

Board Report

25-0626-AR6

Agenda Date: 6/26/2025

APPROVE PAYMENT OF PROPOSED SETTLEMENT REGARDING J.D.

THE GENERAL COUNSEL REPORTS THE FOLLOWING SETTLEMENT:

DESCRIPTION: Subject to Board approval, the Board and Parents of J.D., individually and as next friend of J.D. have reached a proposed settlement, disposing of all J.D. 's Parents' claims for compensatory and other services, placement, attorney's fees and costs associated with the underlying special education due process proceeding, ISBE Case No. 2022-DP-0151. The General Counsel recommends approval of the proposed settlement, which includes compensatory education, fees, and associated costs not to exceed a total of two hundred and fifty thousand dollars and no/100 (\$250,000.00), in return for a full waiver of all J.D.'s parent's claims, including those for attorney's fees and costs.

LSC REVIEW: LSC approval is not applicable to this report.

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION STATUS: None.

FINANCIAL: Budget Classification Fiscal Year 2026 Attorney's Fees:	
Charge \$50,000.00	12470-115-54535-231122-000000
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Budget Classification Fiscal Year 2026 - Fiscal Year 2035 Compensatory Education:	
Charge up to \$190,000.00 total, \$19,000.00 per year over 10 years	12470-115-54535-231122-000000

AUTHORIZATION: Authorize the General Counsel to execute the Settlement Agreement, and all ancillary documents related thereto.

GENERAL CONDITIONS:

Inspector General - Each party to the agreement shall acknowledge that, in accordance with 105 ILCS 5/34-13.1, the Inspector General of the Chicago Board of Education has the authority to conduct certain investigations and that the Inspector General shall have access to all information and personnel necessary to conduct those investigations.

Conflicts - The agreement shall not be legally binding on the Board if entered into in violation of the provisions of 105 ILCS 5/34-21.3 which restricts the employment of or the letting of contracts to, former Board members during the one-year period following expiration or other termination of their terms of office.

Indebtedness - The Board's Indebtedness Policy adopted June 26, 1996 (96-0626-PO3), as amended from time to time shall be incorporated into and made a part of the agreement.

Ethics - The Board's Ethics Code adopted August 24, 2023 (23-0824-PO2), as amended from time to time, shall be incorporated into and made a part of the agreement.

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Contingent Liability - The agreement shall contain the clause that any expenditure beyond the current fiscal year is deemed a contingent liability, subject to appropriation in the subsequent fiscal year budget(s).

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