

**APPROVE THE NAMING OF SOUTHWEST AREA MIDDLE SCHOOL TO IRENE C. HERNANDEZ
MIDDLE SCHOOL FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF THE SCIENCES**

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Approve the naming of the current Southwest Area Middle School located at 3510 W. 55th St., Chicago, IL 60632 to **Irene C. Hernandez Middle School for the Advancement of the Sciences**.

DESCRIPTION: Presently, this new facility is known as Southwest Area Middle School located at 3510 W. 55th St., Chicago, IL 60632. A local school council is not currently in place, therefore, per Section A of the "Naming or Renaming of Schools" policy (Board Report 03-0326-PO04), input was sought from parents and community members by way of a written survey. The survey was distributed to the 6-8th graders of Sandoval and Tonti Elementary Schools and their parents. The students who received the survey all reside within the attendance area of Southwest Area Middle School and will attend the school in the fall of 2009. The Area Instructional Officer recommends the proposed name based on the results of the survey, which are on record within the Chief Education Office.

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION: Not applicable.

LSC REVIEW: Not applicable.

FINANCIAL: No cost to the Board at this time.

Approved for Consideration:



Barbara Eason-Watkins
Chief Education Officer

Approved:



Ron Huberman
Chief Executive Officer

Within Appropriation:



Pedro Martinez
Chief Financial Officer

Approved as to legal form: 



Patrick J. Rocks
General Counsel

