

**APPROVE ENTERING INTO AN AMENDED CHARTER SCHOOL AGREEMENT
WITH KIPP CHICAGO SCHOOLS**

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER RECOMMENDS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Approve entering into an amended Charter School Agreement with KIPP Chicago Schools to incorporate revisions to its Charter School Accountability Plan. A written amended charter school agreement is currently being negotiated. The authority granted herein shall automatically rescind in the event such amended Charter School Agreement is not executed by the Board and the Charter School's governing board within 120 days of the date of this Board Report. The amended Charter School Agreement authorized herein will only take effect upon certification by the Illinois State Board of Education. Information pertinent to this agreement is stated below.

CHARTER SCHOOL: KIPP Chicago Charter School
c/o KIPP Chicago Schools
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Contact Person: Nicole Boardman
Term: July 1, 2012 – June 30, 2017

OVERSIGHT: Office of Innovation and Incubation
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Contact Person: Jack Elsey, Chief Officer

CHARTER AMENDMENT PROPOSAL: The Office of Innovation and Incubation proposes to amend the existing Charter School Agreement with KIPP Chicago Schools to adopt revisions to its Accountability Plan. The elementary school's Accountability Plan for SY 2013-2014, based on data collected during SY 2012-2013, has been revised to align with the new ISAT cut points, similar to the School Performance, Remediation and Probation Policy approved by the Board in April 2013 (13-0424-PO2). The execution of the amended Charter School Agreement will further the goal of uniformity in performance measurement, accountability and other terms and conditions among all Charter Schools.

TERM: The amended Charter School Agreement shall commence on September 1, 2013 and shall end on the date set forth in the Charter School's current agreement.

AUTHORIZATION: Authorize the General Counsel to include relevant terms and conditions in the written amended Charter School Agreement. Authorize the President and Secretary to execute the written amended Charter School Agreement. Authorize the Executive Director of the Office of New Schools and Innovative Models to issue a letter notifying the Illinois State Board of Education of the action(s) approved hereunder and to submit the signed amended Charter School Agreement to the Illinois State Board of Education for certification.

LSC REVIEW: Approval of Local School Councils is not applicable to this report.

FINANCIAL: There are no financial implications with respect to the amended Charter School Agreement. The financial implications of the operation of the Charter School listed herein are addressed in the Board Report specific to that Charter School.

GENERAL CONDITIONS:

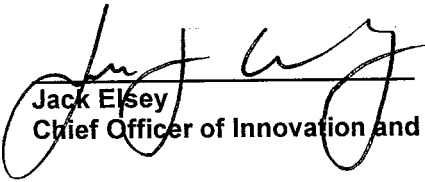
Inspector General - Each party to the agreement shall acknowledge that, in accordance with 105 ILCS 5/34-13.1, the Inspector General of the Board of Education has the authority to conduct certain investigations and that the Inspector General shall have access to all information and personnel necessary 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 May 25, 2011 (11-0525-PO2), as amended from time to time, shall be incorporated into and made a part of the agreement.

Approved for Consideration:




Jack Elsey
Chief Officer of Innovation and Incubation

Approved:



Barbara Byrd-Bennett
Chief Executive Officer

Approved as to Legal Form: 



James Bebley
General Counsel