

January 29, 2026

**RESOLUTION
AUTHORIZE APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS
TO LOCAL SCHOOL COUNCILS TO FILL VACANCIES**

WHEREAS, the Illinois School Code, 105 ILCS 5/34-2.1, authorizes the Board of Education of the City of Chicago ('Board') to appoint the teacher, non-teacher staff, and student members of local school councils (LSC) of regular attendance centers to fill mid-term vacancies after considering the preferences of the schools' staffs or the binding elections of students, as appropriate, for candidates for appointment as ascertained;

WHEREAS, the Governance of Alternative and Small Schools Policy, Board Report 20-0325-PO1 ("Governance Policy"), authorizes the Board to appoint all members of the appointed local school councils (ALSC) and Boards of Governors ("BOG") of alternative schools (including military academy high schools) to fill mid-term vacancies after considering candidates for appointment selected by the following methods through non-binding advisory staff and student polls and the Chief Executive Officer's recommendations of those or other candidates:

Membership Category

Parent
Community
Advocate
Teacher
Non-Teacher Staff Member
JROTC Instructor

Student

Educational Expert

Method of Candidate Selection

Recommendation by serving ALSC/BOG
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Non-binding Advisory Staff Poll
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Non-binding Advisory Staff Poll (military academy high schools only)
Binding student elections in schools with a traditional LSC and in ALSC/BOG schools a Non-Binding Advisory Student Poll or Student Serving as a Cadet Battalion Commander or Senior Cadet (military academy high schools)
Recommendation by ALCS/BOG

WHEREAS, the established methods of selection of candidates for Board appointment to fill mid-term vacancies on local school councils, appointed local school councils, and/or boards of governors were employed at the schools identified on the attached Exhibit A, and the candidates selected thereby and any other candidates recommended by the Chief Executive Officer have been submitted to the Board for consideration for appointment.

WHEREAS, the Illinois School Code and the Governance Policy authorize the Board to exercise

The individuals identified on the attached Exhibit A are hereby appointed to serve in the specified categories on the local school councils, appointed local school councils, and/or boards of governors of the identified schools for the remainder of the current term of their respective offices. absolute discretion in the appointment process except for student appointments of traditional LSCs where the student election is binding;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE CITY OF CHICAGO:

2. This Resolution shall be effective immediately upon adoption.

Exhibit A

NEW APPOINTED LSC MEMBERS

TEACHER

Melinda Mahr
Kimberly Denard
Kierra Thomas
Wilma Rodriguez
Raul Mercado
Sarah Brinegar
Eileen Dziedzic
Georgetta Spencer

NON-TEACHER

Palomares Grecia
Belinda Green
Raul Mercado

REPLACING

Vacancy
Jaclyn Neal
Vacancy
Lyndsay Whitfield
Boris Negron
Delena Youngblood
Dan Jeske
Jefferey Blackwell

REPLACING

Vacancy
Sharon Mason
Boris Negron

SCHOOL

FARRAGUT HS
WOODSON
GREGORY
DE DIEGO
DE DIEGO
WOODSON
AMUNDSEN HS
SPENCER

SCHOOL

BUDLONG
MAYS
DE DIEGO