REPORT OF THE RESULTS OF THE BOARD'S REVIEW OF THE FINDINGS OF FACT AND RECOMMENDATION OF THE HEARING OFFICER REGARDING THE CHARGES PREFERRED AGAINST ERIN SHAMBERGER, A TENURED TEACHER ASSIGNED TO PICCOLO SPECIALTY SCHOOL

TO THE CHICAGO BOARD OF EDUCATION:

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER RECOMMENDS THE FOLLOWING ACTION:

That the results of the Board's review of findings of fact and recommendation of the Hearing Officer regarding the charges preferred against Erin Shamberger be reported.

DESCRIPTION:

Pursuant to Section 34-85 of the Illinois School Code, 105 ILCS 5/34-85, a tenured teacher is entitled to a hearing before an impartial hearing officer appointed by the Illinois State Board of Education. The hearing officer shall report to the Chief Executive Officer findings of fact and a recommendation as to whether or not the teacher shall be dismissed from the Chicago Board of Education, after receiving the hearing officer's findings of fact and recommendation, shall make a decision as to whether the teacher shall be dismissed from its employ.

On July 27, 2006, James Rapp, a hearing officer appointed by the Illinois State Board of Education, issued his written report and decision recommending that if the Board rejected its February 23, 2005 Opinion and Order, then the Board should reinstate Erin Shamberger or, in the alternative, if the Board affirmed its February 23, 2005 Opinion and Order that there were no procedural violations, then the Board should dismiss Erin Shamberger for her failure to satisfactorily complete the remediation plan. Thereafter, the members of the Chicago Board of Education reviewed the transcript of the proceedings, including exhibits and positions of the parties, along with the July 27, 2006 report and recommendation of the hearing officer, and determined that it would dismiss/retain. Erin Shamberger as a teacher for Chicago Board of Education. The Board will issue an Opinion and Order that details its analysis and findings.

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LSC REVIEW:

LSC Review is not applicable to this Report.

AFFIRMATIVE

ACTION STATUS:

None

FINANCIAL:

None

PERSONNEL

IMPLICATIONS:

None

Respectfully submitted,

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Approved as to legal form:

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