CONSOLIDATE SCHILLER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL INTO JENNER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL AND ADJUST THE ATTENDANCE AREA FOR JENNER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER RECOMMENDS:

That effective June 30, 2009, the Chicago Board of Education consolidate Schiller Elementary School (unit 5760, school ID 610162) ("Schiller"), located at 640 West Scott Street, into Jenner Elementary School (unit 4200, school ID 610012) ("Jenner"), located at 1119 North Cleveland Avenue and adjust Jenner's attendance area. Students currently attending Schiller and not expected to graduate at the end of the current school year will be transferred to Jenner.

DESCRIPTION:

Pursuant to the Board of Education's Policy on the Consolidation of Schools, 05-1221-PO1 ("the Policy"), and following a public hearing, the Chief Executive Officer of the Chicago Public Schools ("CEO") may recommend to the Board the consolidation of schools for any of the reasons for such action stated in the Policy.

Pursuant to the Policy, a public hearing was convened on February 2, 2009 following the issuance of proper notice to receive public comment on the CEO's proposal to consolidate Schiller into Jenner and to adjust the attendance area of Jenner due to the underutilization of Schiller. An independent hearing officer received comments and supporting documents at the hearing and kept the record open after the hearing to receive additional written comments or documentation. Transcripts of the public hearing have been provided to the Board. The hearing officer prepared a report including findings regarding the CEO's proposal in which the hearing officer recommended that the Board consolidate Schiller into Jenner and reassign Schiller's attendance area to Jenner. After receiving the hearing officer's report, the CEO determined to proceed with the recommendation that the Board consolidate Schiller into Jenner effective June 30, 2009 and reassign Schiller's attendance area to Jenner as described below. In making that recommendation, the CEO considered the availability of space at Jenner, which is in close proximity to Schiller.

Adjust Attendance Area Boundaries for Jenner Elementary School (Unit 4200, School ID 610012)

Effective July 1, 2009, Grades kindergarten through eighth:

Beginning at the north branch of the Chicago River and North Av East to Halsted St
South to Evergreen Av
East and North to Clybourn Av
Southeast to Division St
East to Orleans St
South to Walton St
East to Franklin
South to Chicago
West to the north branch of the Chicago River
North to the starting point

FINANCIAL: No additional cost to the Chicago Public Schools

LSC IMPLICATIONS: Pursuant to the School Consolidation Policy, Schiller's Local School Council will be dissolved June 30, 2009 upon the consolidation of Schiller and Jenner.

PERSONNEL IMPLICATIONS: These schools will be staffed according to the ratios in the Agreement between the Board of Education of the City of Chicago and the Chicago Teachers Union.

Approved for Consideration:

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Barbara Eason-Watkins Chief Education Officer Ron Huberman Chief Executive Officer

Within Appropriation:

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