AMEND BOARD REPORT 10-0526-EX7 APPROVE ENTERING INTO AMENDED AND RESTATED CHARTER SCHOOL AGREEMENTS WITH VARIOUS CHARTER SCHOOLS

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER RECOMMENDS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Approve entering into amended and restated Charter School Agreements with the charter schools listed herein to incorporate revisions to the Charter School Agreement and Accountability Plan. Written amended and restated charter school agreements are currently being negotiated. The authority granted herein shall automatically rescind as to each Charter School in the event their amended and restated 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 agreements authorized herein will only take effect upon certification by the Illinois State Board of Education. Information pertinent to these agreements is stated below.

This October 2010 amendment is necessary to authorize the amendment and restatement of Charter School Agreements for any charter school identified below that requests a material modification to their existing agreement. The authority granted herein shall automatically rescind as to each Charter School in the event their amended and restated Charter School Agreement is not executed by the Board and the charter school's governing board within the time identified in the amended Board Reports specific to each charter school. The agreements authorized herein will only take effect upon certification by the Illinois State Board of Education. Information pertinent to these agreements is stated below.

CHARTER SCHOOLS:

 Amandla Charter School 6800 S. Stewart Avenue Chicago, IL 60621 Phone: (773) 396-8022

Contact: Erin Ferguson, Principal

- 3. ASPIRA Charter School c/o ASPIRA Inc. of Illinois 2415 N. Milwaukee Avenue Chicago, IL 60647 Phone: (773) 252-0970 Contact Person: Jose Rodriguez
- Bronzeville Lighthouse Charter School 8 West Root Street Chicago, IL 60651 Phone: (508) 626-0901 Contact Person: Mark Culliton
- 7. Chicago Math and Science Academy Charter School 7212 N. Clark Chicago, IL 60626 Phone: (773) 761-8960 Contact Person: Ali Yilmaz, Principal
- Henry Ford Academies of Illinois, NFP 931 S. Homan Avenue Chicago, IL 60624 Phone: (312) 558-1690 Contact: Kathryn M. Vanden Berk

- Architecture, Construction and Engineering Technical Charter School 5410 S. State Street Chicago, IL 60609 Phone: (773) 548-8705 Contact Person: Geri Harston, Executive
- Betty Shabazz International Charter School 7823 S. Ellis Chicago, IL 60616 Phone: (773) 651-1221 Contact Person: Dr. Elaine Mosley, Head of School

Director

- Catalyst Charter School Howland 1616 S. Spaulding Chicago, IL 60623 Phone: (312) 787-2870 Contact Person: Michael Fehrenbach
- 8. Chicago Virtual Charter School 38 S. Peoria Chicago, IL 60607 Phone: (406) 599-0769 Contact Person: Peter Stewart
- 10. KIPP Ascend Charter School
 715 S. Kildare Avenue
 Chicago, IL 60624
 Phone: (773) 533-1770
 Contact Person: Jim O'Connor, Founding
 School Leader

11. Namaste Charter School 3737 S. Paulina Avenue Chicago, IL 60609 Phone: (773) 715-9558

Contact Person, Allison Slade, Principal

13. Passages Charter School

Charter Holder: Asian Human Services

4753 N. Broadway Chicago IL 60640 Phone: (773) 728-2235

Contact Person: Abha Pandya, CEO of AHS

15. Polaris Charter Academy

620 N. Sawyer Chicago, IL 60624 Phone: (708) 660-0301

Contact Person: Michelle Navarro, Principal

17. The University of Chicago Charter School Corporation c/o Center for Urban School

Improvement 1313 E. 60th Street Chicago, IL 60637 Phone: (773) 702-0663

Contact Person: Linda Wing, Deputy Director

19. Youth Connection Charter School

10 W. 35th Street Chicago, IL 60616 Phone: (312) 328-0799

Contact Person: Sheila Venson, Executive

Director

21. LEARN Charter School 1132 S. Homan Avenue

Chicago, IL 60624 Phone: (773) 826-6330

Contact Person: Courtney Francis

23. UNO Charter School

954 West Washington Boulevard

Chicago, IL 60607 Phone: (312) 432-6301

Contact Person: Juan Rangel, President

OVERSIGHT: Office of New Schools

125 S. Clark Street, 5th Floor Chicago, IL 60603

Chicago, IL 60603 773-553-1530

Contact Person: Jaime Guzman J. Terence Patterson, Acting Executive Officer

CHARTER AMENDMENT PROPOSAL: The Office of New Schools proposes to amend the existing Charter School Agreements for the aforementioned charter schools to adopt revisions to the Charter School Agreement and Accountability Plan. The Charter School Accountability Plan has been revised to align with the Board's standards for evaluation of student performance. The execution of amended and

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Perspectives Charter School
 LaSalle Street, Suite 700

Chicago, IL 60605 Phone: (312) 604-2123

Contact Person: Rhonda Hopps, CEO

16. Providence-Englewood Charter School

6515 S. Ashland Chicago, IL 60636 Phone: (773) 722-4600 Contact Person: Paul Adams

18. Urban Prep Academies Inc. 420 N. Wabash, Suite 203

Chicago, IL 60611 Phone: (312) 276-0259

Contact Person: Tim King, Founder and

CEO

20. Chicago Charter School Foundation

228 S. Wabash, Suite 500 Chicago, IL 60604 Phone: (312) 651-5000

Contact Person: Dr. Elizabeth Purvis,

Director

22. Alain Locke Charter Academy Charter

School

3141 W. Jackson Chicago, IL 60612 Phone: (773) 265-7230

Contact Person: Lennie Jones, Principal

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restated Charter School Agreements will further the goal of uniformity in performance measurement, accountability and other terms and conditions among all Charter Schools. A public hearing on the proposed changes was held on Thursday, May 13, 2010. The hearing was recorded and a summary report is available for review.

RENEWAL TERM: Each amended and reinstated agreement shall commence on July 1, 2010 the date that the agreement is signed and shall end on the date set forth in the each Charter School's current agreement.

AUTHORIZATION: Authorize the General Counsel to include relevant terms and conditions, including any indemnities to be provided to the charter school, in the written amended and restated Charter School Agreements which shall reflect resolution of any and all outstanding issues between the Board and the governing body of the charter school including, but not limited to: site location, enrollment, funding, educational program, financial controls and practices, academic accountability and evaluations. Authorize the President and Secretary to execute the amended and restated Charter School Agreements. Authorize the Executive Officer of the Office of New Schools to issue a letter notifying the Illinois State Board of Education of the action(s) approved hereunder and to submit the approved proposal and signed Charter School Agreement to the Illinois State Board of Education for certification. Authorize the General Counsel to further negotiate and execute any amendments to the Agreement required by the State Board.

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

FINANCIAL: There are no financial implications with respect to the amended and restated Charter School Agreements. The financial implications of the operation of the charter schools listed herein are addressed in the Board Reports specific to each 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 June 23, 2004 (04-0623-PO4), as amended from time to time, shall be incorporated into and made a part of the agreement.

Approved for Consideration:

J. Terence Patterson
Acting Executive Officer, Office of New Schools

Within Appropriation:

Chief Financial Officer

Respectfully submitted:

Ron Huberna

Ron Huberman

Chief Executive Officer

Approved as to Legal Form:

General Counsel