CLOSE LYMAN TRUMBULL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL AND ADJUST THE ATTENDANCE AREAS OF ELIZA CHAPPELL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, JAMES B. MCPHERSON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, JOHN T. MCCUTCHEON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, AND HELEN PEIRCE INTERNATIONAL STUDIES ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER RECOMMENDS:

That effective June 30, 2013, the Chicago Board of Education close Lyman Trumbull Elementary School (School ID 610205) ("Trumbull"), located at 5200 North Ashland Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, for space utilization reasons, reassign returning Trumbull students to Eliza Chappell Elementary School (School ID 609852) ("Chappell"), located at 2135 West Foster Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, James B. McPherson Elementary School (School ID 610070) ("McPherson"), located at 4728 North Wolcott Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, and John T. McCutcheon Elementary School (School ID 610269) ("McCutcheon"), located at 4865 North Sheridan Road, Chicago, Illinois, and that the attendance areas of Chappell, McPherson, McCutcheon, and Helen Peirce International Studies Elementary School (School ID 610122) ("Peirce"), located at 1423 West Bryn Mawr Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, be adjusted to include the Trumbull attendance area.

DESCRIPTION:

Pursuant to the Illinois School Code Sections 34-200 through 34-232, the Chief Executive Officer's Guidelines for School Actions, and the Board of Education's Policy on the Review and Establishment of School Attendance Boundaries, 05-0622-PO1, the Chief Executive Officer ("CEO") of the Chicago Public Schools may recommend the closing of schools and the adjustment of school attendance boundaries.

Pursuant to legal requirements, two community meetings were convened on April 9, 2013, and April 12, 2013, at Amundsen High School, located at 5110 North Damen Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, and a public hearing was convened on April 26, 2013, at 125 South Clark Street, Chicago, Illinois, following the issuance of proper notice. An independent hearing officer received oral and written comments and supporting documents at the hearing and kept the record open after the meeting to receive additional written comments or documentation. A transcript of the hearing and summaries of the community meetings have been provided to the Board. The hearing officer reported that the CEO's proposal met the requirements of the law and summarized comments and written documentation received. After receiving the hearing officer's report, the CEO has decided to recommend that the Board close Trumbull effective June 30, 2013, reassign Trumbull's returning students to Chappell, McPherson, and McCutcheon, and assign Trumbull's attendance area to Chappell, McPherson, McCutcheon, and Peirce.

Further, pursuant to the Board of Education's Policy on the Review and Establishment of School Attendance Boundaries, 05-0622-PO1, an additional public hearing was held to discuss the attendance area boundary change. The public hearing was held on May 15, 2013 at Peirce Elementary School, located at 1423 West Bryn Mawr Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

Adjust Attendance Area Boundary of Eliza Chappell Elementary School (School ID 609852)

2135 West Foster Avenue, Chicago, Illinois Effective June 30, 2013, for grades Kindergarten through eighth;

Beginning at Western Ave and Berwyn Ave
East to Bowmanville Ave
Northeast to Damen Ave
South to Balmoral Ave
East to Ravenswood Ave
North to Rascher Ave
East to Ashland Ave

South to Foster Ave
West to the C&NW RR (at Ravenswood Ave)
South to Winona St
West to Damen Ave
South to Argyle St
West to Hamilton Ave
South to Ainslie St
West to Western Ave
North to the starting point

Adjust Attendance Area Boundary of James B. McPherson Elementary School (School ID 610070)

4728 North Wolcott Avenue, Chicago, Illinois Effective June 30, 2013, for grades Kindergarten through eighth;

Begining at Western Ave and Ainslie St East to Hamilton Ave North to Argyle St East to Damen Ave North to Winona St East to the C&NW RR (at Ravenswood Ave) North to Foster Ave East to Clark St South to Leland Ave West to Hermitage Ave South to Wilson Ave West to Ravenswood Ave South to Montrose Ave West to Lincoln Ave Northwest to Sunnyside Ave East to Leavitt St North to Eastwood Ave West to Lincoln Ave Northwest to Lawrence Ave West to Western Ave

Adjust Attendance Area Boundary of John T. McCutcheon Elementary School (School ID 610269)

4865 North Sheridan Road, Chicago, Illinois Effective June 30, 2013, for grades Kindergarten through eighth;

Beginning at Foster Ave and Clark St
East to Broadway
South to Ainslie St
East to Kenmore Ave
North to Argyle St
East to Sheridan Rd
North to Carmen Ave
East to Marine Dr
North to Foster Ave
East to the lakefront
South to Lawrence Ave (extended)
West to Clark St
North to the starting point

North to the starting point

Adjust Attendance Area Boundary of Helen Peirce International Studies Elementary School

(School ID 610122)

East to Ravenswood Ave North to the starting point

1423 West Bryn Mawr Avenue, Chicago, Illinois Effective June 30, 2013, for grades Kindergarten through eighth;

Beginning at Ravenswood Ave and Peterson Ave East to Ridge Ave Southeast to Clark St North to Granville Ave East to Broadway South to Elmdale Ave West to Glenwood Ave South Early Ave Southeast to Magnolia Ave South to Ridge Ave Southeast to Broadway South to Foster Ave West to Ashland Ave North to Rascher Ave West to Ravenswood Ave South to Balmoral Ave West to Damen Ave Nort to Bryn Mawr Ave

LSC IMPLICATIONS: Trumbull's Local School Council will be dissolved effective June 30, 2013, upon the closing of Trumbull.

FINANCIAL: The financial implications associated with this school action will be addressed during the development of the fiscal year 2014 budget. Since the School Code of Illinois prohibits the incurring of any liability unless an appropriation has been previously made, expenditures beyond FY13 are deemed to be contingent liabilities only, subject to appropriation in subsequent fiscal year budgets.

PERSONNEL IMPLICATIONS: The employment status of all faculty and staff members currently assigned to the schools affected by this authorization will be determined pursuant to Board policies and any collective bargaining agreements.

Approved for Consideration:

Respectfully Submitted:

Torid Babbitz
Chief Transformation Officer

Barbara Byrd-Bennett
Chief Executive Officer

Approved as to Legal Form:

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