

**AMEND BOARD REPORT 06-0222-EX14**  
**APPROVE THE RENEWAL OF THE CHARTER SCHOOL AGREEMENT WITH**  
**L.E.A.R.N. CHARTER SCHOOL**

**THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER RECOMMENDS THE FOLLOWING:**

Approve the renewal of the Charter School Agreement with L.E.A.R.N Charter School for an additional five-year period. A new Charter School Agreement applicable to this renewal term will be negotiated. The authority granted herein shall automatically rescind in the event a written 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 agreement authorized herein will only take effect upon certification by the Illinois State Board of Education. Information pertinent to this renewal is stated below.

This December 2006 amendment is necessary to correct the date of the renewal term for the Charter School Agreement.

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**ORIGINAL AGREEMENT:** The original Charter School Agreement (authorized by Board Report 01-0627-FX7) is for a term commencing July 15, 2001, and ending June 30, July 15, 2006. The agreement

authorizes the operation of a single facility charter school with enrollment not to exceed 400 students in grades Kindergarten through eighth. The Agreement incorporates an accountability plan whereby the school is evaluated by the Board each year based on numerous factors related to its academic, financial, and operational performance.

**CHARTER RENEWAL PROPOSAL:** L.E.A.R.N. submitted a renewal proposal on November 22, 2005, to

Secretary to execute the Charter School Agreement. Authorize the Executive Director of the Department of New School Support Office of New Schools to issue a letter notifying the Illinois State Board of Education of the action ~~to be approved by the board and to submit the approved proposal and agreement~~

Charter School Agreement to the Illinois State Board of Education for certification.

~~ISC REVIEW: Approval of Local School Councils is not applicable to this report~~