

**AMEND BOARD REPORT 11-0223-EX2
APPROVE THE GRANTING OF A CHARTER AND ENTERING INTO A CHARTER SCHOOL
AGREEMENT WITH THE MONTESSORI NETWORK, INC., AN ILLINOIS NOT FOR PROFIT
CORPORATION**

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER RECOMMENDS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Approve the granting of a charter and entering into a Charter School Agreement with The Montessori Network Inc. for a five-year period. This approval is contingent upon final approval from the Board's

excellence and cultivating personal commitment to a peaceful and sustainable global community. The Montessori classroom maximizes the development and capabilities of the individual student through a combination of instructional strategies: developmentally based hands on materials and instructional

methods, multi-sensory education, project-based learning, Socratic dialogue, individualized instruction, student choice, social justice education, a focus on relationships, and culturally responsive teaching. The Montessori School will ignite the minds and illuminate the hearts of its students. The school is slated to open in the fall of 2012 serving 90 students in grades K-1. At capacity, the school will serve 300 students in grades K-5. The school will be located at 7022 S. Heron/6550 S. Cooley. Public hearings on charter

school submissions submitted in 2010, as required by statute, were held on December 13, 2010, January 18, 2011, and February 17, 2011.

In March 2010, the CEO recommended to the Board that the CPS facility at 6550 South Cooley be

does not receive funding from Renaissance Schools Fund, the Board shall provide a one-time payment to the school for planning positions in an amount not to exceed \$170,000.00.

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.

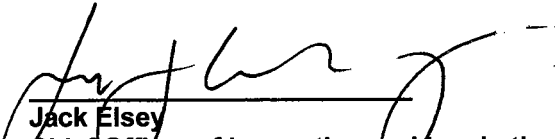
Conflicts - The agreement shall not be legally binding on the Board if entered into in violation of the Provisions of 105 ILCS 5/34-21.3, which restricts the employment of, or the letting of contracts to, former Board members during the one-year period following expiration or other termination of their terms of office.

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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:



Jack Elsey
Chief Officer of Innovation and Development

Approved:



Barbara Byrd-Bennett
Chief Executive Officer



James Bebley
General Counsel