CLOSE BEST PRACTICE HIGH SCHOOL

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER RECOMMENDS:

That effective June 30, 2012, the Chicago Board of Education close Best Practice High School (School ID 610370) ("BPHS"), located at 2040 West Adams Street, for reasons associated with the Board's prior phase-out authorization (09-0225-EX34). There are no students currently attending BPHS.

DESCRIPTION:
Pursuant to Public Act 097-0474 ("Public Act") and the Chief Executive Officer's Guidelines for School Actions, the Chief Executive Officer ("CEO") of the Chicago Public Schools may recommend to the Board the closing of schools.
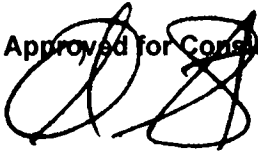
Pursuant to the Public Act's requirements, two community meetings were convened on January 6, 2012 and January 20, 2012 at Cregier/Noble Street-Bulls High School, located at 2040 West Adams Street, Chicago, Illinois, and a public hearing was convened on January 25, 2012, in Room 1550, located at 125 South Clark Street, 15th floor, 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 public hearing and summaries of the meetings have been provided to the Board. The hearing officer reported that the CEO's proposal met the requirements of the Public Act and summarized comments and written documentation received.

After receiving the hearing officer's report, the CEO has decided to recommend that the Board close BPHS effective June 30, 2012.

LSC IMPLICATIONS: BPHS's Local School Council will be dissolved effective June 30, 2012 upon the closing of BPHS.
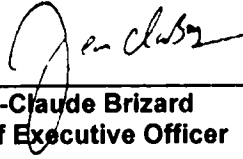
PERSONNEL IMPLICATIONS: None, given no staff are currently assigned to BPHS.

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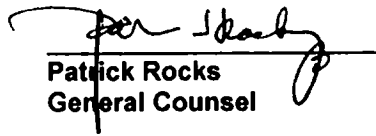
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