APPROVE SETTLEMENT RECOMMENDATION IN KATHALEEN COOLEY (CASE NO. 09-2109)

THE GENERAL COUNSEL REPORTS THE FOLLOWING SETTLEMENT:

DESCRIPTION: Law Department attorneys have tentatively reached a settlement, subject to Board approval, in connection with a federal lawsuit filed by former probationary teacher, Kathaleen Cooley disposing of all Cooley's claims, attorneys' fees and costs associated with the underlying lawsuit. The General Counsel recommends approval of the settlement, which calls for the payment of TWO HUNDRED THIRTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$230,000.00) for all of Kathaleen Cooley's claims, including attorneys' fees and costs.

LSC REVIEW: LSC approval is not applicable to this report.

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION STATUS: Affirmative Action review is not applicable to this report.

FINANCIAL: Charge \$230,000.00 to Law Department

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AUTHORIZATION: Authorize the General Counsel to execute the Settlement Agreement, and all ancillary documents related thereto.

GENERAL CONDITIONS:

Inspector General - Each party to the agreement shall acknowledge, in accordance with 105 ILCS 5/24-13.1, the Inspector General of the Chicago 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 restrict 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 July 26, 1995 (95-0726-EX3), as amended from time to time, is hereby 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, is hereby incorporated in to and made a part of the agreement.

Contingent Liability - The agreement shall contain the clause that any expenditure beyond the current fiscal year is deemed a contingent liability, subject to appropriation in the subsequent fiscal year budget(s).

Approved.

JAMES L. BEBLEY

General Counsel