

December 15, 2021

**PERMANENT DEBARMENT OF DAVID SHEATS**

**THE CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING RECOMMENDATION:**

That the Board of Education of the City of Chicago ("Board") permanently debar David Sheats ("Respondent") from doing any business with the Board.

The Board's Chief Procurement Officer served Respondent with a Notice of Proposed Debarment on September 23, 2021, initiating debarment proceedings against Respondent based on Section 2(b) and (k) of the Board's Debarment Policy and CPS's Comprehensive Non-Discrimination Title IX and Sexual Harassment Policy in effect at the relevant time, for Respondent's criminal sexual conduct with minor CPS students. Specifically, Respondent has been indicted on multiple counts of predatory criminal sexual assault of a child and aggravated criminal sexual abuse. Respondent failed to submit a written response to the Notice as required by Section 4(d) of the Board's Debarment Policy. As such, all allegations in the Notice are deemed admitted. See Debarment Policy, §4(d). The Chief Operating Officer has reviewed the record (as defined in Section 4.5(10) of the Debarment Policy), including OIG Investigative Report No. 18-01523, and recommends permanent debarment.

Based on the facts set forth in the record as defined in Section 4.5(10) of the Board's Debarment Policy, the Chief Operating Officer recommends that the Board permanently debar Respondent from doing any business with the Board effective immediately. All existing contracts between the Board and Respondent are terminated. Respondent is ineligible to act as a subcontractor or supplier to any existing or future Board contracts.

The Board adopts and approves the recommendation of the Chief Operating Officer.

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

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

**FINANCIAL:** None.

**GENERAL CONDITIONS:** None.

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