

**AMEND BOARD REPORT 01-1219-EX2
APPROVE THE RENEWAL OF THE CHARTER SCHOOL AGREEMENT WITH
CHICAGO CHARTER SCHOOL FOUNDATION (CHICAGO INTERNATIONAL CHARTER SCHOOL)
THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER RECOMMENDS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:**

Approve the renewal of the Charter School Agreement with Chicago Charter School Foundation (CCSF) for an additional 5-year period. A new Charter School Agreement applicable to this renewal term is currently being negotiated. The authority granted herein shall automatically rescind in the event a written Charter School Agreement is not executed by the Board and the CCSF governing board within 120 days of the date of this Report. The renewal 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 Board Report is necessary to amend the Chicago Charter School Foundation's Charter School Agreement to (a) permit the school to add a Pre-K program and (b) authorize the funding of the Pre-K program. A written amendment to the Charter School Agreement is required. The authority granted herein shall automatically rescind in the event a written amendment is not executed by the Board and the CCSF governing board within 120 days of the date of this Report. The amended agreement authorized

Charter School Foundation submitted a Material Modifications proposal on February 17, 2004, to request an amendment to their Charter School Agreement that would allow for the addition of Pre-K and the Board agrees to the addition of the Pre-K program.


CHARTER EVALUATION: The Charter Schools Office Review Committee ("Committee") has reviewed and evaluated CCSF's renewal proposal as well as the school's past academic, financial and operational performance. During the last school year, Chicago International has met the academic, financial and operational accountability requirements that are measured by the Board under the original agreement. ~~The Committee has determined, based on these accountability criteria, that Chicago International Charter~~

Approved:



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Respectfully submitted:



Arne Duncan
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Within Appropriation:



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