

**APPROVE THE GRANTING OF A CHARTER AND ENTERING INTO A CHARTER SCHOOL AGREEMENT****WITH THE ERIE ELEMENTARY CHARTER SCHOOL****THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:**

Approve the granting of a charter and entering into a Charter School Agreement with the Erie Elementary Charter School for a five year period. The Charter School Agreement 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 charter school's governing board within 120 days of the date of this Board Report. The agreement authorized herein will only take effect upon certification by the Illinois State Board of Education. Information pertinent to this agreement is stated below.

**CHARTER SCHOOL:** Erie Elementary Charter School  
2510 West Cortez Street  
Chicago, IL 60622  
Phone: 312-563-5813  
Contact Person: Ricardo Estrada, Executive Director

**OVERSIGHT:** Charter Schools Office  
125 S. Clark, 5th Floor  
Chicago, IL 60603  
Phone: (773) 553-1535  
Contact Person: Corita C. Robinson, Director

Secretary to execute the Charter School Agreement. Authorize the Director of Charter Schools to issue a letter notifying the Illinois State Board of Education of the actions approved hereunder and to submit the approved proposal and signed Charter School Agreement to the Illinois State Board of Education for certification. Authorize

State Board of Education.

**FINANCIAL:** The financial implications will be addressed during the development of the 2005-2006 fiscal year budget. Since the School Code of Illinois prohibits the incurring of any liability unless an appropriation has been