

AMEND BOARD REPORT 07-0124-P01

POLICY ESTABLISHING THE FORMAL GOVERNANCE STRUCTURE

FOR THE CHICAGO PUBLIC SCHOOLS' HEAD START PROGRAM

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER RECOMMENDS THE FOLLOWING:

That the Chicago Board of Education amend the Policy Establishing the Formal Governance Structure for the Chicago Public Schools' Head Start Program.

Introduction

The Chicago Public Schools ("CPS") works with parents and community members to implement a high quality Head Start program ("the program"). The Chicago Department of Children and Youth Services ("CDCYS") receives Head Start and Early Head Start grant funds ("Head Start funds") from the United

consultants, providing expert assistance to the committee as requested. Additionally, the Head Start Management staff shall provide members of the PC with training regarding

such areas as budget and program planning and applying for program funding.

C. Policy Committee

effectively govern the program. PC delegates parent and community representatives are

At-large delegates - Community representatives may serve as PC

members for no more than three years based on the following guidelines:

a. Terms shall start on the 1st of October

b. three years of service as a PC at-large delegates community representative may be served successively or intermittently.

3. The Board member representative shall serve as a PC member until such time as the Board appoints a new Board member representative to

serve on the PC. If the Board member representative is not able to

- b. nominees must provide to the PC relevant information regarding their background and interests, unless the nominee is ~~a former PC at large delegate community representative~~

- e. present and former PC parent representatives ~~delegates~~ who wish to be considered for positions as a PC at-large delegates community representative must present their qualifications to the PC, and

3. d. Board Member Representative

The presence of a Board member representative on the PC facilitates ~~open communication between the PC and the Board~~. A member of the

Chicago Board of Education who shall be appointed annually by other

- g) employee-management relation procedures, including employee grievance and adverse actions that are consistent with

collective bargaining agreements, state employment laws, and

teacher certification requirements.

The PC shall be involved in program employment practices to the extent appropriate given its
per management function. The PC shall participate directly in the employment process for lead

- 8. evaluating the effectiveness of program staff;
~~9. providing recommendations regarding the hiring and termination of program staff.~~

- 10. providing expertise as consultants to the PC upon request;
- 11. reporting to the Board and the Chicago Department of Human Children and Youth Services on a regular basis regarding all aspects of the program's operations as well as the effectiveness and progress of the program in meeting

- 12. its goals and objectives;
- 12. reporting to the Board annually regarding long and short-term program planning, community assessments of the program and the results of the program's self-assessment;
- 12. ~~monitoring the program to ensure that it operates in compliance with all~~