

AMEND BOARD REPORT 08-1022-EX7
AMEND BOARD REPORT 07-1024-EX15
APPROVE THE ESTABLISHMENT OF PLATO LEARNING ACADEMY AND ENTERING INTO A
SCHOOL MANAGEMENT AND PERFORMANCE AGREEMENT WITH AMERICAN QUALITY

SCHOOLS IN ILLINOIS NOT FOR PROFIT CORPORATION

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER RECOMMENDS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Approve the establishment of the Plato Learning Academy at a location to be determined and approve

available for review. A public hearing was held on November 9, 2009 at Board Chambers. The hearing was recorded and a summary report is available for review.

Request for Proposals: In April 2007, the Office of New Schools issued a Request for Proposals to solicit responses from invited parties who currently operate new schools under the Renaissance 2010 Initiative.

Invited Request for Proposals. Proposals were evaluated pursuant to the standards set forth in the Renaissance Policy. Proposals were reviewed by the Office of New Schools and a Comprehensive

not limited to, those related to the acquisition of a facility. These benchmarks will be communicated to the school operator with all deadlines to be met by April 15, 2008. The Office of New Schools will oversee the enforcement of these deadlines; failure to meet these deadlines, at the option of the Board, may result in the rescission of the authority granted herein and the denial of the contract school application. A final review of the contract school application will be conducted by the Chief Executive Officer on or before May 15, 2008. This final review will be conducted to determine compliance with the terms indicated above. The CEO's recommendation to approve the contract school application will be subject to Board

approval as indicated by a subsequent amendment to this Board Report.

TERM: Upon final review of this contract school application and approval of the proposed site for the school, the term of the School Management and Performance Agreement shall commence July 1, 2008 and end June 30, 2013. American Quality Schools and Plato Learning Academy's designation as a Renaissance Contract School will expire on June 30, 2013 unless renewed or terminated, whichever

Approved:

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Within Appropriation

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