

**AMEND BOARD REPORT 07-0228-EX4**

**AMEND BOARD REPORT 05-1116-EX17**

**APPROVE THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE CATALYST ELEMENTARY SCHOOL – CIRCLE ROCK  
AND APPROVE ENTERING INTO A SCHOOL MANAGEMENT & PERFORMANCE AGREEMENT  
WITH CATALYST SCHOOLS, AN ILLINOIS NOT FOR PROFIT CORPORATION**

**THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER RECOMMENDS THE FOLLOWING:**

That the Board approve the establishment of the Catalyst Elementary School – Circle Rock located at  
5600 5608 West Washington, Chicago, IL 60644, and approve entering into a School Management &

Performance Agreement with Catalyst Schools, an Illinois not for profit corporation, for the operation of  
the Catalyst Elementary School – Circle Rock. The School Management & Performance Agreement is  
currently being negotiated. The authority granted herein shall automatically rescind in the event a written  
School Management & Performance Agreement is not executed by the Board and Catalyst Schools within  
120 days of the date of this amended Board Report. Information pertinent to this agreement is stated  
below.

Request for Proposals: In May 2005, the Department of New Schools Development issued a request for proposals to solicit responses from parties interested in starting a new school in the District of Columbia. 2010

initiative. Proposals to operate either a charter, contract or performance school were submitted to the Board on August 10, 2005. Proposals were evaluated pursuant to the standards set forth in the

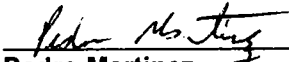
**PERSONNEL IMPLICATIONS:** Catalyst Schools will employ all teachers and staff necessary to operate Catalyst Elementary School.

**Approved for Consideration:**



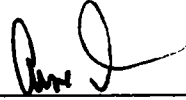
Barbara Eason-Watkins  
Chief Education Officer

**Within Appropriation:**



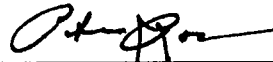
Pedro Martinez  
Chief Financial Officer

**Approved:**



Arne Duncan  
Chief Executive Officer

**Approved as to Legal Form**



Patrick Rocks  
General Counsel