

APPROVE THE ESTABLISHMENT OF ROWE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL; RATIFY ENTERING INTO A SCHOOL MANAGEMENT AND PERFORMANCE AGREEMENT WITH NORTHWESTERN

UNIVERSITY ELEMENTARY ASSOCIATION, AN UNINCORPORATED NOT-FOR-PROFIT CORPORATION

AND APPROVE ENTERING INTO A SCHOOL FOOD SERVICE AGREEMENT

WHEREFORE THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS RECOMMENDS THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTIONS:

Enrollment: Rowe Elementary School will enroll students through a city-wide lottery. Rowe Elementary School will enroll approximately 160 students in grades K through 2 in the 2009-10 school year. In subsequent years the school may serve up to 600 students in grades K through 8.

Curriculum: Rowe Elementary School aims to provide a K-8 education based on an extended day model with a rigorous focus on early literacy and mathematics. Core Knowledge curriculum sequence will be used to build students cultural literacy, and support subject-area development with research-based curricula, differentiated instructional strategies, and after-school tutoring. It is a spiraling sequence of

literacy. Cultural literacy is vital to college success, and Core Knowledge supports Rowe Elementary's mission of preparing students to be successful in college. Core Knowledge is fully aligned with the Illinois Learning Standards.

Advisory Body: A school advisory body will be established in a timely manner pursuant to 105 ILCS

Management and Performance Agreement and authorize the Chief Operating Officer to execute the School Food Service Agreement.

LSC REVIEW: Approval of Local School Council is not applicable to this report.

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION: Not applicable.

FINANCIAL: Using current year financial data, the general fund cost of 160 students in 2009-10 (FY10) will be approximately \$950,240.00. The financial implications will be addressed during the development of the FY10 budget. Since the School Code of Illinois prohibits the incurring of any liability unless an appropriation has been previously made, expenditures beyond the current FY09 are deemed to be contingent liabilities only, subject to appropriation in subsequent fiscal year budgets.

The food service payments to Noble Network of Charter Schools shall be on a per meal basis for 160 students in 2009-10 (FY10).

PERSONNEL IMPLICATIONS: As a contract school, Northwestern University Settlement Association will employ its own principal, teachers and staff.

GENERAL CONDITIONS:

Inspector General – Each Party to the agreement shall acknowledge that, in accordance with 105 ILCS 5/34-13.1, the Inspector General of the Board of Education has the authority to conduct certain investigations and that the Inspector General shall have access to all information and personnel necessary to conduct those investigations.

Conflicts – The agreement shall not be legally binding on the Board if entered into in violation of the Provisions of 105 ILCS 5/34-21.3, which restricts the employment of, or the letting of contracts to, former Board members during the one-year period following expiration or other termination of their terms of office.

Approved:

Respectfully submitted:



Barbara J. Eason-Watkins
Chief Education Officer



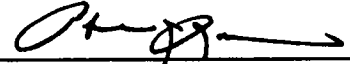
Ron Huberman
Chief Executive Officer

Within Appropriation:

Approved as to Legal Form: 



Pedro Martinez



Patrick J. Boyle

Chief Financial Officer

General Counsel