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**RESCIND BOARD REPORT 99-0825-PO3
POLICY ON CRITERIA GOVERNING DETERMINATION OF EDUCATIONAL CRISIS**

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER RECOMMENDS THE FOLLOWING:

Rescind the following outdated Board Policy for the reason stated below:

<u>Board Report</u>	<u>Policy Name</u>	<u>Reason for Rescission</u>
99-0825-PO3	Criteria Governing Determination of Educational Crisis CR 55 BDC	

Section 34-8.3(f) of the Illinois School Code grants the Chief Executive Officer ("CEO") the power to determine when a school is in educational crisis, requires the Board to develop criteria governing such educational crisis, and authorizes immediate corrective action without first placing the school on remediation or probation. 105 ILCS 5/34-8.3(f) (1998). The authority to take immediate corrective action is hereby delegated to the CEO pursuant to 105 ILCS 5/34-19 and Board Rule 2-27, except that the authority to implement the following measures is not delegated and requires Board authorization:

1. Ordering new local school council elections;
2. Ordering that a school be subject to the provisions of 105 ILCS 5/34-8.4;
3. Reconstitution of an attendance center;
4. Any other actions which are not delegable pursuant to 105 ILCS 5/34-19 and Board Rule 2-27.

An educational crisis is the existence of an unstable or critical time or state of affairs in a school which necessitates a decisive change in the school's educational program, operations or leadership. Two or more of the following criteria must exist at a school in order for there to be a declaration of educational crisis. Ongoing, repeated or pervasive occurrences, failures or malfeasance of the type outlined in the following criteria further evidence the existence of an educational crisis. The criteria to be used by the CEO in determining whether a school is in educational crisis are as follows:

1. Local school council or local school council member(s) repeated interference with personnel or the operation of school programs, or improper closure of staff positions or programs;
2. Repeated improper use of school personnel or school programs by a school's principal or administrative staff, including, but not limited to the abuse of disciplinary actions against school personnel or students, the improper rescheduling or reassignment of school personnel, the improper closing of school staff positions or programs or the improper expenditure of school funds without local school council approval;
3. Repeated failure or refusal by school staff, principal, local school council or local school council member(s) to comply with and implement the provisions of the Illinois School Code, all other applicable laws, state and federal mandates, including but not limited to bilingual and special

Region Education Officer as soon as possible. Notwithstanding any procedures or other aspects of this Policy, the Board may act at any time, pursuant to other authority such as its rules or the Illinois School Code, to remove or discipline employees or local school council members who have acted illegally or unethically or otherwise have violated Board rules or policies.

26. This policy shall supersede in all respects the Policy adopted on December 20, 1995 and shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

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