

Community Meeting for the Proposal to Co-locate a New Noble Street Charter Campus with Bowen High School

April 10, 2013; 7:30-9:30p.m. Location: CVCA High School: 2100 E 87th St

CPS Facilitators:

Michael Rendina, Chief of Public and External Affairs Jennie Huang, Treasurer

Also in Attendance:

Art Slater, Chief of Schools for South Side High School Network

CPS Presentation

Michael Rendina, Chief of Public and External Affairs, welcomed those in attendance and opened the meeting. Mr. Rendina shared the dates, times, and locations of future meetings and provided an overview of the handout distributed to the attendees. Mr. Rendina then introduced the court reporter and Spanish language interpreter. Jennie Huang, Treasurer, described the public comment ground rules and opened the public comment period.

Brief Summary

The purpose of the meeting was to receive public comments on the proposal to Co-locate a new Noble Street Charter Campus with Bowen High School in accordance with 105 ILCS 5/34-230. There were approximately 15 community members in attendance, including Alderman Holmes of the 7th Ward, and there were approximately 9 speakers. The speakers ranged from parents, LSC representatives, and Nobel Street representatives to interested stakeholders. The speaker comments focused on a variety of topics including the following:

- Representatives from Noble Street sharing the mission of the organization and committing to work with the Bowen community to ensure that the co-location is successful
- Concern that Bowen programs and partnerships in the facility will be displaced to make room for the Noble campus
- Concern that many of the good things that are happening at Bowen will be affected by this change and needing to share space with another school