ILLINOIS GENERAL ASSEMBLY
CHICAGO EDUCATIONAL FACILITIES TASK FORCE

MEETING NOTICE and DRAFT AGENDA

Public Input Sub-Committee

PUBLIC HEARING: Inviting members of the public to Comment on the Issues Addressed by the CEFTF.
Saturday, September 25th, 2010 from 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM
100 N. Central Park (Garfield Park – Golden Dome)
Chicago, IL

I. Opening of the Meeting

II. Introductory Remarks

III. Public Comment:
   a. What did you experience? What has been your experience with school actions and facility decisions made by Chicago Public Schools (CPS)?
   b. How could CPS improve the process surrounding school actions and facility decisions? How should CPS consider public input and community engagement in this process?
   c. What policies should be changed or instituted to guide CPS in prioritizing and making decisions related to school actions (e.g. closings, phase outs, turnarounds, new school openings, etc.)?
   d. What policies should be changed or instituted to better guide CPS in assessing and meeting facility needs and prioritizing facility spending (e.g. health and safety, other repairs, modernization, overcrowding)?
   e. What key factors should CPS take into consideration when making a long-term plan for school facility maintenance, repair, modernization, new construction and disposal of buildings?
   f. Who should be responsible and accountable for making school facility related decisions (e.g. the City of Chicago, CPS, Local School Councils, and the General Assembly)? How?

IV. Summary Remarks

V. Conclusion

Public Hearing Format and Policies: Each individual making a comment is limited to 3 minutes; a visual warning will be given when 30 seconds remain. Before anyone may make a comment, he or she must sign the attendance sheet provided by staff. The sign in sheet will be available ½ hour prior to the start of the meeting; those who sign in before the meeting begins will be given priority over those who sign in later. Comment forms will be available to all wishing to make a comment and will be collected throughout the meeting. If time does not permit you to make a comment, please complete a form and return to a staff member.