The following board items were presented for approval at the November Board meeting:

- Agreement with Scholastic, Inc. to provide the Olive-Harvey Middle College program with a computerized reading application that provides direct individualized instruction to struggling readers for the period beginning November 14, 2011 through June 15, 2012 to a total cost not to exceed $29,200
- The issuance of a purchase order to Deaf Communication by Innovation LLC to provide deaf interpreters services to hearing impaired students through the District at a total cost not to exceed $12,365
- The issuance of a purchase order to the Higher Learning Commission for the Richard J. Daley College evaluation peer review team visit for continued accreditation for the period from November 6, 2011 through November 9, 2011 for a total amount not to exceed $20,000 (this total includes base fee and honoraria, travel, meal and lodging expenses for review team)

The following are key accomplishments in Academic Affairs:

- Completed new organizational charts for seven colleges
- Completed college reorganization plan
- Completed reviewing the faculty hiring and credentialing guidelines
- Completed reviewing the tenure and promotion process
- Developed KPIs from all areas in Academic and Student Affairs