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**Board of Education Approves Appointment of
New Chief Information Officer for Pittsburgh Public Schools**

PITTSBURGH November 21, 2006 – At the Legislative Meeting this evening, the Board of Education for the Pittsburgh Public Schools approved the appointment of Mr. Lawrence “Bud” Bergie to the position of Chief Information Officer. A former Chief Information Officer and Sr. Vice President, Mr. Bergie exhibits a proven record when it comes to enhancing the competitive edge and service quality of an organization while reducing costs through the strategic use of technology. Mr. Bergie, as Chief Information Officer, will report directly to Superintendent of Schools, Mark Roosevelt.

“I’m confident Bud will increase the effectiveness and efficiency of our Information Technology Department,” said Superintendent Mark Roosevelt. “He comes with significant experience and will provide the leadership necessary to advance this critical business function.”

Mr. Bergie will be relocating within the District from Illinois and beginning his new position on January 2, 2007.

Background Mr. Lawrence “Bud” Bergie

Mr. Bergie is currently a Senior Consulting Partner with Sapient Consulting Group, LLC., a boutique consulting practice focusing on creating business value and client solutions for information technology issues.

Prior to joining Sapient, Mr. Bergie was the Chief Information Officer for Kable News Company, a \$100 million international newsstand distributor, where he was responsible for the information technology (IT) vision, quality assurance, maintenance, security, business continuity and evolution of hardware and software platforms. As Chief Information Officer, Mr. Bergie was accountable for a \$15 million budget and staff of more than 100 professionals in multiple locations supporting thousands of users in a multi-platform environment. Additionally, while with the Kable News Company, Mr. Bergie was responsible for the design, development and implementation of a \$3 million data warehouse along with the creation of an information technology infrastructure. Mr. Bergie notably increased revenue \$650,000 annually and reduced IT service expense \$550,000 annually. Kable News Company is located in Mt. Morris, Illinois. Mr. Bergie served as Chief Information Officer with the company from 2000 to 2005.

From 1990 to 2000, Mr. Bergie served as a Sr. Vice President, Southeast Region (1990-1992), Sr. Vice President, Program Management and Development (1992-1995) and Sr. Vice President, Information Systems and Data Systems Integration (1995-2000) for Professional Service Industries, INC., Lombard, Illinois. While with Professional Service Industries, INC., Mr. Bergie was responsible for the development, design and integration of software and hardware systems for 150 profit and administrative centers.

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In addition, Mr. Bergie initiated corporate policy on all IS/IT issues, integrated more than 12 acquisitions and designed and delivered more than 20 customer software solutions.

For 10 years, Mr. Bergie served in various capacities for various reputable companies including, Hall-Kimbrell Environmental Services, Environmental Protection Systems, Clayton Environmental Consultants and Industrial Accident Prevention Association. Mr. Bergie, originally of Canada and a permanent resident of the U.S., received a Bachelor of Civil Engineering in 1978 from McMaster University, Hamilton, Ontario, Canada and a Master in Chemical Engineering from the University of Toronto, Toronto, Ontario, Canada in 1979.

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