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ADDING GRADE LEVELS TO CHARTER AMENDMENT REQUEST

(Charter Holder Name) Anthem Preparatory Academy (CTDS) _____

(Charter Holder Mailing Address) 444 N 44th Street, Suite 100

(City, State) Phoenix (Zip) 85008

(Charter Representative's Name) Dan Scoggin

(Phone Number) 602-438-7045 (Fax Number) 480-782-1115

Failure to submit all required documentation will result in the Amendment Request being returned without being processed. Faxed copies will not be accepted. Please send originals.

Adding grade levels served for charter

Included are the following:

- Board minutes approving the change (If the body is subject to Open Meeting Law, minutes must comply with ARS §38-431.01)
- Narrative that 1) provides background and support for expansion; 2) how the additional grades support the philosophy, methods of instruction, special emphasis, and mission of the charter
- Timeline for implementation
- Proficiency level required for credit and/or promotion and credit transfer policies

For each grade level being added, provide the following as a representation of a program of instruction aligned to the State Academic Standards and to the methods of instruction described in the charter:

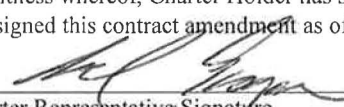
- Math – A completed curriculum sample template including all required attachments as outlined on the template attached.
- Language Arts - A completed curriculum sample template, for both reading and writing, including all required attachments as outlined on the template attached.

The Arizona State Board for Charter Schools and Anthem Preparatory Academy (Charter Holder), herein agree to amend the terms of the charter contract as follows:

FROM SERVING GRADES: 6,7,8,9,10,11,12

TO SERVING GRADES: 3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10,11,12

In witness whereof, Charter Holder has signed this contract amendment as of this 24 day of March, 20 10 and the State Board for Charter Schools has signed this contract amendment as of this _____ day of _____, 20____, to take effect at such time as it is signed by both parties.


Charter Representative Signature

Representative Signature for the Arizona State Board for Charter Schools

Narrative Explaining Great Hearts Academies—Anthem Prep Grades Served Change from 6-12 to 3-12

There is tremendous demand for 3-5 grades from within the Anthem Prep parent community. Furthermore, and perhaps most importantly, Anthem Prep believes that adding a 3rd through 5th Grade would elevate the quality of their overall program and support the mission of Anthem Prep. Students enter Anthem Prep at various levels of competence, in part depending upon the school(s) that they attended for their previous education. The Administration believes that a rigorous 3 through 5th grade education is a key curricular component to improving the educational quality of Anthem Prep.

In all courses, the 3-5 Grade curriculum is constructed to achieve the two goals indicated above: (1) to bring students with disparate educational backgrounds up to a mastery level before 6th Grade, and (2) to support the particular subjects taught in 6th -12th Grade with a 3-5 foundation in skill and content.

In terms of program and curriculum, Anthem Prep has entered into a strategic partnership with Ridgeview Classical in Fort Collins, Colorado. Additionally, Anthem Prep has a curriculum-sharing arrangement with Candeo Schools. As a result of these two relationships, the 3-5 curriculum at Anthem Prep will be a tested, Core Knowledge curriculum that has been tied to and mapped onto Arizona State Standards.

Expected Academic Achievement for AIMS, AIMS DPA, and Coursework Mastery

Anthem Prep expects the minimum levels of academic achievement for its new 3rd through 5th Graders:

- Pass rates on 3 - 5th Grade AIMS test that out-pace local district schools by at least 10%
- Raw AIMS scores in the top 40% of all 3-5 students compared to schools state-wide.
- 100% Mastery of coursework for students who matriculate from 5th into 6th Grade.

Timeline for Implementation

If this amendment is approved, Anthem Prep will add one section each of 3rd and 4th grade and two sections of 5th Grade for the 2010-11 school year.

Changes in Staffing

At Anthem Prep, adding 1 section each of 3rd and 4th grade and 2 sections of 5th grade will require the hiring of 5 additional full time teachers and 4 full time aides. All teachers will be Highly Qualified inasmuch as it is required by state and/or federal statute.

**Anthem Preparatory Academy
Board of Directors
UNAPPROVED MINUTES**

Date: 23 March 2010

Time: 11 a.m.

Location: Great Hearts Academies

A meeting of the Great Hearts Academies-Anthem Prep Board of Directors was held in the conference room of Great Hearts Academies, 444 N. 44th Street, Suite 100, Phoenix, AZ 85008 pursuant to A.R.S. 38-431.02, notice having been duly given.

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Van Brunt at 11:04 a.m. Present at the meeting were Mr. Van Brunt, Dr. Bezanson, Dr. Scoggin (by telephone) and Mrs. Osborne, GHA legal counsel (by telephone).

II. Introduction of Directors

Dr. Scoggin, Dr. Bezanson and Mr. Van Brunt identified themselves as directors of the board of Anthem Preparatory Academy.

III. Election of Interim President

Dr. Scoggin nominated Mr. Van Brunt as Interim President. Dr. Bezanson seconded. A vote was taken to elect Mr. Van Brunt as Interim President. All in favor, none opposed, Mr. Van Brunt was elected Interim President at 11:05 a.m.

IV. Discussion and Approval of Anthem Preparatory Academy Bylaws (J. Van Brunt)

The bylaws were included in the board packet and were reviewed by all directors.

Dr. Bezanson made a motion that the board approves the Anthem Preparatory

Academy Bylaws. Dr. Scoggin seconded, all in favor, none opposed, the motion carried at 11:06 a.m.

V. Election of President, Vice President and Secretary

The President of the board will sign the Bylaws, give the originals to Mr. Osborne and keep copies for GHA's files.

Dr. Bezanson made a motion that the board elects Mr. Van Brunt as board president, Dr. Scoggin as board vice president, and Dr. Bezanson as board secretary/treasurer. Dr. Scoggin seconded, all in favor, none opposed, the motion carried at 11:07 a.m.

V (1). Discussion and Possible Motion to Amend Anthem Preparatory Academy's Charter to Increase Grade Levels Served to 3-5 or K-5 (P. Bezanson)

The charter currently allows grades 6-12, and Anthem will serve grades 6-9 next year. The board discussed whether to amend the charter to have the ability to serve grades K-12 or grades 3-12. Dr. Bezanson recommended amending the charter to allow for grades 3-12.

Dr. Bezanson made a motion that the board amends the Anthem Preparatory Academy charter from grades 6-12 to grades 3-12. Dr. Scoggin seconded, all in favor, none opposed, the motion carried at 11:11 a.m.

VI. Consent Agenda Items (J. Van Brunt)

Mr. Van Brunt briefly listed the items on the consent agenda.

Dr. Scoggin made a motion that the board approves consent agenda items 6.1 through 6.6. Dr. Bezanson seconded, all in favor, none opposed, the motion carried at 11:12 a.m.

6.1. Approval of fiscal year end as June 30th of each year.

6.2 Approval of opening of bank account at Arizona Bank and Trust.

6.3 Approval of checks on account to be signed by Dr. Daniel Scoggin, Debra Santos, and Bryan Smith.

6.4 Appointment of Dr. Daniel Scoggin as Charter Representative to execute any and all documents on behalf

of Anthem Preparatory Academy with the Arizona State Board for Charter Schools.

6.5 Approval of USBAL&D, INC., an Arizona corporation, as Statutory Agent.

6.6 Approval of Allison Harmon as scribe for the Board.

**VII. Execute Oath of Office and Conflict of Interest Statement
(J. Van Brunt)**

No motion is necessary. The policies have been reviewed by all directors. Directors will supply Mr. Van Brunt with these signed documents.

VIII. Call to the Public (J. Van Brunt)

There was no public present.

IX. Establish Meeting Schedule and Meeting Location (J. Van Brunt)

Mr. Van Brunt stated the next Anthem Preparatory meeting was scheduled for April 20, 2010 at 11:30 a.m. at the offices of Great Hearts Academies, 444 N. 44th Street, Suite 100, Phoenix Arizona 85008. Additional board members will be considered at that meeting. The agenda for all Anthem Preparatory Academy board meetings will be posted at the entrance to Anthem Preparatory Academy at least 24 hours in advance at 42101 N. 41st Drive, Suite C-101, Phoenix AZ 85086. The location for Anthem Preparatory Academy board meetings was discussed. The meeting schedule will be tabled until a future meeting.

Dr. Scoggin made a motion that the location for Anthem Preparatory Academy board meetings will be the offices of Great Hearts Academies, 444 N. 44th Street, Suite 100, Phoenix AZ 85008 until further notice. Dr. Bezanson seconded, all in favor, none opposed, the motion carried at 11:18 a.m.

Dr. Bezanson made a motion that the board tables the establishment of a meeting schedule for Anthem Preparatory Academy until a future meeting. Dr. Scoggin seconded, all in favor, none opposed, the motion carried at 11:18 a.m.

XI. Adjournment

Dr. Bezanson made a motion that the board adjourns. Dr. Scoggin seconded, all in favor, none opposed, the motion carried at 11:18 a.m.

Submitted by Peter Bezanson, Secretary

--Allison Harmon, Scribe--