

**Arizona State Board for Charter Schools**

**April 11, 2016**

**1616 West Adams Street**

**Phoenix, Arizona 85007**

**Suite 170**

**SUMMARY**

<p><b>Members Present-</b>                  Freddy Mendoza - Vice President                  Diane Douglas - Superintendent                  Carol Crockett - Public Member                  Janna Day - Public Member (Joined during item D)                  Aracely Espinoza - Charter School Teacher                  Matthew Mason - Business Member                  Erik Twist - Charter School Operator</p> <p>Meeting began at 9:11 a.m.</p>	<p><b>Members Absent-</b>                  Kathy Senseman – President                  Jake Logan - Business Member                  Greta Mayans - Public Member</p>
<p><b>Agenda Item A. Pledge of Allegiance</b></p> <p><b>Agenda Item B. Moment of Silence</b></p> <p><b>Agenda Item C. Roll Call</b></p>	<p>Bianca Ulibarri called the roll and confirmed a quorum.</p>
<p><b>Agenda Item D. Call to the Public</b></p>	<p>The following individual(s) addressed the Board: Darryl Gooden addressed the Board. Recorded comments are available.</p>
<p><b>Agenda Item E. Arizona Charter Schools Association Update</b></p>	<p>Recorded comments are available.</p>
<p><b>Agenda Item F. Presentation by A for Arizona ‘A’ School Leaders about Empower College Prep</b></p>	<p>Recorded comments are available.</p>
<p><b>Agenda Item G. Superintendent’s Report</b></p>	<p>Recorded comments are available.</p>
<p><b>Agenda Item H. Executive Director’s Report</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Status of charters with previous and/or on-going board actions: Founding Fathers Academies, Inc.; El Centro for the Study of Primary and Secondary Education; Luz Academy of Tucson, Inc.</li> <li>2. Revision to the New Charter Application for the 2017-2018 cycle</li> </ol>	<p>Recorded comments are available.</p>
<p><b>Agenda Item I. Consent Agenda</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Consideration to approve the request for charter renewal and grant a renewal contract to the following:                         <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Academy of Mathematics and Science, Inc. (79961)</li> <li>b. Avondale Learning</li> </ol> </li> </ol>	<p align="center"><b>MOTION</b></p> <p>Janna Day made the following motion: I move to approve the items on the consent agenda I (1a and b). Matthew Mason seconded the motion.</p> <p align="center"><b>Motion passed unanimously</b></p>

<p>2. Consideration to approve charter holder amendment requests for the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Ambassador Academy - Adding Grade Levels</li> <li>b. CITY Center for Collaborative Learning - Adding Grade Levels &amp; Charter Mission</li> <li>c. Collaborative Pathways, Inc. - USFRCS Exception</li> <li>d. ECA - Arizona, Inc. - Charter Mission</li> <li>e. Tucson Country Day School, Inc. - Procurement Laws &amp; USFRCS Exceptions</li> <li>f. Tucson Youth Development, Inc. - Program of Instruction</li> <li>g. Twenty First Century Charter Schools, Inc. - Adding Grade Levels</li> </ul>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>MOTION</b></p> <p>Aracely Espinoza made the following motion: I motion to approved the charter holder amendments for I (2a, d, f, and g).</p> <p>Carol Crockett seconded the motion.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Motion passed unanimously</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>MOTION</b></p> <p>Diane Douglas made the following motion: I move to approve consent agenda item 2b, CITY Center for Collaborative Learning Adding Grade Levels &amp; Charter Mission.</p> <p>Janna Day seconded the motion.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Motion passed unanimously</b></p> <p>Item I (2c), this item was tabled.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>MOTION</b></p> <p>Janna Day made the following motion: I move to approve item I (2e).</p> <p>Aracely Espinoza seconded the motion.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Motion passed through majority vote (6-1)</b> (No: Douglas)</p>
<p><b>Agenda Item J. Discussion and possible action regarding Legacy Education Group et al. vs. Arizona State Board for Charter Schools (CV2016-051845)</b></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>MOTION</b></p> <p>Janna Day made the following motion: I move that we resolve into executive session for discussion of the items in separate agenda items J and K. Specifically, regarding Legacy Education Group and for the purpose of seeking legal advice concerning this item. And in subsection K, discussion and possible action regarding Consent Agreements for failing schools, Amendments related to conditional renewal accountability plans and Agreements for charter holders conditionally renewed and for the purpose of seeking legal advice with regard to the current status and the Board’s legal options regarding existing agreements. Additionally, for item J, legal advice for the purpose of discussing or consulting with the Board’s attorneys to consider its position and instruct its attorneys regarding the Board’s position in pending or contemplated litigation or in settlement discussions conducted in order to avoid or resolve litigation concerning this item.</p> <p>Carol Crockett seconded the motion.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Motion passed unanimously</b></p> <p><b>Board went into Executive Session at 10:00 am</b> <b>Board returned from Executive Session at 11:12 pm</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>MOTION</b></p> <p>Matthew Mason made the following motion: As to item J, I move that the Board’s attorney proceed as instructed in executive session in response to the</p>



**Agenda Item M. Charter Amendment and Notification -**  
Arizona Community Development Corporation

**MOTION**

Janna Day made the following motion: I move that we resolve into executive session for the purpose of receiving legal advice regarding agenda item K. Erik Twist seconded the motion.

**Motion passed through majority vote (6-1)**

(No: Douglas)

**Board went into Executive Session at 12:25 pm**

**Board returned from Executive Session at 12:37 pm**

**MOTION**

Aracely Espinoza made the following motion: I move, based on the information contained in the Board materials and presented today, to deny the request to add a new school site the charter contract of Arizona Community Development Corporation, for the reasons that the Charter Holder failed to demonstrate improved academic performance for the schools it currently operates when the three schools operated by the Charter Holder failed to show improvement year-over-year for the two most recent school years, and demonstrated declines in academic performance, in 4 out of the 10 measures required by the Board for La Paloma Academy, 1 out of 11 measures for La Paloma Academy (Lakeside), and 2 out of 12 measures for La Paloma Academy-South.

Janna Day seconded the motion.

**Motion passed through majority vote (6-1)**

(No: Douglas)

**MOTION**

Janna Day made the following motion: I move, based on the information contained in the Board materials and presented today, to deny the request to increase the enrollment cap of the charter contract of Arizona Community Development Corporation, for the reasons that the Charter Holder failed to demonstrate improved academic performance for the schools it currently operates when the three schools operated by the Charter Holder failed to show improvement year-over-year for the two most recent school years, and demonstrated declines in academic performance, in 4 out of the 10 measures required by the Board for La Paloma Academy, 1 out of 11 measures for La Paloma Academy (Lakeside), and 2 out of 12 measures for La Paloma Academy-South.

Aracely Espinoza seconded the motion.

**Motion passed through majority vote (6-1)**

(No: Douglas)

<b>Agenda Item N. Compliance Matters</b> 1. Bradley Academy of Excellence, Inc. 2. StarShine Academy	No action taken at this time
<b>Agenda Item O. Summary of Current Events, Future Meeting Dates and Items for Future Agendas</b>	Recorded comments are available.
<b>Agenda Item P. Adjournment</b> The meeting adjourned at approximately 12:52 p.m.	