

**Arizona State Board for Charter Schools
December 12, 2016
1616 West Adams Street
Phoenix, Arizona 85007
Suite 170**

SUMMARY

<p>Members Present- Kathy Senseman - President Freddy Mendoza - Vice President (Telephonically) Diane Douglas - Superintendent Carol Crockett - Public Member Aracely Espinoza - Charter School Teacher Matthew Mason - Business Member (Telephonically) Erik Twist - Charter School Operator</p> <p>Meeting began at 9:11 a.m.</p>	<p>Members Absent- Janna Day - Public Member Jake Logan - Business Member Greta Mayans - Public Member</p>
<p>Agenda Item A. Pledge of Allegiance</p> <p>Agenda Item B. Moment of Silence</p> <p>Agenda Item C. Roll Call</p>	<p>Bianca Ulibarri called the roll and confirmed a quorum.</p>
<p>Items taken out of order Agenda Item E. Arizona Charter Schools Association Update</p>	<p>Recorded comments are available.</p>
<p>Agenda Item D. Call to the Public</p>	<p>The following individual(s) addressed the Board: Layla Hassin and Stephen Saul addressed the Board. Recorded comments are available.</p> <p>Yvonne Watterson and Justin O’Connell addressed the Board during item M. Recorded comments are available.</p> <p>Becki Krueger and Mark Abeyta addressed the Board during item N. Recorded comments are available.</p>
<p>Agenda Item F. Arizona Alternative Education Consortium</p>	<p>Recorded comments are available.</p>
<p>Agenda Item G. Superintendent’s Report</p>	<p>Recorded comments are available.</p>
<p>Agenda Item H. Executive Director’s Report</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Status of charters with previous and/or on-going board actions: Bradley Academy of Excellence, Inc., Flagstaff Montessori, L.L.C., Florence Crittenton Youth Services of Arizona, Inc., Founding Fathers Academies, Inc., Global Renaissance Academy of Distinguished Education, Graysmark Schools Corporation, Hillcrest Academy, Inc., PS Charter Schools, Inc., StarShine Academy, StrengthBuilding Partners 2. Update on Rulemaking 	<p>Recorded comments are available.</p>

<p>3. Board’s 2017 Legislative Agenda 4. 2018-2019 New Charter Application Subcommittee</p>	
<p>Agenda Item I. Executive Director Position</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">MOTION</p> <p>Diane Douglas made the following motion: I move pursuant to A.R.S. 38-431.03(A)(1), the Board to convene into Executive Session, which will not be open to the public, for discussion or consideration of employment and personnel matters. Aracely Espinoza seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously</p> <p>Board went into Executive Session at 9:57 a.m. Board returned from Executive Session at 10:08 a.m.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">MOTION</p> <p>Erik Twist made the following motion: I move to accept the sub-committee’s desire to hire Ashley Berg. Aracely Espinoza seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously</p>
<p>Agenda Item J. Consent Agenda</p> <p>1. Consideration to approve charter holder amendment requests for the following:</p> <p>a. Cicero Preparatory Academy – Increasing Enrollment Cap b. Colegio Petite Phoenix – Instructional Days</p>	<p>This item was tabled until the January Board meeting</p> <p style="text-align: center;">MOTION</p> <p>Erik Twist made the following motion: I move to approve item 1(b) on the consent agenda. Carol Crockett seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously (Recused: Espinoza)</p>
<p>Agenda Item K. Compliance Matters - Shonto Governing Board of Education, Inc.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">MOTION</p> <p>Erik Twist made the following motion: I move to adopt Option 1. of the recommendation by staff. Aracely Espinoza seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously</p> <p><u>Option 1:</u> I move to find Shonto Governing Board of Education, Inc. is in noncompliance with state law for its failure to establish and maintain proper internal controls for the self-insurance fund and self-insurance fund bank account in the manner prescribed by the Uniform System of Financial Records for Arizona Charter Schools and approve withholding 10% of the charter holder’s monthly State aid apportionment until compliance is demonstrated. Compliance will be demonstrated by no identification or determination of a material weakness, significant deficiency or other instance of noncompliance in the fiscal year 2016 audit signifying that the charter holder did not approve self-insurance fund expenditures prior to payment.</p>

	<p>Further, I move that the charter holder’s failure to establish and maintain proper internal controls for the self-insurance fund and self-insurance fund bank account in the manner prescribed by the Uniform System of Financial Records for Arizona Charter Schools provides a sufficient basis to issue a Notice of Intent to Revoke the charter contract of Shonto Governing Board of Education, Inc.</p> <p>All that taken into consideration, the Board will enter into a consent agreement that includes the terms and provisions of the proposed consent agreement included with the staff report provided for this agenda item. If Shonto is unwilling to agree to the terms of the consent agreement and a signed consent agreement, along with governing board minutes approving the consent agreement, are not received by January 17, 2017, then it is the Board’s decision that the 10% withholding will begin with the charter holder’s February 2017 payment and that the charter holder will be placed on the Board’s February agenda for consideration of a Notice of Intent to Revoke Shonto’s charter contract for the reasons already specified.</p>
<p>Agenda Item L. Audit Status Update -</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Ahwatukee Foothills Prep Early College High School, Inc. 2. Career Development, Incorporated 3. Phoenix Advantage Charter School, Inc. 	<p>Recorded comments are available.</p>
<p>Agenda Item M. New Charter School Application - Synergy Public School</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">MOTION</p> <p>Carol Crockett made the following motion: Based upon review of the contents of the portfolio provided for Synergy Public School and the information provided by the representatives of the Synergy Public School during consideration, and given it is within the sole discretion of the Board to approve or deny a charter, I move to approve the application package and grant a charter to Synergy Public School to establish Synergy Public School charter school to serve grades Kindergarten through 5. Diane Douglas seconded the motion.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Motion passed unanimously</p>
<p>Agenda Item N. New Charter School Application - Victory Collegiate Academy Corporation</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">MOTION</p> <p>Erik Twist made the following motion: Based upon review of the contents of the portfolio provided for Victory Collegiate Academy Corporation and the information provided by the representatives of Victory during consideration, and given it is within the sole discretion of the Board to approve or deny a charter, I move to approve the application package and grant a charter to Victory Collegiate Academy Corporation to establish Victory Collegiate Academy to serve grades</p>

	Kindergarten through 8. Diane Douglas seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously
Agenda Item O. Founding Fathers Academies, Inc.	Recorded comments are available.
Agenda Item P. Summary of Current Events, Future Meeting Dates and Items for Future Agendas	Recorded comments are available.
Agenda Item Q. Adjournment The meeting adjourned at approximately 11:51 a.m.	