

**Arizona State Board for Charter Schools**

**June 11, 2012**

**1616 West Adams Street**

**Phoenix, Arizona 85007**

**Suite 170**

**SUMMARY**

<p><b>Members Present-</b>                  Peter Bezanson- Vice President                  Stacey Morley- Superintendent's Designee (Joined at beginning of Association update (Item E)).                  Norm Butler- Public Member                  Janna Day- Public Member                  Tim Eyerman- Charter School Teacher                  Royce Jenkins- Reservation Resident Member                  Todd Juhl- Public Member                  Kathy Senseman- Public Member (left at after item M (6)).</p> <p>Meeting began at 1:02 p.m.</p>	<p><b>Members Absent</b>                  Jake Logan- President                  Ruby Alvarado-Hernandez- Public Member                  Mark Anderson- Business Member                  Rep. Yee- Advisory 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><b>Agenda Item E. Arizona Charter Schools Association Update</b></p> <p><b>Agenda Item F. Superintendent's Report</b></p> <p><b>Agenda Item G. Executive Director's Report</b></p>	<p>The following individual(s) addressed the Board. Adrian Reznik and Kathleen Simmons. Additional requests commented before item M (2). Recorded comments are available.</p> <p>Recorded comments are available.</p> <p>Recorded comments are available.</p> <p>Recorded comments are available.</p>
<p><b>Agenda Item H. Consent Agenda</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Consideration to approve charter holder amendment requests.                         <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Carden Traditional School of Surprise, Inc. – Change in Charter Holder</li> <li>b. The Charter Foundation, Inc. operating AmeriSchools College Prep Academy – Change in Charter Holder</li> <li>c. Paragon Education Corporation – Charter Mission</li> <li>d. Sierra Oaks School, Inc. – Charter Mission and Decrease in Grade Levels</li> <li>e. Sonoran Desert School – Charter Mission and Increase in Instructional Days</li> </ol> </li> </ol>	<p align="center"><b>MOTION</b></p> <p>Norm Butler made the following motion: Motion to approve the Consent Agenda H (1) items A-E. Janna Day seconded the motion.</p> <p align="center"><b>Motion passed unanimously</b></p>

<p><b>Agenda Item I. Charter Amendment-</b> Sonoran Desert School to add grade levels.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>MOTION</b></p> <p>Norm Butler made the following motion: I move, based on the information contained in the Board materials and presented today, that the Board deny the requests to add grades 7 and 8 to the charter schools held by Sonoran Desert School, for the reasons that it has not demonstrated academic performance as required by the state charter board.</p> <p>Royce Jenkins seconded the motion.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Motion passed through majority vote (5-3)</b> (No: Bezanson, Juhl, Senseman)</p>
<p><b>Agenda Item J. Charter Replication Application-</b> Franklin Phonetic Primary School, Inc. for the operation of Franklin Phonetic Primary School-Sunnyslope.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Item tabled until next month</b></p>
<p><b>Agenda Item K. Transfer of Charter Contract-</b> Pima County Board of Supervisors</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>MOTION</b></p> <p>Norm Butler made the following motion: I move to approve the Transfer Application for Pima County Board of Supervisors doing business as Pima Vocational High School.</p> <p>Todd Juhl seconded the motion.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Motion passed unanimously</b></p>
<p><b>Agenda Item L. Audit Guidelines, Legal Compliance Questionnaire, USFRCS Compliance Questionnaire, and Procurement Compliance Questionnaire for 2012</b></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>MOTION</b></p> <p>Stacey Morley made the following motion: I move to approve the fiscal year 2012 audit guidelines, Legal Compliance Questionnaire, USFRCS Compliance Questionnaire, and Procurement Compliance Questionnaire as presented.</p> <p>Janna Day seconded the motion.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Motion passed unanimously</b></p>
<p><b>Agenda Item M. Renewal Application</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Arizona Academy of Science &amp; Technology</li> </ol>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>MOTION</b></p> <p>Stacey Morley made the following motion: Renewal is based on consideration of academic, fiscal and contractual compliance of the charter holder. In this case, there is a record of academic performance below the Board’s level of adequate academic performance, which has been addressed by the charter holder through the inclusion of a performance management plan as part of the renewal application package and can be incorporated in the charter contract. There is also a record of past contractual noncompliance which has been reviewed. With that taken into consideration as well as all information provided to the Board for consideration of this renewal application package and during its discussion with representatives of the charter holder, I move to approve the request for charter renewal and grant a renewal contract to Arizona Academy of Science and Technology that incorporates the performance</p>

<p><b>Continue of Call to the Public</b></p> <p>2. Choice Education and Development Corporation – Learning Crossroads Basic Academy</p> <p>3. Choice Education and Development Corporation – Sequoia Charter School</p>	<p>management plan. Kathy Senseman seconded the motion. <b>Motion passed through majority vote (7-1)</b> (No: Eyerman)</p> <p>The following individual(s) addressed the Board. Andrea Valdez, Jose Franco, Steven Fellser, Jennie Lasher, Emily Blau, Priscilla Goodwin, Robin Beadle, Audrey Gonzales, Shelly Schnier, Mellani Phelps. Recorded comments are available.</p> <p><b>MOTION</b> Janna Day made the following motion: Based upon a review of the information provided by the representatives of the charter holder and the contents of the application package which includes the academic performance, the fiscal compliance, and legal and contractual compliance of the charter holder over the charter term, I move to deny the request for charter renewal and to not grant a renewal contract for Choice Education and Development Corporation - Learning Crossroads Basic Academy. Specifically, the charter holder, during the term of the contract, failed to meet the obligations of the contract or failed to comply with state law when it: -Failed to provide a learning environment that improved pupil achievement in accordance with A.R.S. § 15-181(A). Norm Butler seconded the motion. <b>Motion passed unanimously</b></p> <p><b>MOTION</b> Stacey Morley made the following motion: Renewal is based on consideration of academic, fiscal and contractual compliance of the charter holder. In this case, there is a record of academic performance below the Board’s level of adequate academic performance, which has been addressed by the charter holder through the inclusion of a performance management plan as part of the renewal application package and can be incorporated in the charter contract. There is also a record of past contractual noncompliance which has been reviewed. With that taken into consideration as well as all information provided to the Board for consideration of this renewal application package and during its discussion with representatives of the charter holder, I move to approve the request for charter renewal and grant a renewal contract to Choice Education and Development Corporation - Sequoia Charter School that incorporates the performance management</p>
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<p>4. Choice Education and Development Corporation – Sequoia School for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing</p>	<p>plan Norm Butler seconded the motion. <b>Motion passed unanimously</b></p> <p><b>MOTION</b> Norm Butler made the following motion: Renewal is based on consideration of academic, fiscal and contractual compliance of the charter holder. In this case, there is a record of academic performance below the Board’s level of adequate academic performance, which has been addressed by the charter holder through the inclusion of a performance management plan as part of the renewal application package and can be incorporated in the charter contract. There is also a record of past contractual noncompliance which has been reviewed. With that taken into consideration as well as all information provided to the Board for consideration of this renewal application package and during its discussion with representatives of the charter holder, I move to approve the request for charter renewal and grant a renewal contract to Choice Education and Development Corporation - Sequoia School for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing that incorporates the performance management plan. Royce Jenkins seconded the motion. <b>Motion passed unanimously</b></p>
<p>5. Choice Education and Development Corporation – Sequoia Village School</p>	<p><b>MOTION</b> Norm Butler made the following motion: Renewal is based on consideration of academic, fiscal and contractual compliance of the charter holder. With that taken into consideration as well as all information provided to the Board for consideration of this renewal application package and during its discussion with representatives of the charter holder, I move to approve the request for charter renewal and grant a renewal contract to Choice Education and Development Corporation - Sequoia Village School. Kathy Senseman seconded the motion. <b>Motion passed unanimously</b></p>
<p>6. Edkey, Inc. – Redwood Academy</p>	<p><b>MOTION</b> Norm Butler made the following motion: Renewal is based on consideration of academic, fiscal and contractual compliance of the charter holder. In this case, there is a record of academic performance below the Board’s level of adequate academic performance, which has been addressed by the charter holder through the inclusion of a performance management plan as part of the renewal application package and can be</p>

**Items taken out of order:**

- 8. Integrity Education Incorporated

**Note: Board returned to item M (8) after item M (10)**

- 10. The Phoenix School of Academic Excellence

incorporated in the charter contract. There is also a record of past contractual noncompliance which has been reviewed. With that taken into consideration as well as all information provided to the Board for consideration of this renewal application package and during its discussion with representatives of the charter holder, I move to approve the request for charter renewal and grant a renewal contract to Edkey, Inc. - Redwood Academy that incorporates the performance management plan.

Tim Eyerman seconded the motion.

**Motion passed unanimously**

**MOTION**

Norm Butler made the following motion: Renewal is based on consideration of academic, fiscal and contractual compliance of the charter holder. In this case, there is a record of academic performance below the Board's level of adequate academic performance, which has been addressed by the charter holder through the inclusion of a performance management plan as part of the renewal application package and can be incorporated in the charter contract. There is also a record of past contractual noncompliance which has been reviewed. With that taken into consideration as well as all information provided to the Board for consideration of this renewal application package and during its discussion with representatives of the charter holder, I move to approve the request for charter renewal and grant a renewal contract to Integrity Education Incorporated that incorporates the performance management plan.

Stacey Morley seconded the motion.

**Motion not passed through majority vote (3-4)**

(No: Bezanson, Day, Eyerman, Juhl)

**MOTION**

Stacey Morley made the following motion: Renewal is based on consideration of academic, fiscal and contractual compliance of the charter holder. In this case, there is a record of academic performance below the Board's level of adequate academic performance, which has been addressed by the charter holder through the inclusion of a performance management plan as part of the renewal application package and can be incorporated in the charter contract. There is also a record of past contractual noncompliance which has been reviewed. With that taken into consideration as well as all information provided to the Board for consideration of this renewal

**Items taken out of order, went back to item M (8)**

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application package and during its discussion with representatives of the charter holder, I move to approve the request for charter renewal and grant a renewal contract to Phoenix School of Academic Excellence that incorporates the performance management plan.

Todd Juhl seconded the motion.

**Motion not passed through majority vote (3-4)**

(No: Bezanson, Butler, Day, Eyerman)

**MOTION**

Norm Butler made the following motion: Based upon a review of the information provided by the representatives of the charter holder and the contents of the application package which includes the academic performance, the fiscal compliance, and legal and contractual compliance of the charter holder over the charter term, I move to deny the request for charter renewal and to not grant a renewal contract for Phoenix School of Academic Excellence. Specifically, the charter holder, during the term of the contract, failed to meet the obligations of the contract or failed to comply with state law when it:

Failed to provide a learning environment that improved pupil achievement in accordance with A.R.S. § 15-181(A).

Tim Eyerman seconded the motion.

**Motion passed through majority vote (4-3)**

(No: Morley, Jenkins, Juhl)

**MOTION**

Todd Juhl made the following motion: Based upon a review of the information provided by the representatives of the charter holder and the contents of the application package which includes the academic performance, the fiscal compliance, and legal and contractual compliance of the charter holder over the charter term, I move to deny the request for charter renewal and to not grant a renewal contract for Integrity Education Incorporated. Specifically, the charter holder, during the term of the contract, failed to meet the obligations of the contract or failed to comply with state law when it:

Failed to provide a learning environment that improved pupil achievement in accordance with A.R.S. § 15-181(A).

Failed to notify the Board of a change in school site address as required in paragraph 10(B) of the contract.

Tim Eyerman seconded the motion.

**Motion passed through majority vote (4-3)**

<p>9. Little Singer Community School Board, Inc.</p>	<p>(No: Morley, Butler, Jenkins)</p> <p><b>MOTION</b></p> <p>Todd Juhl made the following motion: Based upon a review of the information provided by the representatives of the charter holder and the contents of the application package which includes the academic performance, the fiscal compliance, and legal and contractual compliance of the charter holder over the charter term, I move to deny the request for charter renewal and to not grant a renewal contract for Little Singer Community School Board, Inc. Specifically, the charter holder, during the term of the contract, failed to meet the obligations of the contract or failed to comply with state law when it: Failed to provide a learning environment that improved pupil achievement in accordance with A.R.S. § 15-181(A). Failed to comply with all federal and state laws relating to the education of children with disabilities and the Board concerns around it being a going concern. Norm Butler seconded the motion.</p> <p><b>Motion passed through majority vote (5-2)</b> (No: Morley, Jenkins)</p>
<p><b>Items taken out of order:</b> <b>Agenda Item N. Surrender Agreement-</b> Sierra Summit Academy, Inc.</p>	<p><b>MOTION</b></p> <p>Stacey Morley made the following motion: I move that to accept the Voluntary Surrender and Termination of the Charter Contract for Sierra Summit Academy, Inc. and also to vacate the hearing. Todd Juhl seconded the motion.</p> <p><b>Motion passed unanimously</b></p>
<p><b>Items taken out of order, went back to item M (12)</b> 12. Tucson Preparatory School</p>	<p><b>MOTION</b></p> <p>Norm Butler made the following motion: Based upon a review of the information provided by the representatives of the charter holder and the contents of the application package which includes the academic performance, the fiscal compliance, and legal and contractual compliance of the charter holder over the charter term, I move to deny the request for charter renewal and to not grant a renewal contract for Tucson Preparatory School. Specifically, the charter holder, during the term of the contract, failed to meet the obligations of the contract or failed to comply with state law when it: Failed to provide a learning environment that improved pupil achievement in accordance with</p>

<p>7. Employ-Ability Unlimited, Inc.</p>	<p>A.R.S. § 15-181(A) and failed to demonstrate a viable plan for improving pupil achievement in accordance with the requirements of the renewal application.</p> <p>Also, it Failed to provide a Renewal Budget Plan in its application for renewal that addresses the fiscal viability of the entity for the continuation of the operation of a charter school.</p> <p>Janna Day seconded the motion.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Motion passed through majority vote (6-1)</b> (No: Juhl)</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>MOTION</b></p> <p>Janna Day made the following motion: Renewal is based on consideration of academic, fiscal and contractual compliance of the charter holder. In this case, there is a record of academic performance below the Board’s level of adequate academic performance, which has been addressed by the charter holder through the presentation of a performance management plan at the leadership team meeting and can be incorporated in the charter contract. There is also a record of past contractual noncompliance which has been reviewed. With that taken into consideration as well as all information provided to the Board for consideration of this renewal application package and during its discussion with representatives of the charter holder, I move to approve the request for charter renewal and grant a renewal contract to Employ-Ability Unlimited, Inc. that incorporates the performance management plan that was presented at the leadership team meeting.</p> <p>Royce Jenkins seconded the motion.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Motion passed unanimously</b></p>
<p><b>Agenda Item O. Board Comments and Future Meeting Dates</b></p>	<p>Recorded comments are available.</p>
<p><b>Agenda Item P. Adjournment</b> The meeting adjourned at approximately 5:33 p.m.</p>	