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ADDING GRADE LEVELS TO CHARTER AMENDMENT REQUEST

(Charter Holder Name) MONTEZUMA PUBLIC CHARTER MIDDLE SCHOOL (CTDS) 078982000

(Charter Holder Mailing Address) 5040 S. PRICE ROAD

(City, State) TEMPE, AZ (Zip) 85282

(Charter Representative's Name) WILLIAM COATS

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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 MONTEZUMA PUBLIC CHARTER MIDDLE SCHOOL (Charter Holder), herein agree to amend the terms of the charter contract as follows:

FROM SERVING GRADES: 7TH – 8TH

TO SERVING GRADES: 7TH THRU 12TH

In witness whereof, Charter Holder has signed this contract amendment as of this 17TH day of JUNE, 2010, 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



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Narrative on background and expansion support

Our current plan is to apply to serve students in an on-line, virtual capacity through the Arizona On-line Instruction opportunity. With that in mind, the increase in grade levels allow us to serve a more expansive population than the current charter serves. We believe providing a virtual environment straight through 12th grade will allow a continuum of services for students and families thriving in a virtual environment.

Support of philosophy/methods of instruction/special emphasis and mission

Montezuma's mission strives to serve students that are not typically successful via attendance, academics or behavioral issues in a public setting. The school supports students for whom traditional schools have not been effective and predictably will not be in the future. By expanding grade levels to include 9-12, students can continue to receive the support and services in the same environment without changing schools. The method of instruction, once our AOI application amendment is approved, will be virtual instruction with available 1:1 live support and/or traditional classroom instruction offered. The special emphasis and mission will be to continue serving students for whom traditional schools have not been effective and predictably will not be in the future.

Timeline

Montezuma plans to begin serving students in grades 9-12 in October of 2010 once the on-line application has been reviewed, scored and approved by the authorizer. The curriculum is provided and managed in such a way that grades 9-12 can be added simultaneously with out the need for phasing in grades individually over time.

Proficiency Levels for Credit and or Promotion:

Montezuma's proficiency level required for credit is set at a 60% or higher. Course mastery is set at 60% for all courses with tutoring and remediation available for students not meeting 60%. Students will earn .5 credits for each class that is in session for a minimum of 61.5 hours and will be enrolled in up to 6 classes per day. Students must attain a 60% mastery level in each course in order to earn credit. This will allow students to earn 6 credits per year.

Courses are aligned to the Arizona Academic Standards. The letter grade-equivalent of mastery is as follows:

- A = 90-100%
- B = 80-89%
- C = 70-79%
- D = 60-69%
- F = 59% and below

Credit Transfer Policy:

Students who were previously enrolled in a private school, charter school or school district shall be eligible to transfer earned in courses or instructional programs at the previous school or school district. The leadership team at Montezuma will analyze transcripts and course descriptions to determine whether a credit earned by a student who was previously enrolled in another school will be assigned as an elective or core credit.

Any such students will be provided with a list that indicates which credits have been accepted as an elective credit and which credits have been accepted as a core credit by Montezuma. Within ten school days after receiving the list, the student may request to take an examination in each particular course in which core credit has been denied. Montezuma will accept the credit as a core credit for each particular course in which the student takes an examination and receives a passing score (60% or higher) on a test designed and evaluated by a highly qualified teacher in the school who teaches the subject matter on which the examination is based.



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MINUTES FROM PUBLIC MEETING FOR THE GOVERNING BODY OF:

EL DORADO PUBLIC CHARTER HIGH SCHOOL

MAYA PUBLIC CHARTER HIGH SCHOOL

SKYVIEW PUBLIC CHARTER HIGH SCHOOL

SUMMIT PUBLIC CHARTER HIGH SCHOOL

TEMPE ACCELERATED PUBLIC CHARTER HIGH SCHOOL

AND

GILBERT ARTS ACADEMY PUBLIC CHARTER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

LIBERTY ARTS ACADEMY PUBLIC CHARTER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

MONTEZUMA PUBLIC CHARTER MIDDLE SCHOOL

SOUTH POINTE PUBLIC CHARTER JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL

SOUTH POINTE PUBLIC CHARTER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

VISTA GROVE PREPARATORY ACADEMY PUBLIC CHARTER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

VISTA GROVE PREPARATORY ACADEMY PUBLIC CHARTER MIDDLE SCHOOL

DATE: Friday, June 18, 2010

TIME: 4:30 p.m.

LOCATION: 7878 N. 16TH STREET

SUITE 150

PHOENIX, ARIZONA 85020

MEETING CALLED

4:30 p.m.

TO ORDER

ATTENDEES

BILL COATS WAS PRESENT

AGENDA TOPICS

ACTION ITEM I

Decrease Grade Levels of Charter Amendment Request

For: Montezuma Public Charter Middle School

From: Grades Served: 6 -7 -8

To: Grades Served: 7 -8

CONCLUSIONS

DECREASE GRADE LEVELS OF CHARTER AMENDMENT REQUEST WAS REVIEWED AND A MOTION TO PASS WAS MADE SECONDED AND PASSED BY BILL COATS.

ACTION ITEM II

Enrollment Cap Notification Request

For: Montezuma Public Charter Middle School

From: 100

To: 500

CONCLUSIONS

ENROLLMENT CAP NOTIFICATION REQUEST WAS REVIEWED AND A MOTION TO PASS WAS MADE SECONDED AND PASSED BY BILL COATS.

ACTION ITEM III

Adding Grade Levels to Charter Amendment Request

For: Montezuma Public Charter Middle School

From Serving Grades: 7th – 8th

To: Serving Grades: 7th – 12th

CONCLUSIONS

ADDING GRADE LEVELS TO CHARTER AMENDMENT REQUEST WAS REVIEWED AND A MOTION TO PASS WAS MADE SECONDED AND PASSED BY BILL COATS.

ACTION ITEM IV **Site Specific Change in Grades Served Notification Request**

For: Montezuma Public Charter Middle School

Grade Levels from: 6 – 7 – 8

Grade Levels to: 7th – 12th

CONCLUSIONS

SITE SPECIFIC CHANGE IN GRADES SERVED NOTIFICATION REQUEST WAS REVIEWED AND A MOTION TO PASS WAS MADE SECONDED AND PASSED BY BILL COATS.

REPORTS AND INFORMATION (NO ACTION WILL BE TAKEN)

*PUBLIC COMMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

*INDIVIDUALS WISHING TO ADDRESS THE GOVERNING BODY ARE ASKED TO SIGN THE SPEAKERS' ROSTER PRIOR TO THE START OF THE MEETING.