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From: Martha Morgan
Sent: Wednesday, December 07, 2011 10:37 AM
To: 'Sharon Singer'
Subject: RE: Charter Renewal Application

Ms. Singer,

Pursuant to A.R.S. § 15-183.I, "At least eighteen months before the expiration of the approved plan, the sponsor shall notify the charter school that the charter school may apply for renewal. A charter school that elects to apply for renewal shall file an application for renewal at least fifteen months before the expiration of the approved plan."

Shonto Governing Board of Education, Inc. ("charter holder") became eligible to apply for renewal on August 18, 2011. The renewal application was due the Arizona State Board for Charter Schools ("Board") by November 18, 2011. As you were advised by email notification on November 30, 2011, because no renewal application was submitted by the charter holder, the charter of Shonto Governing Board of Education, Inc. to operate Shonto Preparatory Technology High School will expire on February 18, 2013.

In response to your email request to me on December 2, 2011, to identify options for the charter holder, I have provided the following:

1. The charter holder may choose to take no action at this time and allow the charter to expire on February 18, 2013. Since the charter expiration date would not allow the charter holder to provide instruction to students for the requisite number of days for the 2012-2013 school year, it is the Board's position that, as a result, Shonto Preparatory Technology High School would not open in the Fall of 2012.
2. The charter holder may complete and submit the renewal application and request that the Board consider accepting the application although it was not submitted timely. If the charter holder chooses this option, the renewal application must be submitted to the Board no later than January 4, 2012 in order for the Board to consider the request at its January 2012 meeting. Should the Board accept the late application submission, the Board would then consider the charter holder's request for renewal of its charter at a subsequent Board meeting.
3. The charter holder may prepare and submit a new charter application for the 2013-2014 application cycle, due in early July, 2012.

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