Arizona State Board for Charter Schools

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Dear Charter School Community:

On behalf of the Arizona State Board for Charter Schools ("Board"), I am requesting your comments on the proposed substantive changes to the eligibility criteria for submitting an expansion request and when a Financial Performance Response is required for expansion requests. In your review of those changes please explain the reasons for your position and any alternative suggestions you propose, as this will assist Board staff when considering your comments. Comments may be submitted to our office (see below for more details).

Currently the Academic Performance Framework has eligibility criteria for submitting expansion amendment requests. Board staff is proposing to add and align eligibility criteria for expansion requests to the Financial and Operational Performance Frameworks by:

- Listing all requests that are considered "expansion",
- o Specifying the eligibility criteria for submitting an expansion request, and
- Identifying when Associated Charters and Associated Schools would be considered for determining eligibility.

Additionally, the Board is proposing modifications to when a Financial Performance Response is required with expansion requests when the Charter Holder does not meet the Board's financial performance expectations.

Full details on the proposed changes for the eligibility criteria are found in Appendix A: "Eligibility Criteria for Expansions". Details about when a Financial Performance Response will be required for Charter Holders to submit when they meet the eligibility criteria, but do not meet the Board's financial performance expectations are found in Appendix B: Appendix B to the Financial Performance Framework.

Submitting Comments

Please provide your comments in electronic form by e-mail to charterschoolboard@asbcs.az.gov by August 25, 2017. If you are unable to e-mail your responses, you may fax the comments to (602) 364-3089. All comments received are considered public information. Those comments may be posted to the Board's website and will be included in the materials for the Board's consideration.

If you have any questions please contact me.

Sincerely,
Ashley Berg
Executive Director