



# A Letter from ASBCS

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## Important Dates

- **May 15, 2017:** [Board Meeting Summary](#).
- **May 17, 2017:** Soft deadline for [2018-2019 New Charter Applications](#).
- **May 17, 2017:** [Amendment submissions due for June Board meeting](#).
- **May 30:** [Public comment](#) due on [Compliance Check Policy](#).
- **June 12, 2017:** Next Regular [Board Meeting](#).
- **June 16, 2017:** [Technical Review Panel](#) applications due.
- **June 23, 2017:** [2018-2019 New Charter Applications](#) due.

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## A Message from Our Board President

Dear Charter Community,

I am pleased to introduce you to the first issue of the ASBCS monthly newsletter. As the Charter Board President, I believe in communicating directly to Arizona's charter operators to keep you informed of important and helpful information. This newsletter is one of many resources the Board is developing to better communicate with you and is part of our initiative to improve customer service, communication, and transparency.

In an effort to be more accessible and transparent, ASBCS is now on Facebook! Visit our page for information, deadlines, and resources. We will be updating our page regularly, so follow us on [Facebook](#) to stay updated with the most current information.

We have also teamed up with the Charter Association to provide a new series of trainings and workshops. Each session highlights improvements and changes made to our processes to reduce unnecessary steps and create efficiencies for you. To make these trainings accessible to all in Arizona we will soon begin adding webinar sessions.

As we move forward, the Board will continue to ensure the movement for school choice is making commendable strides in supporting our successful charter schools. If you would like to provide feedback or comments on the work the Board is doing, reach out to us.

Please feel free to share this newsletter with all your colleagues!



Your Board President,

*Kathy Senseman*

## New Board Meeting Room

Charter Board meetings will now be held at the State Board of Education Board Room located at 1535 W. Jefferson, Conf. 122, Phoenix, AZ 85007.

### Call for Technical Review Panel Members

The Board is seeking reviewers for the New Charter Applications with experience in school leadership, finance and operations, charter management and local context. For more information, visit the [ASBCS website](#) or contact Rachel Hannah at 602-364-3087 or at [Rachel.Hannah@asbcs.az.gov](mailto:Rachel.Hannah@asbcs.az.gov).

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