

Minutes
Charter Authorizing Panel
May 14, 2019

The Charter Authorizing Panel met on Tuesday, May 14, 2019, in the Arkansas Department of Education Auditorium. Dr. Ivy Pfeffer, Chair, called the meeting to order at 10:00 AM.

Present: Dr. Ivy Pfeffer, Phillip Baldwin, Dr. Angela Kremers, Greg Rogers, Dr. Naccaman Williams, Mike Wilson

Absent: Toyce Newton

The transcription of this meeting may be accessed on the Arkansas Department of Education website at the following:

<http://www.arkansased.gov/about-ade/charter-authorizing-panel/minutes/archive/2019>

Dr. Pfeffer provided the audience with instructions pertinent to the proceedings.

Consent Agenda

Item included in the Consent Agenda:

1. CAP Minutes - February 25, 2019

It was moved by Dr. Kremers., seconded by Dr. Williams and carried unanimously to approve the CAP minutes from February 25, 2019.

Action Agenda

A-1 Request for Open-Enrollment Charter School Amendment: Future School Fort Smith, Fort Smith

Boyd Logan, Superintendent, (Call In) presented the request for an amendment of the Charter for a waiver for Standard for clock hour requirements for the Planned Instructional Day.

A question and answer period followed.

It was moved by Mr. Wilson, seconded by Dr. Williams, and carried on a unanimous vote to approve the amendment request.

A-2 Request for Open-Enrollment Charter School Amendment: Capital City Lighthouse Charter School, North Little Rock

Lenisha Roberts, Superintendent, presented the panel with the request for amendment to the current charter for a waiver of the Standards for Uniform Dates for the Beginning and End of a School Year that allows for a start date of August 13, 2019 for the 2019-2020 and August 6th, for the future years and a waiver of the Standards for District Student/Guidance Counselor Ratio for the duration of the charter.

A question and answer period followed

It was moved by Dr. Williams, seconded by Mr. Wilson, and carried on a unanimous vote to approve the amendment request.

A-3 Request for Open-Enrollment Charter School Amendment: Haas Hall Academy, Fayetteville

Martin Schoppmeyer, Superintendent, (Call-In) presented the request for an amendment to the charter for a waiver of Standards Principal Licensure Requirements and District Student/Guidance Counselor Ratio.

A question and answer period followed.

It was moved by Mr. Baldwin, seconded by Dr. Kremers, and carried on a unanimous vote to approve the amendment request.

A-4 Request for Open-Enrollment Charter School Amendment: Jacksonville Lighthouse Charter School, Jacksonville

Lenisha Roberts, Superintendent, presented the panel with the request for amendment to the current charter for a waiver of the Standards for Uniform Dates for the Beginning and End of a School Year and Standards for Principal Licensure Requirements.

A question and answer period followed

It was moved by Mr. Wilson, seconded by Dr. Williams and carried on a unanimous vote to approve the amendment request.

A-5 Request for Open-Enrollment Charter School Amendment: Pine Bluff Lighthouse Charter School, Pine Bluff

Lenisha Roberts, Superintendent, presented the panel with the request for amendment to the current charter for a waiver of the Standards for Uniform Dates for the Beginning and End of a School Year and waiver of the Standards District Student/Guidance Counselor Ratio.

A question and answer period followed.

It was moved by Mr. Wilson, seconded by Dr. Kremers, and carried on a unanimous vote to approve the amendment request.

A-6 Request for Open-Enrollment Charter School Amendment: SIATech, Little Rock

Katie Hatley, Superintendent, presented the request for an amendment for waivers of the Standards for Class Size and Teaching Load, Digital Curriculum changed from Con Tech, Name change of the school to "Graduate Learning Center for Success", change the staffing structure to include a Superintendent and Principal and listed as an Independent Charter.

A question and answer period followed.

It was moved by Dr. Williams, seconded by Dr. Kremers, and carried on a unanimous vote to approve the amendment request and requiring the school to return in October with an update and an ADE Report.

A-7 Request for District Conversion Charter School Amendment: Lincoln High School, Lincoln

Dr. Mary Ann Spears, Superintendent, (Call In) and Courtney Jones, Principal, (Call-In) presented the amendment request for a change in the grade level configuration served from Grades 8-12 to Grades 9-12.

A question and answer period followed.

It was moved by Mr. Baldwin, seconded by Mr. Wilson, and carried on a unanimous vote to approve the request.

A-8 Request for District Conversion Charter School Amendment: Cabot Academic Center of Excellence, Cabot

Dr. Tammy Tucker, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum & Instruction and Ms. Michele Evans, Academic Center for Excellence Director presented the amendment request for a change in the grade level configuration served from Grades 7-12 to Grades 5-12.

A question and answer period followed.

It was moved by Mr. Wilson, seconded by Dr. Kremers, and carried on a unanimous vote to approve the amendment request.

Mr. Reginald Ballard made a request for a special CAP Meeting on June 11, 2019 to review a District Conversion School District request to transition and the CAP agreed.

Adjournment

It was moved by Dr. Williams, seconded by Mr. Baldwin, and carried unanimously to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 11:45 AM.

Minutes recorded by Freddie Scott


Dr. Ivy Pfeffer, Charter Authorizing Panel Chair