

Minutes
Charter Authorizing Panel
March 14, 2018

The Charter Authorizing Panel met on Wednesday, March 14, 2018 in the auditorium of the Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality building. Dr. Mike Hernandez, appointed chair, called the meeting to order at 10:35 AM.

Present: Dr. Ivy Pfeffer, chair; Dr. Mike Hernandez; Toyce Newton; Dr. Naccaman Williams; Mike Wilson

Absent: Dr. Jeremy Owoh; Kathi Turner

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/2018>

Dr. Pfeffer introduced the members of the Panel and welcomed all in attendance.

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

Consent Agenda

It was moved by Dr. Williams, seconded by Ms. Newton and carried unanimously to approve the consent agenda.

Item included in the Consent Agenda:

1. CAP Minutes- February 15, 2018

Action Agenda

Staff Attorney Jennifer Davis provided the Panel with directions for the proceedings. She also explained the public voting procedures to the Panel and the audience.

A-1 Consideration of Probationary Status: Rockbridge Montessori School, Little Rock

William Felton, Superintendent, Rockbridge Montessori School presented the Rockbridge Montessori School Probationary Report Update.

A question and answer period followed.

It was moved by Mr. Wilson, seconded by Dr. Hernandez, and carried unanimously to release the charter school from Probation and require a submission of a report to the Charter Schools Office in September to cover staffing and finance as well as a report in December to cover accountability.

Work Session

WS-1 Open-Enrollment Charter School Financial Reports

Cynthia Smith and Saliha Qazi presented a bi-annual financial status of Open-Enrollment Charters to the Panel.

A question and answer period followed.

It was moved by Ms. Newton, seconded by Dr. Williams, and carried unanimously to approve the reports.

WS-2 Charter Schools Office Updates

Alexandra Boyd presented updates to the Panel on the following:

- **2018 Meeting Dates:**
May 16; August 15-16; September 19; October 17-18; November 14; December 18-19.
- **Quest Middle School of Pine Bluff Voluntary Non-Renewal** decision with last date of school on June 30, 2018.

Next Meeting: May 16, 2018 at 8:30 AM.

Adjournment

It was moved by Dr. Williams, seconded by Dr. Hernandez, and carried unanimously to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 1:02 PM.

Minutes recorded by Freddie Scott



Dr. Ivy Pfeffer, Charter Authorizing Panel Chair