

**SACRAMENTO CITY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION**

Agenda Item 11.3

Meeting Date : December 8, 2016

Subject : Approve Resolution No. 291 4: Renewal of the Charter Petition for
St. HOPE Public Schools: Sacramento Charter High School

- Information Item Only
- Approval on Consent Agenda
- Conference (for discussion only)
- Conference/First Reading (Action Anticipated: December 8, 2016)
- Conference/Action
- Action
- Public Hearing

Division : Office of Strategy and Innovation

Recommendation : To conference and take action to approve the renewal of the charter for St. HOPE Public Schools: Sacramento Charter High School.

Background/Rationale : Sacramento City Unified School District received Sacramento Charter High School's renewal petition on September 26, 2016 (Charter petition expiration date: June 30, 2017). The Governing Board held a public hearing in accordance with Education Code S

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I. OVERVIEW / HISTORY

District Staff recommends approval of the charter renewal for St. HOPE Public Schools:
Sacramento Charter High

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- 4) The entity that granted the charter determines that the academic performance of the charter school is at least equal to the academic performance of the public schools that the charter school pupils would otherwise have been required to attend.

Due to the suspension of the majority of the California Standards Tests in 2013-14, Sacramento Charter High School does not have a 2016 Growth API. Schools that do not have a current year API calculation will use either the more recent API score, an average of the three most recent API scores, or an alternate measure that shows an increase in academic achievement (Assembly Bill 484; See Education Code sections 52052(e)(2)(F) and 52052(e)(4)). Sacramento Charter High School meets API criteria 2 and 3 as defined by AB484. Additionally, Sacramento Charter High School had 56% and 24% of their 11th grade students achieve at proficient/advance levels for the 2015-16 CAASPP ELA and Math assessments respectively while the 10th grade students achieved at the 51%

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school as the most important factor in determining whether to grant a charter renewal." Ed. Code § 47607(a)(3)(A).

A charter may be renewed an unlimited number of times; however, each renewal must be for exactly five years. (EC 47607). If a school district fails to make written factual findings to support a denial within 60 days of the district's receipt of a petition, the charter school's petition is automatically renewed. (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 5, §11966.4(c).)

The District Staff reviewed the below listed 15 required elements and the Impact on District (i.e. facilities, District oversight, etc.) in the Sacramento Charter High School renewal petition.

Elements:

- 1) Educational Program
- 2) Measurable Student Outcomes
- 3) Method by Which Pupil Progress is to be Measured
- 4) Governance Structure
- 5) Employee Qualifications
- 6) Health and Safety Procedures
- 7) Means to Achieve a Reflective Racial and Ethnic Balance
- 8) Admissions Requirements
- 9) Financial Audit
- 10) Suspension and Expulsion Procedures
- 11) Staff Retirement Systems
- 12) Attendance Alternative
- 13) Description of Employee Rights
- 14) Dispute Resolution Process
- 15) Procedure for School Closure

Although the originally submitted renewal petition included the above information required, District Staff recommended revisions and additional information to improve the petition. The changes made to the Sacramento Charter High School initial renewal petition are noted on pages 3 and 4 of the Charter School's revised renewal petition.

Based on the results of the District Staff's review process of the initial renewal petition, revised renewal petitions, initial appendix items, and additional appendix items, District Staff assessed that all fifteen elements are reasonably comprehensive individually

**SACRAMENTO CITY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
RESOLUTION NO. 2914
RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE PETITION TO RENEW THE CHARTER OF
ST. HOPE PUBLIC SCHOOLS: SACRAMENTO CHARTER HIGH SCHOOL**

WHEREAS, petitioners for St. HOPE Public Schools (“Petitioners”) submitted to Sacramento City Unified School District (“District”) a charter renewal petition (“Petition”), dated September 26, 2016 for St. HOPE Public Schools: Sacramento Charter High School; and

WHEREAS, following feedback from District staff, the Petition was revised and submitted (“Revised Petition”); and

WHEREAS, the District’s Governing Board held a public hearing on November 17, 2016 and took board action on December 8, 2016; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Board has considered the level of public support for St. HOPE Public Schools: Sacramento Charter High School and has reviewed the Revised Petition and all information received with respect to the Revised Petition, including all supporting documentation; and

WHEREAS, in reviewing the Revised Petition, the Governing Board has been guided by the intent of the California Legislature that charter schools are and should become an integral part of the California educational system and that establishment of charter schools should be encouraged; and

WHEREAS, after analysis of the Revised Petition and the related supplemental materials, the Superintendent and District staff have recommended approval of the Revised Petition.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Sacramento City Unified School District Board of Education hereby approves the Revised Petition to renew the Charter of St. HOPE Public Schools: Sacramento Charter High School for another term.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the term of the charter shall be for five (5) years, beginning on July 1, 2017 and expiring June 30, 2022.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Sacramento City Unified School District Board of Education on this 8th day of December, 2016, by the following vote:

AYES: _____
NOES: _____
ABSTAIN: _____
ABSENT: _____
ATTESTED TO:

José L. Banda