

CONSIDERATION OF CHARTER AUTHORIZING PANEL DECISIONS

Statutory Reference: Ark. Code Ann. § 6-23-703
Regulatory Reference: ADE Rules Governing Public Charter Schools-Section 9.00
Description: The statute and regulation previously noted requires the State Board of Education (State Board) to consider requests for review of Charter Authorizing Panel (Panel) decisions at its next meeting after the decisions are made. The decision of whether to review a Panel decision is discretionary. Regardless of whether a review of the Panel's decision is requested, consideration of the decision must be an action item for the next State Board meeting. At that meeting, the State Board will determine whether or not to review the Panel's decision.

Limitations: At this meeting, the State Board is to vote to review or to not review the decision made by the Charter Authorizing Panel. Any questions posed or comments made should be made to that end.

If the State Board decides to review a decision made by the Panel: the State Board shall state the specific additional information the State Board requires from the department, public charter school, public charter school applicant, or affected school district AND the review shall be held at the earlier of the next regularly scheduled State Board meeting or at a special meeting called by the State Board.