Minutes Special Charter Authorizing Panel Meeting June 11, 2019

The Charter Authorizing Panel met on Tuesday, June 11, 2019, in the Arkansas Department of Education Room 201-A. Dr. Ivy Pfeffer, Chair, called the meeting to order at 1:00 PM.

Present: Dr. Ivy Pfeffer, Phillip Baldwin, Dr. Angela Kremers, Toyce Newton (Remote), Greg Rogers, Mike Wilson (Remote)

Absent: Dr. Naccaman Williams

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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 - May 14, 2019

It was moved by Dr. Kremers, seconded by Mr. Baldwin and carried unanimously to approve the CAP minutes from May 14, 2019.

Action Agenda

A-1 Request for District Conversion Charter School Closure: Badger Academy, Beebe

Dr. Chris Nail, Superintendent, Dr. Scott Embrey, Assistant Superintendent and Dr. Rick Duff, Assistant Superintendent, called in to present their request for closure of the District Conversion Charter.

A question and answer period followed.

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

A-2 Request for District Conversion Charter School Closure: Washington Academy, Texarkana

Terry Taylor, Principal, called in to present their request for closure of the District Conversion Charter.

A question and answer period followed

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

A-3 Request for Open-Enrollment Charter School Amendment: Capital City Lighthouse Charter School, North Little Rock

LaShawnda Noel, Regional Director of Operations, presented the panel with the request for an emergency amendment to the current charter that is approved for grades K-6 to serve only grades K-5 and allow Grade 6 to transition to the Jacksonville Lighthouse Charter School campus because of the recent natural flooding disaster.

A question and answer period followed.

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

A-4 Request for Open-Enrollment Charter School Contract: ADE

Reginald Ballard, Charter Schools Office Director and Mary Claire-Hyatt presented the panel with a request for approval of a new pen-Enrollment Charter Schools Contract.

A question and answer period followed

It was moved by Mr. Wilson, seconded by Mr. Baldwin and carried on a unanimous vote to approve the Open-Enrollment Charter School Contract.

Next meeting date scheduled for August 13, 2019.

Adjournment

It was moved by Dr. Kremers, seconded by Mr. Baldwin, and carried unanimously to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 1:45 PM.

Minutes recorded by Freddie Scott
Dr. Ivy Pfeffer, Charter Authorizing Panel Chair