ARKANSAS DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Letter of Intent for an Open-Enrollment Public Charter School

1. Name of the eligible entity that is applying:

Winslow Community Center Association- a 501 (c)(3) organization.

2. Contact person's name: Julie Dilworth

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- 3. Give a description of the entity that is sponsoring the application: The WCCA mission is to provide and maintain a community center that serves the Greater Winslow area with an emphasis on education, life skills, recreation and entertainment.
- 4. Give the name of the proposed open-enrollment public charter school: Winslow School of the Arts
- 5. Describe the location of the proposed open-enrollment public and current school district: Winslow School of the Arts will be located on the former Winslow School District 20 school grounds. Winslow students are currently being bussed 17+ miles to Greenland School District as part of a consolidation in 2006.
- 6. Identify the grade levels of students intended to be served by the open-enrollment charter school: **K-12**
- 7. Identify the number of students to be served in the open-enrollment public charter school:

260

8. Provide a one-paragraph description of the purpose or special emphasis of the proposed school:

Winslow School of the Arts will employ Nature as teacher. In an increasingly urban world, nature plays a central part, but has fallen to the wayside in the education of the whole student. Direct experiences help students identify real world issues and collaboration through experimentation helps them to gain a deeper understanding of the world around them. This philosophy will be appropriately integrated with classroom units to support, reinforce and enrich the classroom curriculum to include Art, Music, Dance, Building Trades, Family and Consumer Science, Animal Husbandry, and Forestry, as well as core subjects of Science, Mathematics, Language Arts, Social Studies and Computer Science.

Respectfully yours,

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