



**Agenda IV.B.7.
February 20, 2020**

To: Board of Education, Members
Superintendent Dr. Theresa Battle

From: Guillaume Paek, Athletic Director

Date: February 4, 2020

Re: Cooperative Sponsorship Boys' Lacrosse 2019-2020

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Education approves the Non-Exclusive Cooperative Sponsorship in Boys' Lacrosse between Burnsville High School and Blue Sky Online Charter School.

Discussion

Non-Exclusive Cooperative Sponsorships are provide for online charter school students who reside across the state. MSHSL Bylaw 403 explains as follows:

Cooperative Sponsorship with Charter Schools (Non-Exclusive Cooperative Sponsorship)

Charter schools who are members of the Minnesota State High School League and who are organized as prescribed by M.S. 124E.03 may have multiple non-exclusive cooperative sponsorships in the same League-sponsored activity with public schools provided that:

A. The Charter School does not have its own team in that activity;

B. The Charter School student(s) return(s) to the public school in the attendance area of the public school where the student(s) officially resides with his/her parent(s) or guardian(s);

C. The Charter Schools, on behalf of the student(s) officially enrolled in the Charter School, comply with all of the eligibility and financial requirements prescribed by the public school in the attendance area where the student(s) officially resides with his/her parent(s) or guardian(s).

D. The boards of education of the public school(s) and the Charter School agree to cooperatively sponsor the activity and complete the required League cooperative sponsorship form(s).

The student who is at Blue Sky is a former ISD 191 student who still resides in ISD 191's attendance zone.

As a side note, provisions are naturally made for students in this exact situation who transfer and enroll in a **public online school** (not an online charter, like in this situation). Students who transfer to an online public school are allowed to participate at their home attendance school, provided that is the school that he/she came from directly.

Because this student enrolled in an online charter, the cooperative sponsorship needs to be done.