

## **Oakland Board of Education**

### **Charter Matters Committee 2025 Work Plan**

#### *Core Purpose*

Ensure that the Oakland School Board, as an authorizer of charter schools, is fulfilling its role to ensure that charter schools are serving its students adequately, serving all student groups in Oakland, and fulfilling their charters. While the full board holds ultimate decision making authority, this committee should discuss/propose changes to renewal processes, changes to oversight (such as district policies governing charters or affecting charters, including Prop 39 formulas) and be the experts on the board (receiving deep dive presentations from staff and comment from community about important issues such as academics, discipline, special education and student demographics). This "pre-work" can lead to crafting board policy with staff and community to bring to the full board of education for consideration.

#### *Scope*

Within scope - creating a vision/framework for being a responsible charter authorizer which includes (but not limited to) data and policy reviews, updates on material revisions, renewals/non-renewals and appeals, significant governance and fiscal concerns and proposing changes to or creating new policy. Outside scope - policy implementation and staff oversight.

#### *Objectives*

- Renewal process - we just had 9 renewals and will have 6 more this fall. This committee ought to review lessons learned and consider changes to policy to give the board the tools it needs to fulfill its statutory obligations.
- Education - this committee should have a regular update on charter schools, including enrollment, demographic data, attendance and discipline, special education, academic progress, finances, teacher vacancies and credentialing. I would also propose that we receive a staff report annually on any significant financial concerns (which includes significant underenrollment) or academic concerns.
- The sequence would likely be guided by statutory processes. Monthly verbal reports to include any prop 39 updates, updates of notices of concern that have been issued, material revisions or other timely updates as needed

#### Calendar:

##### February

- Adopt workplan
- OCS verbal report
- Charter spotlight

##### March

- OCS verbal update
- Charter spotlight

#### April

- OCS verbal update
- Benchmark presentation
- Charter spotlight

#### May

- OCS verbal update
- Update on 2024-2025 Notices of Concern
- Update on 2024-2025 Enrollment Data
- Charter spotlight

#### June

- Discuss board process for renewals
- Charter spotlight

#### July - OFF

#### August

- Charter spotlight (if needed)
- Review renewal process
- Review annual data
- Confirm dates of November and December meeting

#### September

- OCS verbal update

#### October

- OCS verbal update
- Discuss state legislative priorities or proposals

#### November

- OCS verbal update
- Adopt state legislative priorities or proposals to bring before full BOE

#### December

- OCS verbal report
- Review renewals, anticipated appeals
- Review Prop 39 requests