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Board Memorandum

To Committee on Charter Matters, Board of Education

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Meeting Date March 4, 2021

Subject Update on Notices of Concern Issued to Charter Schools

Ask of the Board Discussion

Background **Notices of Concern:** The Office of Charter Schools issues Notices of Concern to charter schools and charter management organizations when there is substantial reason to believe that a violation of law has occurred, that the school has violated the terms of its Board-approved charter petition, or that there is a financial concern.

In 2019-20, the Office of Charter Schools issued 15 Notices of Concern. At the time of the update given to the Charter Committee on February 27, 2020, 2 of the Notices were unresolved. As of this time (February 24, 2021), 1 of the 15 Notices is in progress towards a resolution and the others have been resolved. As of this time (February 24, 2021), the Office of Charter Schools has not yet issued any Notices of Concern for the 2020-21 school year.

Discussion None

Fiscal Impact No fiscal impact.

Attachment(s)

- Appendix I: Summary of 2019-20 Notices of Concern

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Date of Notice	CMO	School	Category	Description of Concern	Status (as of 2/24/21)
2/14/20	AMPS	--	Brown Act Violation	Irregularities in posting agenda for 12/3/19 board meeting. It appeared that the meeting may have canceled and then retroactively uncanceled.	Resolved
2/6/20	AIMS	--	Infringement on District Space	Workers hired by AIMS entered a District office without permission to paint the facility.	Resolved
2/5/20	--	ARISE	Suspension/Expulsion Policy	Failed to provide notice of expulsion hearing to OCS.	Resolved
12/18/19	--	NOCCS	Disenrollment of Students	School disenrolled students after 5 days absent without contact to school.	Resolved
12/17/19	--	OMI	Brown Act Violations	School did not respond to a PRA request within the required 10-day time limit	Resolved
12/16/19	AMPS	--	Failure to Respond to Directives Issued by the District	AMPS failed to provide phase 2 documentation required by previous communication regarding special education services. Deadline for phase 2 documentation was December 2, 2019.	Resolved
12/3/19	LPS	LPS Oakland R & D	Suspension/Expulsion Policy	Family was not provided advance notice of expulsion hearing. School was unable to provide documentation that family waived the right to the advance notice.	Resolved
11/20/19	--	COVAH	Brown Act Violations	9/23/19 board meeting agenda was not publicly posted on website.	Resolved
10/28/19	--	COVAH	Brown Act Violations	10/28/19 board meeting agenda was not publicly posted on website.	Resolved
10/24/19	--	ARISE	Brown Act Violations	10/22/19 board meeting was not publicly accessible.	Resolved
10/18/19	--	OMI	Brown Act Violations	10/7/19 Board meeting was not publicly accessible.	Resolved
9/20/19	--	OMI	Facilities Use Agreement	OMI is renting space at the Longfellow Campus to Shouren Chinese School, a violation of its FUA	Resolved

9/20/19	--	OMI	Fiscal Deficiencies	Poor financial standing with a 5-6 month deficit spending of \$2.8 million	Resolved
8/2/19	--	OMI	Admissions Requirements	Two practices which may have a discriminatory impact on certain groups applying to the school: parents are required to attend a parent orientation meeting, students must successfully complete a summer program prior to being fully admitted as cadets.	In Progress
7/24/19	--	OMI	Suspension/ Expulsion Policy	Failed to provide OCS with required notice and documentation for expulsion hearing	Resolved