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**OAKLAND UNIFIED
SCHOOL DISTRICT**
Community Schools, Thriving Students

Board Cover Memorandum

To Board of Education

From Charters Committee
Shanthi Gonzales, Board President
Mike Hutchinson, Board Member
Clifford Thompson, Board Member

Meeting Date March 10, 2021

Subject Resolution No. 2021-0039 - Changing the Process by Which Charter School Petitions, Renewals, and Material Revisions are Brought to the Board of Education

Ask of the Board Adoption of Resolution No. 2021-0039 - Changing the Process by Which Charter School Petitions, Renewals, and Material Revisions are Brought to the Board of Education as a new legislation matter

Background Under the District's current process, charter school petitions, renewals, and material revisions come forward to the Board of Education with a recommendation from the Office of Charter Schools (OCS) to approve or deny. On a few occasions, the Board has voted against the recommendation of the OCS

Discussion This Resolution directs the Superintendent or designee to draft revisions to current Board Policy regarding the process by which charter school petitions, renewals, and material revisions come before the Board, including the option of not offering staff recommendations. The Resolution further directs the Superintendent to bring forth such proposed changes for consideration by the Board within 60 days of the adoption of the Resolution.

The Charters Committee heard this matter on March 4, 2021, and recommended adoption of the Resolution by the Board.

Fiscal Impact There will be no direct fiscal impact from this Resolution as it simply tasks the Superintendent or designee with proposing changes to current Board Policy.

Attachment(s)

- Resolution No. 2021-0039 - Changing the Process by Which Charter School Petitions, Renewals, and Material Revisions are Brought to the Board of Education

**RESOLUTION OF THE
BOARD OF EDUCATION
OAKLAND UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT**

Resolution No. 2021-0039

**Changing the Process by Which Charter School Petitions, Renewals, and Material Revisions are
Brought to the Board of Education**

WHEREAS, it is the role of the Board of Education (“Board”) to approve or deny charter school petitions, renewals, and material revisions;

WHEREAS, the Board recognizes and values the Office of Charter Schools (“OCS”) and its staff, who are highly regarded statewide for their innovative practices and expertise;

WHEREAS, the current OCS practice is to provide the Board with both positive and critical information concerning the strengths and weaknesses of, as well as a recommendation to approve or deny charter school petitions, renewals, and material revisions; and

WHEREAS, in the past, the OCS has made recommendations to approve or deny charter school petitions, renewals, and material revisions that were inconsistent with the ultimate decision by the Board.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Board seeks to modify the process by which charter school petitions, renewals, and material revisions come before the Board, including the option of not offering staff recommendations; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Board hereby directs the Superintendent or designee to bring forth, for consideration by the Board within sixty (60) days from the date of adoption of this Resolution, modifications to current Board Policy regarding charter school petitions, renewals, and material revisions that would effectuate this Resolution.

PASSED AND ADOPTED on March 10, 2021, by the Governing Board of the Oakland Unified School District by the following vote:

PREFERENTIAL AYE: Jessica Ramos (Student Director)

PREFERENTIAL NOE: None

PREFERENTIAL ABSTENTION: None

PREFERENTIAL RECUSE: None

AYES: Aimee Eng, VanCedric Williams, Mike Hutchinson, Vice President Benjamin "Sam" Davis,
and President Shanthi Gonzales

NOES: Gary Yee

ABSTAINED: Clifford Thompson

RECUSED: None

ABSENT: Samantha Pal (Student Director)

CERTIFICATION

We hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of a Resolution passed at a Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of the Oakland Unified School District held on _____
March 10, 2021.

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