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Dear Mr. Avalos, Mrs. Rivera – Tapia and Mr. Parker:

Thank you for submitting your team's application for a new charter school. As you know, the application will be on the Public Education Commission's (PEC) August agenda in Santa Fe, New Mexico. The PEC may approve, approve with conditions, or deny the charter application.

To assist you in your team's preparation for the PEC meeting, the PEC wanted to outline questions or concerns that have arisen in the review of your application by the peer review, capacity interview team, community input hearing, the Charter School Division (CSD), and PEC Commissioner review. The CSD will provide a recommendation to the PEC on your application as well.

The PEC may ask questions regarding any part of the application packet, including:

- your application,
- the reviews and recommendations provided, and

- the recommendation by CSD.

However, please be prepared to address the areas listed below. Please note that the PEC is not requesting, nor will accept, new information at this point in the process.

Areas of specific focus are:

From the Peer Review Findings

### Does Not Meet

J. (2) Food Services
Appendix F. 910B5
Appendix G. 5 Year Budget Plan
C. (2) Appropriate Financial Staff

### Approaches

A. (1) Mission
A. (3) Uniqueness and Innovation
B. Mission Specific Goals
C. Curriculum, Educational Program, Student Performance Standards
D. (2) Equity Plan
F. (3) Schedule Narrative
G. (1a) Special Education: Students with IEPs
G. (1b) Special Education: Progress Monitoring
G.(2a) English Learners: Curriculum & Instruction
G.(3) ESSA and Special Population Needs
A.(1) Governance Structure
A. (2) Governing Board Qualifications
A. (3) Governing Board Recruitment

B. (1) Annual Board Training Plan
C. (1) Board Oversight Monitoring Plan
C. (2) Hiring Head Administrator
C. (3) Governing Board Roles & Responsibilities
D. (1) Organizational Chart and Narrative
D. (2) Job Descriptions
D. (3) Staffing Plan
E. Conditions of Employment
G. (1) Student Outreach & Recruitment
G. (2) Lottery Process
K. (2) Evidence of Researched Facility
B (3) Budget Narrative
(B4) Budget Adjustments
C. (1) Internal Control Procedures
C. (3) Governing Board Fiduciary Oversight

**Questions from CSD staff:**

**Questions from PEC members:**

On behalf of the Commission, I thank you for your efforts.

Sincerely,

/s/ Rebekka Burt

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