

## AGENDA ITEM EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- I. Public Education Commission Meeting Date: January 13, 2017
- II. Item Title: Report From Options For Parents & The Charter School Division--Discussion And Possible Actions - Notice Item Only
  - D. Report on Renewal Transfers of PEC Authorized Schools
    - i. Cien Aguas International School
    - ii. International School at Mesa Del Sol
    - iii. La Resolana Leadership Academy
    - iv. William W. & Josephine Dorn Charter Community School

### III. Executive Summary:

- i. Cien Aguas International School –

Cien Aguas International School was renewed by APS for a term of five years, effective July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2022 with the following conditions:

- The school shall provide a plan to the APS Director of Charter Schools on how they will support students through a continuum of service, in compliance with the Federal Individual with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) by May 2017. The Director will review the plan with the Special Education Support Principal for Charter Schools.
- The school shall provide a corrective action plan on audit findings to the APS Director of Charter Schools by March 2017. This shall include a long-term plan to eliminate repeat findings and the total number of audit findings. The Director will review the plan with the APS Finance Manager for Charter Schools.
- The school shall provide a plan to the APS Director of Charter Schools on professional development and networking opportunities regarding state financing for the Director, Business Manager, Finance/Audit Committee members by March 2017. The Director will review the plan with the APS Finance Manager for Charter Schools.

The APS Charter School Director will negotiate a contract per § 22-8B-9 (NMSA 1978) Charter School Contracts and § 22-8B-9.1 (NMSA 1978) Performance Contract by January 16, 2017 and will take that contract to the APS Board of Education for approval as soon as applicable.

**ALBUQUERQUE PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
ACTION MEMO**

Policy and Instruction Committee Meeting of December 14, 2016  
**Board of Education Meeting of December 16, 2016**

- TO:** Albuquerque Public Schools (APS) Board of Education
- REQUESTED ACTION:** Consideration for Approval of the Renewal Application of Cien Aguas International School and Negotiation of Contract, Including Performance Framework (Discussion/Action)
- BACKGROUND:** The Cien Aguas International School has applied for renewal with the APS Board of Education. A seven-member team has reviewed the renewal application, completed a site visit, and finds that the school has complied with § 22-8B-12J (NMSA 1978) Charter School Renewals and the APS Procedural Directive on Charter Renewals.
- The team recommends that the APS Board of Education renew the contract for five years, effective July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2022 with the following conditions:
- The school shall provide a plan to the APS Director of Charter Schools on how they will support students through a continuum of service, in compliance with the Federal Individual with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) by May 2017. The Director will review the plan with the Special Education Support Principal for Charter Schools.
  - The school shall provide a corrective action plan on audit findings to the APS Director of Charter Schools by March 2017. This shall include a long-term plan to eliminate repeat findings and the total number of audit findings. The Director will review the plan with the APS Finance Manager for Charter Schools.
  - The school shall provide a plan to the APS Director of Charter Schools on professional development and networking opportunities regarding state financing for the Director, Business Manager, Finance/Audit Committee members by March 2017. The Director will review the plan with the APS Finance Manager for Charter Schools.
- The APS Charter School Director will negotiate a contract per § 22-8B-9 (NMSA 1978) Charter School Contracts and § 22-8B-9.1 (NMSA 1978) Performance Contract by January 16, 2017 and will bring to the APS Board of Education for approval as soon as applicable.

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ii. International School at Mesa Del Sol –

The International School at Mesa del Sol Charter School was renewed by APS for a term of five years, effective July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2022 with the following conditions:

- The school shall provide a plan including a timeline to become an International Baccalaureate (IB) Middle Years Programme (MYP) or clearly communicate that they are not an approved IB MYP by March 2017 to the APS Director of Charter Schools.
- The school shall provide a plan for their expansion to eleventh grade, including course offerings and a timeline to become an IB Diploma Program by March 2017 to the APS Director of Charter Schools.

The APS Charter School Director will negotiate a contract per § 22-8B-9 (NMSA 1978) Charter School Contracts and § 22-8B-9.1 (NMSA 1978) Performance Contract by January 16, 2017 and will take that contract to the APS Board of Education for approval as soon as applicable.

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**TO:** Albuquerque Public Schools (APS) Board of Education

**REQUESTED ACTION:** Consideration for Approval of the Renewal Application of The International School at Mesa del Sol Charter School and Negotiation of Contract Including Performance Framework (Discussion/Action)

**BACKGROUND:** The International School at Mesa del Sol Charter School has applied for renewal with the Albuquerque Public Schools Board of Education. A seven-member team has reviewed the renewal application, completed a site visit, and finds that the school has complied with § 22-8B-12J (NMSA 1978) Charter School Renewals and the APS Procedural Directive on Charter Renewals.

The team recommends that the APS Board of Education renew the contract for five years, effective July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2022 with the following conditions:

- The school shall provide a plan including a timeline to become an International Baccalaureate (IB) Middle Years Programme (MYP) or clearly communicate that they are not an approved IB MYP by March 2017 to the APS Director of Charter Schools.
- The school shall provide a plan for their expansion to eleventh grade, including course offerings and a timeline to become an IB Diploma Program by March 2017 to the APS Director of Charter Schools.

The APS Charter School Director will negotiate a contract per § 22-8B-9 (NMSA 1978) Charter School Contracts and § 22-8B-9.1 (NMSA 1978) Performance Contract by January 16, 2017 and will bring to the APS Board of Education for approval as soon as applicable.

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iii. La Resolana Leadership Academy-

La Resolana Leadership Academy's renewal application was denied by APS. APS indicates its decision was based on a finding that the school "Failed to meet generally accepted standards of fiscal management." Specifically, APS found that the school "has a deficit of \$210,032.58 of their total budget of \$822,461.24." Further, the APS Director of Charter Schools met with the Director of La Resolana Leadership Academy and the school's finance manager on November 22, 2016 to discuss a plan to deal with the deficit during the current fiscal year and to project a budget for the 2017-18 school year and the school did not present any plan.

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**TO:** Albuquerque Public Schools Board of Education

**REQUESTED ACTION:** Consideration for Denial of the Renewal Application of La Resolana Leadership Academy (Discussion/Action)

**BACKGROUND:** La Resolana Leadership Academy has applied for renewal with the Albuquerque Public Schools Board of Education. A seven-member team has reviewed the renewal application, completed a site visit, and recommends Non-Renewal of the Charter based on § 22-8B-12J (NMSA 1978) Charter School Renewals “*K. A charter may be suspended, revoked or not renewed by the chartering authority if the chartering authority determines that the charter school did any of the following... (3) failed to meet generally accepted standards of fiscal management*” and the APS Procedural Directive on Charter Renewals, “*The Board of Education may deny a renewal application if the Board of Education determines that the locally authorized charter school committed any of the following actions... Failed to meet generally accepted standards of fiscal management.*”

The school currently has a deficit of \$210,032.58 of their total budget of \$822,461.24. The APS Director of Charter Schools met with the Director of La Resolana Leadership Academy and the school’s finance manager on November 22, 2016 to discuss a plan to deal with the deficit during the current fiscal year and to project a budget for the 2017-18 school year. No plan was presented.

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iv. William W. & Josephine Dorn Charter Community School -

William W. & Josephine Dorn Charter Community School was renewed by APS for a term of three years, effective July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2020 with the following conditions:

- The school shall provide a plan to increase enrollment to address the financial concerns of liquidity by April 2017 to the APS Director of Charter Schools. The Director will review it with the APS Finance Manager of Charter Schools.
- The school shall provide a plan in ensuring compliance with the New Mexico Governmental Conduct Act §10-16-1 et. seq. NMSA 1978 by April 2017 to the APS Director of Charter Schools. This should specifically address the evaluation of family members. The Director will review it with the APS Director of Policy and Government Affairs.
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- The school shall develop a strategic academic plan focusing on increasing reading and math achievement, including a detailed professional development plan to the APS Director of Charter Schools by April 2017. The Director will review the plan with the APS Executive Director of Innovation, APS Service Center Administrator, and a Charter School Leader and will provide feedback on the plan.

- The school shall develop a plan to come into compliance with the New Mexico Opening Meetings Act regarding posting of Governing Council agenda's and minutes to the APS Director of Charter Schools by March, 2017. The Director will review it with the APS Director of Policy and Government Affairs.

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**REQUESTED ACTION:** Consideration for Approval of the Renewal Application of William W. and Josephine Dorn Community Charter School and Negotiation of Contract Including Performance Framework (Discussion/Action)

**BACKGROUND:** The William W. and Josephine Dorn Community Charter School has applied for renewal with the Albuquerque Public Schools Board of Education. A seven-member team has reviewed the renewal application, completed a site visit, and finds that the school has complied with § 22-8B-12J (NMSA 1978) Charter School Renewals and the APS Procedural Directive on Charter Renewals.

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