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## Meeting Notice

### Advisory Commission on Charter Schools

*An advisory body to the State Board of Education*

Established October 2001

(Item 14, October 2001 State Board of Education Agenda)

Friday, November 16, 2001

10:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Auditorium (Room 1098 West)  
Employment Development Department  
722 Capitol Mall  
Sacramento, California  
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### AGENDA

Call to Order  
Welcome and Introductions  
Organizational Matters  
Review/Re-ordering of the Meeting Agenda

#### Background Presentation: California's Experience with Charter Schools.

This presentation will include a briefing on key provisions of California's *Charter Schools Act of 1992*, significant changes that have been made to the *Charter Schools Act* in the years since its enactment, and current data about charter schools (e.g., the number of charter schools authorized to operate and actually operating in the state, the number of students served in charter schools, and the achievement of students in charter schools).

#### Responsibilities of the Advisory Commission on Charter Schools.

The provisions of Senate Bill 740 (O'Connell), Chapter 892, Statutes of 2001, and the message issued by Governor Gray Davis in signing the bill into law will be reviewed and discussed. The provisions of State Board of Education Policy 01-04, which established the Advisory Commission on Charter Schools, will also be reviewed and discussed.

#### Funding of Nonclassroom-Based Instruction in Charter Schools: Development of Regulations.

The Advisory Commission on Charter Schools will provide guidance to the State Board of Education on the matter of funding nonclassroom-based instruction in charter schools and the development of regulations pertaining thereto. Senate Bill 740 amends *Education Code* Section 47612.5 (effective January 1, 2002) to allow charter schools to receive funding for nonclassroom-based instruction only to the extent authorized by the State Board. SB 740 will also permit the State Board to establish conditions or limitations on the funding and require the State Board to adopt regulations (by February 1, 2001) that "define and establish general rules governing nonclassroom-based instruction that apply to all charter schools and to the process for determining funding of nonclassroom-based instruction" with certain exceptions. Considerable discussion is anticipated, as well as the possible adoption of a plan and timeline for development of the regulations. Action may be taken as the members of the Advisory Commission on Charter Schools deem necessary and appropriate.

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### Granting of Charter School Petitions by the State Board of Education.

Current law authorizes the State Board of Education to grant charter school petitions that have been denied, revoked, or not renewed at the local level. The State Board has requested that the Advisory Commission on Charter Schools provide guidance on the process by which petitions are considered (as well as whether the State Board should approve individual petitions) and the process of oversight of schools that are chartered by the State Board. Some discussion is anticipated, as well as the possible adoption of a timeline for further consideration of this area. Action may be taken as the members of the Advisory Commission on Charter Schools deem necessary and appropriate.

### Taking of Appropriate Action Regarding (Including Revocation of) School Charters.

Based on the recommendations of the State Superintendent of Public Instruction, current law authorizes the State Board of Education to “take appropriate action, including, but not limited to revocation” of a school’s charter for specified reasons, both financial and educational. The State Board has request that the Advisory Commission on Charter Schools provide guidance on the exercise of this authority to the State Superintendent and the State Board. Some discussion is anticipated, as well as the possible adoption of a timeline for further consideration of this area. Action may be taken as the members of the Advisory Commission on Charter Schools deem necessary and appropriate.

### Public Comment.

As the above-outlined matters are considered, it is anticipated that public comment will be taken subject to any limitations that the Commission Chair may establish at the time of the meeting. In addition, at the end of the meeting, reasonable opportunity will be provided for the public to comment on matters not otherwise considered during the meeting.

### Future Meeting Schedule.

It is anticipated that the members of the Advisory Commission on Charter Schools will set a schedule for future meetings and/or establish a process for the setting of future meetings.

### Adjournment

#### THE ORDER OF BUSINESS MAY BE CHANGED WITHOUT NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the order of consideration of matters on this agenda may be changed without prior notice.

#### REASONABLE LIMITATIONS MAY BE PLACED ON PUBLIC TESTIMONY

The Commission Chair reserves the right to impose reasonable time limits on public testimony to ensure that the agenda is completed.

#### SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS MAY BE MADE

Notice is hereby given that, consistent with the requirements of the *Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act*, special presentations not mentioned in the agenda may be made at this meeting. However, any such presentation will be for information only.

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