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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 30, 2001, and

Wednesday, December 19, 2001

10:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

State Capitol Building, Rooms 112/113/3191

Sacramento, California

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AGENDA FOR BOTH DAYS

Call to Order

Welcome and Introductions

Organizational Matters (as necessary)

Review/Re-ordering of the Meeting Agenda

The primary focus of the Advisory Commission on Charter Schools at both of these meetings is anticipated to be implementation of the provisions of Senate Bill 740 (Chapter 892, Statutes of 2001) pertaining to nonclassroom-based instruction in charter schools.

Funding of Nonclassroom-Based Instruction in Charter Schools.

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. Action may be taken as the members of the Advisory Commission on Charter Schools deem necessary and appropriate.

The Advisory Commission on Charter Schools may also consider other areas of the State Board’s responsibilities for charter schools as identified in State Board of Education Policy 01-04. With regard to each of these areas, the Advisory Commission may take action as the members deem necessary and appropriate. The subjects may include, but not be limited to:

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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.

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.

Public comment will be entertained at both days’ meetings. At the direction of the Commission Chair, depending on the situation, public comment may be incorporated into the consideration of the agenda items. At the end of the meetings, reasonable opportunity will be provided for public comment.

Future Meeting Schedule.

The Advisory Commission on Charter Schools is expected to set a schedule for future meetings and/or establish a process for the setting of meetings beyond the two included in this notice.

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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