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Meeting Minutes

CHARTER SCHOOL REVIEW COMMITTEE

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**Ruben Burgos, Samuel L. Coleman, Desiree Pointer-Mace,
Raynetta Hill and Aycha Sawa**

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5:00 PM

City Hall, Room 301-B

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Meeting convened: 5:02 P.M.

1. Roll Call.

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*Members present: Kevin Ingram, Raynetta Hill, Desiree Pointer-Mace, Joyce Mallory,
Ruben Burgos, Aycha Sawa
Member excused: Sam Coleman*

2. Review and approval of the minutes of March 30th.

Ms. Pointer-Mace moved, seconded by Ms. Sawa for approval of the minutes. There were no objections.

3. [201610](#)

Communication relating to The Institute for Preservation of African American Music and Arts (IPAMA)

Ms. Peay said that each member will provide his or her score and she will total up the scores. If less than 50% is achieved for either scoring section, the school will not be recommended for approval. Even if the score is achieved, the Committee may not recommend approval if it feels a school will not meet educational goals.

The Committee may accept, deny or recommend re-submittal of the application.

SECTION 1:

School governance (Mission and Vision):

*Mr. Ingram - 3
Ms. Mallory - 3
Mr. Burgos - 5
Ms. Hill - 3
Ms. Sawa - 3
Ms. Pointer-Mace - 3*

Governance:

*Mr. Ingram - 6
Ms. Mallory - 6
Mr. Burgos - 6
Ms. Hill - 6
Ms. Sawa - 6
Ms. Pointer-Mace - 6*

Operational and Fiscal Management:

*Mr. Ingram - 5
Ms. Mallory - 5
Mr. Burgos - 4
Ms. Hill - 4
Ms. Sawa - 5
Ms. Pointer-Mace - 4*

Budget:

*Mr. Ingram - 9
Ms. Mallory - 10
Mr. Burgos - 10
Ms. Hill - 10
Ms. Sawa - 10
Ms. Pointer-Mace - 10*

Facilities:

*Mr. Ingram - 3
Ms. Mallory - 3
Mr. Burgos - 3
Ms. Hill - 3
Ms. Sawa - 3
Ms. Pointer-Mace - 3*

Total: 160 points

Average score is 26.5 so can proceed to Section 2

SECTION 2

Educational program:

*Mr. Ingram - 7
Ms. Mallory - 8
Mr. Burgos - 9
Ms. Hill - 6
Ms. Sawa - 8*

Ms Pointer-Mace - 5

Educational Assessment/Results assessment

Mr. Ingram - 5

Ms. Mallory - 5

Mr. Burgos - 7

Ms. Hill - 4

Ms. Sawa - 6

Ms. Pointer-Mace - 4

Staffing and Qualification of Teaching Staff

Mr. Ingram - 7

Ms. Mallory - 9

Mr. Burgos - 7

Ms. Hill - 6

Ms. Sawa - 8

Ms. Pointer-Mace - 5

Admissions Requirements:

Mr. Ingram - 3

Ms. Mallory - 3

Mr. Burgos - 4

Ms. Hill - 3

Ms. Sawa - 4

Ms. Pointer-Mace - 3

Discipline Procedures:

Mr. Ingram - 3

Ms. Mallory - 3

Mr. Burgos - 2

Ms. Hill - 2

Ms. Sawa - 3

Ms. Pointer-Mace - 2

Plan to Educate Children with Disabilities:

Mr. Ingram - 2

Ms. Mallory - 3

Mr. Burgos - 3

Ms. Hill - 2

Ms. Sawa - 2

Ms. Pointer-Mace - 2

Average score of 27.5 which is exactly half of the 55 points. Cumulative score of 54 points out of 95 total points.

Ms. Mallory was a little disappointed with the submittal information that was presented as the Commission gave concise recommendations, but the school seemed to have no clear vision or thread, as well as no consideration relating to low-performing students who have really suffered under COVID. She is also not supportive of transporting students between campuses as that results in lost-instruction time. Arts schools can work but this school has high-school students on a bus 30% of the time. She just didn't see "this is going to be better outcomes" than existing schools. She would also encourage them to NOT open a school with all grade levels. They need to

grow their grades year after year as they retain their students.

Ms. Pointer-Mace agrees completely with Ms. Mallory and she empathizes with the proposers and she was excited about seeing a school the infused arts throughout the school. She didn't get a sense of how arts are truly incorporated within the curriculum; there was a lack of specificity that was a gap for her. She is also concerned how brand-new teachers will be supported, both artists and teachers learning either arts or teaching.

If re-submitting, that would probably be for next cycle, which would be the first week of January.

Final recommendation:

Mr. Burgos moved to deny. Mr. Burgos rescinded his motion to deny. He has major issues with all the busing and the school's ability to recruit and retain teachers.

Ms. Mallory moved to re-submit for the next cycle, seconded by Ms. Pointer-Mace. There were no objections.

Ms. Mallory acknowledged all the hard work put in by the proposer and she encouraged them to re-submit and "hit it out of the park".

Meeting adjourned: 5:53 P.M.

Linda M. Elmer

Staff Assistant

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