



MEMORANDUM

March 3, 2026

To: Members of the Charter Schools Committee

From: Joseph W. Belluck, Chair, Charter Schools Committee

Subject: Approval of the Application for Charter Renewal of Capital Prep Charter Schools NY Authority to Operate Capital Preparatory Harlem Charter School

Action Requested

The proposed resolution, pursuant to New York Education Law § 2851(4), authorizes the of renewal of authority of Capital Prep Charter Schools NY, a not-for-profit charter school education corporation, to operate one of its charters, Capital Preparatory Harlem Charter School, for a full term of five years with conditions.

Resolution

I recommend the Charter Schools Committee adopt the following resolution:

Whereas the Board of Trustees, has granted Capital Prep Charters Schools NY (the “Education Corporation”) the authority to operate more than one charter including Capital Preparatory Harlem Charter School (the “School”); and

Whereas the Charter Schools Committee, acting on behalf of the Board of Trustees, as required by Subdivision 2851(4)(e), has considered, prior to approval of the application for charter renewal, the means by which the School will meet or exceed the enrollment and retention targets of students with disabilities, English language learners, and students who are eligible applicants for the federal Free and Reduced Price Lunch program as set forth in the applications, which targets were prescribed by the State University of New York Charter Schools Institute (the “Institute”) on behalf of the Board of Trustees; now, therefore, be it

Resolved that the Education Corporation's application for renewal of authority to operate the School, be, and hereby is, approved to the extent, and as limited and restricted herein, for a full term of five years through and including June 30, 2031 subject to the following conditions:

- The School must meet or exceed the targets set forth in the majority of the Accountability Plan measures for 3rd – 8th grade under its mathematics goal in at least three of five years of the upcoming Accountability Period;

and, be it further

Resolved that, upon a review of the Education Corporation's application for renewal of its authority to operate the School, the Committee finds that the Education Corporation has sufficiently demonstrated that renewal should be granted, as limited and restricted, based on the criteria laid out in Education Law § 2852(2); and, be it further

Resolved that the Institute, on behalf of the Board of Trustees, be, and hereby is, directed to: 1) enter into a proposed renewal charter with the Education Corporation in accordance with this resolution, which shall include such assurances and terms as the Institute shall deem necessary and appropriate; and, 2) thereafter, submit the proposed renewal charter to the New York State Board of Regents for review, comment, and potential approval.

Background

The New York Charter Schools Act of 1998 permits the Board of Trustees to renew the charters of education corporations it has authorized and to renew such corporations' authority to operate charters. Pursuant to Resolution No. 2012-038, dated June 12, 2012, the Board of Trustees delegated authority to renew charters to the Charter Schools Committee.

Pursuant to the *Policies for the Renewal of Not-for-Profit Charter School Education Corporations and Charter Schools Authorized by the Board of Trustees of the State University of New York* (the "SUNY Renewal Policies") (last amended September 4, 2013, and available at: <https://www.newyorkcharters.org/wp-content/uploads/SUNY-Renewal-Policies.pdf>), the Institute generally conducts a renewal site visit; reviews the information in the renewal application as well as other relevant information such as assessment data and site visit reports;

interviews education corporation trustees and staff; and produces a draft renewal report containing its findings and preliminary recommendation. The draft renewal report also contains an evaluation of the performance of an education corporation's charter over the charter term based on the criteria provided in the renewal benchmarks described in the SUNY Renewal Policies. The education corporation receives a copy of the draft renewal report and is given an opportunity to comment on it before it is finalized. The Institute makes final renewal reports available in its Albany office and at: <http://www.suny.edu/about/leadership/board-of-trustees/meetings/meetingNotices.cfm>. Copies of applications for charter renewal are on file in the Albany office of the Institute.

As set forth in the Institute's Renewal Report, which was distributed to the Board of Trustees, for Capital Preparatory Harlem Charter School, which is operated by Capital Prep Charter Schools NY, the Institute conducted a renewal review of the School pursuant to the SUNY Renewal Policies. As a result of this review, the Institute recommends the Education Corporation's application for renewal of its authority to operate the School be granted for full terms of five years with conditions.

For the charter listed above, the Institute properly notified the school district in which the School is located regarding the receipt of the application for renewal of authority to operate the School. As of February 23, 2026, no comments were received.