Minutes of a Meeting of the Charter Schools Committee of the Board of Trustees of the State University of New York held on Tuesday, March 10, 2020

Pursuant to notice of meeting duly given on March 3, 2020, the Charter Schools Committee of the State University of New York Board of Trustees met at the SUNY Global Center, 116 East 55th Street, New York, New York.

Committee Members Present:
Mr. Joseph Belluck, Chair
Mr. Eric Corngold
Mr. Edward Spiro
Dr. Merryl Tisch, Chair, SUNY Board of Trustees

Not Present:
Mr. Robert Duffy

Others Present:
Ms. Susie Miller Carello, Committee Liaison
Mr. Ralph Rossi, Committee Counsel

The Charter Schools Committee was called to order by Trustee Belluck at 10:39 a.m. on Tuesday, March 10, 2020. The Committee actions are listed below:

A. Approval of Minutes

The Committee unanimously approved the minutes of the February 11, 2020 meeting without amendment upon motion by Trustee Corngold and second by Trustee Spiro.

B. Committee Resolutions

Applications for Charter Renewal and Revision

Upon motion by Trustee Spiro and second by Trustee Corngold, the Committee unanimously voted to approve the following resolutions:

- Approval of the Application for Renewal of Authority to Operate Achievement First Apollo Charter School (Brooklyn) (Resolution No. 11-2020); and,
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- Approval of the Application for Renewal of Authority to Operate Achievement First Endeavor Charter School (Brooklyn) (Resolution No. 12-2020).

  Upon motion by Trustee Spiro and second by Trustee Corngold, the Committee unanimously voted to approve the following resolution:

- Approval of the Application for Renewal of Authority to Operate Elmwood Village Charter School Days Park (Buffalo) (Resolution No. 13-2020).

  Upon motion by Trustee Spiro and second by Trustee Corngold, the Committee unanimously voted to approve the following resolution:


  Upon motion by Trustee Spiro and second by Trustee Corngold, the Committee unanimously voted to approve the following resolution:

- Approval of the Application for Renewal of Authority to Operate Girls Preparatory Charter School of New York (Manhattan) (Resolution No. 15-2020).

  Upon motion by Trustee Spiro and second by Trustee Corngold, the Committee unanimously voted to approve the following resolution:

- Approval of the Application for Charter Renewal of Harlem Village Academy East Charter School (Manhattan) (Resolution No. 16-2020).

  Upon motion by Trustee Spiro and second by Trustee Corngold, the Committee unanimously voted to approve the following resolution:


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- Approval of the Application for Charter Renewal of International Leadership Charter High School (Bronx) (Resolution No. 18-2020).

  Upon motion by Trustee Corngold and second by Trustee Spiro, the Committee unanimously voted to approve the following resolution:


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  Upon motion by Trustee Spiro and second by Trustee Corngold, the Committee unanimously voted to approve the following resolution:

- Resubmission to the Board of Regents of Proposed Revision to the Charter of Success Academy Charter Schools - NYC (Resolution No. 22-2020), which resubmits without modifications the applications for charter renewal for the following schools:
  - Success Academy Charter School – Bed Stuy 2;
  - Success Academy Charter School – Bushwick;
  - Success Academy Charter School – Cobble Hill;
  - Success Academy Charter School – Far Rockaway;
  - Success Academy Charter School – Flatbush;
  - Success Academy Charter School – South Jamaica; and,
  - Success Academy Charter School – Williamsburg.

  Upon motion by Trustee Spiro and second by Trustee Corngold, the Committee unanimously voted to approve the following resolution:

- Approval of Planning Years for Uncommon New York City Charter School #1 (Resolution No. 21-2020).

C. Adjournment

At 12:16 p.m., upon motion by Trustee Spiro and second by Trustee Corngold, the Committee unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting until 12:30 p.m.

D. Reconvening

At 12:48 p.m., the Charter Schools Committee reconvened with the same members present, constituting a quorum.

E. Hearing

From approximately 12:50 p.m. to 1:10 p.m., representatives of the SUNY Charter Schools Institute presented information to the Committee regarding the recommendation of non-renewal for Heketi Community Charter School.

From approximately 1:10 p.m. to 2:05 p.m., representatives of Heketi Community Charter School presented information to the Committee in opposition to the non-renewal recommendation.
F. Executive Session

Upon motion by Trustee Corngold and second by Trustee Spiro, the Committee unanimously voted to go into executive session at 2:06 p.m. to receive legal advice.

Upon motion by Trustee Spiro and second by Trustee Corngold, the Committee unanimously voted to go back into public session at 2:49 p.m. No votes were taken in executive session.

G. Committee Resolutions

Application for Charter Non-Renewal

Upon motion by Trustee Belluck and second by Trustee Spiro, all members of the Committee voted to approve the following except Trustee Corngold who abstained:


H. Adjournment

At 2:52 p.m., upon motion by Trustee Spiro and second by Trustee Corngold, the Committee unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting.