Final Reading Item: IV. N.

Charter School Appeals Policy 2.500

The Background:

The Charter School Appeals Policy governs the charter school appeal process for the State Board of Education. Pursuant to T.C.A. § 49-13-108, the State Board has the authority to hear appeals from sponsors of proposed charter schools that a local board of education has denied.

At the conclusion of the 2017 charter school appeals process, State Board of Education staff members sought and received feedback from participants in the appeal process including sponsors, local boards of education, and charter school review committee members.

The following changes to the policy have been made between first and final reading:

• Page 2: Further clarified the nature of corrections the State Board will accept upon appeal in accordance with T.C.A. § 49-13-108(a)(4)(C) and requires that sponsors use a template developed by the State Board when submitting proposed corrections upon appeal.

The Recommendation:

State Board staff recommends adoption of this item on final reading.