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**Charter Schools – Governing Body Training Approval Rule 0520-14-01-.07**

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**The Background:**

Pursuant to Public Chapter 92 of 2023, T.C.A. § 49-13-111(o) was amended to remove the requirement for any training course attended by charter school governing body members to meet the annual training requirements be certified by the Tennessee Charter School Center (TCSC) and submitted to the State Board for approval. As a result of this amendment, this rule was updated on first reading to remove the TCSC from this process.

Since first reading, State Board staff gathered feedback from authorizers and held a rulemaking hearing on July 13, 2023. Changes since first reading include:

- Extending the deadline for governing body members to complete annual training requirements to cover a full fiscal year;
- Aligning the charter school governing body training course review process with the process for review of local board of education training courses by changing the submission date for training course applications from March 15 to February 15 and requiring the School Board Training Advisory Committee established in State Board Rule 0520-01-02-.11 to also review the governing body training course applications; and
- Adding a deadline for training course providers to submit a list of board members who completed their respective trainings to authorizers.

A rulemaking hearing was held on July 13, 2023 to collect public comment. No comments were submitted.

**Connection to the [Master Plan](#):**

This item supports the State Board’s strategic focus on Engagement and Accountability outlined in the Master Plan by detailing the process for approving training courses for governing body members in accordance with annual training requirements in T.C.A. § 49-13-111(o).

**The Recommendation:**

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