



RESOLUTION OF THE TENNESSEE PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL COMMISSION
REGARDING THE LESTER PREP APPLICATION

Whereas, pursuant to T.C.A. § 49-1-614, Lester Prep submitted an application for authorization dated November 15, 2021 to the Tennessee Public Charter School Commission ("Commission"), which is charged with serving as an appellate authorizer beginning with the 2020-2021 school year, and;

Whereas, representatives of the sponsor of Lester Prep participated in a public hearing on December 13, 2021 to answer questions of the Commission staff and receive comments from members of the public in the local district, and;

Whereas, representatives of the local district, Shelby County Schools, presented a statement in a public hearing on December 13, 2021 relative to the achievement school district, and;

Whereas, the Commission's Charter Review Committee conducted a capacity interview January 12, 2022, at which time representatives of Lester Prep provided responses to questions from members of the Review Committee, and;

Whereas, the Commission, at the regularly scheduled meeting on January 28, 2022, reviewed, discussed, and considered the complete application and related attachments, final statements of the parties, and the Executive Director's recommendation prior to voting on a decision, and;

Whereas, the Commission determined the application submitted by the sponsor of Lester Prep meets or exceeds the metrics outlined in the Commission's application-scoring rubric, and;

Whereas, the Commission finds that approval of the application for authorization is in the best interest of the students, LEA, or community;

Therefore, be it resolved by the Tennessee Public Charter School Commission that the application for Lester Prep is approved, pursuant to T.C.A. § 49-1-614(k)(4).

Commissioner Smith moved for approval of the Resolution.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Sisnett and, upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

1. Commissioner Levine voted aye;
2. Commissioner Richards voted aye;
3. Commissioner Sisnett voted aye;
4. Commissioner Tucker voted aye;
5. Commissioner Smith voted aye;
6. Commissioner Patterson voted aye;
7. Commissioner Woodson voted aye;
8. Commissioner Griscom voted aye;
9. Commissioner Hanson was absent.



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The Chair thereupon declared that the resolution was duly passed and adopted on this 28th day of January 2022.

In accordance with Tenn. Comp. R. & Regs. 1185-01-03-.03(4), the decision of the Commission is final and not subject to appeal.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Tom Griscom", written over a horizontal line.

Tom Griscom, Chairman