

RESOLUTION OF THE TENNESSEE PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL COMMISSION REGARDING PATHWAYS IN EDUCATION-MEMPHIS AMENDED APPLICATION APPEAL

Whereas, pursuant to T.C.A. § 49-13-101 et. seq., Pathways in Education-Memphis ("PIE-Memphis") submitted an appeal on the denial of its amended charter school application by the Memphis-Shelby County Schools Board of Education dated July 21, 2023 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 PIE-Memphis participated in a public hearing on August 29, 2023 to answer questions of the Commission staff and receive comment from members of the public in the proposed district, and;

Whereas, the Commission's Charter Review Committee, conducted a capacity interview on September 6, 2023, at which time representatives of PIE-Memphis provided responses to questions from members of the Review Committee, and;

Whereas, the Commission, at a quarterly meeting on October 6, 2023, reviewed, discussed, and considered the full appeal record, review committee report, and Executive Director's recommendation prior to voting on a decision;

Whereas, the Commission, determined the following findings of fact:

- 1. PIE-Memphis partially meets standard for academic plan design and capacity
- 2. PIE-Memphis does not meet standard for operations plan and capacity
- 3. PIE-Memphis partially meets standard for financial plan and capacity

Therefore, be it resolved by the Tennessee Public Charter School Commission that the amended application for Pathways in Education-Memphis is approved, pursuant to T.C.A. § 49-13-108(5)(C).

Commissioner Eddie Smith moved for approval of the Resolution.

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

- 1. Commissioner Michael A. Carter, Sr. voted aye;
- 2. Commissioner Thomas Griscom voted aye;
- 3. Commissioner Alan Levine voted aye;
- 4. Commissioner Terence Patterson voted aye;
- 5. Commissioner Chris Richards voted aye;
- Commissioner Eddie Smith voted aye;
- Commissioner Lauren Smith voted aye;
- 8. Commissioner Chris Tutor voted aye; and,
- 9. Commissioner Jamie Woodson voted aye.



The Chair thereupon declared that the resolution was duly passed and adopted on this 6th day of October 2023.

In accordance with T.C.A. § 49-13-108(5)(D), the decision of the Commission is final and not subject to appeal.

Chris Richards, Chair

Tennessee Public Charter School Commission