

TO: Tennessee Public Charter School Commission

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SUBJECT: Executive Director Updates

## **Sunset Hearing**

• On Tuesday, September 27, Chair Griscom, Chase Ingle, Ashley Thomas, and I presented before the Education, Health, and General Welfare Subcommittee of the Government Operations Committee for the Commission's sunset hearing. The Commission received a positive recommendation for a three-year extension.

## Authorizer Evaluation

- This fall, the Commission will participate in the State Board of Education's authorizer evaluation which is a requirement of all authorizers.
- Below are key dates and milestones for this evaluation process:
  - o Authorizer Evaluation due October 14, 2022
  - o Evaluation week of November 14, 2022
  - o Draft report shared with authorizers by December 19, 2022
  - Reports finalized by January 20, 2023
  - State Board approves evaluation results on February 10, 2023

## 2023 Meeting Dates

- In July, the Commission set the following meeting dates for 2023, and I have flagged the key items that we anticipate discussing at each meeting.
  - o January 26 & January 27, 2023 (Quarterly Meeting)
    - Consideration of any operator applying from the ASD
    - Amendment Petition appeals from fall (if any)
    - Annual Report for SY21-22
    - Charter agreements for any schools that is approved in fall 2022
  - March 23 & March 24, 2023 (Quarterly Meeting)
    - Renewal appeals (if any)
    - Charter agreements for any schools approved to transfer from the ASD
    - Annual policy review and update
  - May 31, 2023 (Special-called meeting via Webex)
    - To address any statutorily required items before the July 2023 meeting
  - o July 27 & July 28, 2023 (Quarterly Meeting)
    - Prepare for new start appeals
    - Update policies and rules based on any changes to statute
  - October 5 & 6, 2023 (Quarterly Meeting)
    - New start appeals



## **Amendment Petition**

- On Friday, September 30, the Commission received an amendment petition from the governing board of Rutherford Collegiate Prep. The petition requests to amend the charter agreement with the Commission to start in School Year 2022-23 with grades kindergarten through 2<sup>nd</sup> rather than kindergarten through 5<sup>th</sup>.
- In accordance with Commission rule, the Commission has sixty days upon receipt of an amendment petition to review and act on the petition.
- This action will necessitate a special-called virtual meeting to be held on or before November 29, 2022.