



TO: Business Operations Committee, Tennessee Public Charter School Commission

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SUBJECT: Charter Commission Operational Updates

Staffing

- Since the January 2026 meeting, we filled the following role:
 - Federal Programs Coordinator
- We are in the hiring process for the Manager of Grants and Fiscal Monitoring role. Both positions directly support the Commission's increased workload due to growth in its portfolio and additional responsibilities.
- We recently launched the hiring process for the authorizing project coordinator role. A. Moneda, currently in the role, was accepted into a Ph.D. program for the fall.
- An updated organizational chart for the Commission is available on the [Commission's website](#).

Procurement Update

- The Commission is beginning to evaluate procurement needs for FY27, and there are two agreements for Commission approval.
 - Tennessee Language Center (TLC): The Commission has maintained an interagency agreement with TLC since FY23 to support the agency's interpretation and translation needs. For FY27, Commission staff is working with the Central Procurement Office and TLC to establish a new interagency agreement with a maximum liability of \$40,000. This agreement will support the agency's translation of documents, policies, and in-person translation services.
 - PowerSchool: For school year 2026-27, the Commission will remain with PowerSchool as our student information system (SIS) vendor.
 - In spring 2026, the Department of Education released new contracts for SIS vendors, including PowerSchool. To ensure continuity going into the upcoming school year, the Commission will continue to use PowerSchool, and we anticipate a maximum cost of \$65,000.
 - As a measure of due diligence, over the spring and summer, we are speaking with all other TDOE-approved vendors to compare service and pricing plans. Any changes or implementations would take effect for the 2027-28 school year.



2026 Meeting Dates

- We will meet during the following 2026 dates:
 - Quarter 3: July 23 & July 24 (Knoxville)
 - Quarter 4: October 8 & October 9 (Nashville)

2027 Meeting Dates

- Prior to the July 2026 meeting, we will poll Commissioners regarding possible meeting dates for 2027. We will evaluate dates based on alignment with statutory deadlines and the ability to meet quorum requirements. Please look out for a poll with possible dates, and the 2027 dates will be brought to the July 2026 meeting for approval.