Staff Follow Up: April 30, 2019

Agenda Planning Session for 5/7 School Board Operational

Meeting

SBOM-050719-29



**Topic:** L-5. Charter School Renewal Agreement for Renaissance Charter

School, Inc., on behalf of Renaissance Charter Middle at Pines-5014

Staff Follow Up: Staff to clarify whether the designation of the charter as high

performing allows them to expand other grades or increase their

enrollment. **SBOM-050719-29 (PG)** 

**Response**: Board Item L-5 has been revised to reflect the following language:

Pursuant to Section 1002.331(2)(c), Florida Statute, a high performing charter school is authorized to receive a modification of its charter

to a term of a fifteen (15) years or a 15-year charter renewal.

Pursuant to Section 1002.331(2)(a), Florida Statutes, a high performing charter school is authorized to increase its student enrollment once per school year to more than the capacity identified in the charter, but the enrollment may not exceed the current facility capacity.

Renaissance Charter School at Pines – 5014 has been designated a High Performing school by the Florida Department of Education, therefore qualifies for a 15-year agreement and as a high performing school they can increase its school enrollment. The school's enrollment will increase from 1,145 to 1,420.

Communication regarding the changes to the agreement will be communicated to the City of Pembroke Pines upon Board approval. Please see the draft letter.

Attachment 1

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ROBERT W. RUNCIE Superintendent of Schools

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May 10, 2019

Honorable Frank C. Ortis City of Pembroke Pines 601 City Center Way Pembroke Pines, Florida 33025

Dear Mayor Ortis:

On August 3, 2018, the Florida Department of Education designated Renaissance Charter School Middle School at Pines – 5014, as a high performing charter school. Pursuant to Section 1002.331(2)(c), Florida Statute, a high-performing charter school is authorized to receive a modification of its charter to a term of a fifteen (15) years or a 15-year charter renewal. Additionally, Pursuant to Section 1002.331(2)(a), Florida Statues a high performing charter school is authorized to increase its student enrollment once per school year to more than the capacity identified in the charter, but the enrollment may not exceed the current facility capacity. Renaissance Charter Middle School at Pines – 5014 qualifies for a 15-year renewal and can increase its maximum student capacity, upon request.

This letter is to advise that on May 7, 2019, The School Board of Broward County, Florida approved a fifteen (15) year renewal term with an increase in the school's maximum student capacity from 1,145 to 1,420, per the school's request.

Renaissance Charter Middle School at Pines is located at:
10501 Pines Blvd.
Pembroke Pines, Florida 33026

I am sharing this information, as it may be helpful for your future planning. If you have any questions concerning charter schools in Broward, please contact Donté Fulton-Collins, Director, Charter Schools Management/Support Department, at 754-321-2135.

Sincerely,

Robert W. Runcie

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