

# Sacramento Academic & Vocational Academy (SAVA): Petition Review and Recommendations

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#### **Presentation Overview**

- Summary of renewal petition review process
- Overview of criteria for granting or denying renewal petition
- Petition review team findings
- Staff Recommendation



# Summary of Petition Review Process

September 16, 2016: Gateway renewal petition submitted

Sept.-Oct. 2016: Staff Review

October 4, 2016: Public Hearing

October 13, 2016: TRUSD team meeting to discuss findings

November 8, 2016: Information to Gateway

December 13, 2016: Staff presentation of review summary and

recommendation



# Summary of Renewal Petition Review Process

#### **Review Process:**

- Evaluation based on statutory requirements
- Public comment relating to one petition should not influence assessment of other petitions
- All petitions that meet statutory and regulatory criteria must be granted
- Timeline
  - Public hearing within 30 days of filing
  - Decision within 60\* days of filing



# Statutory Review Requirements

#### [EC 47605]

#### Required Petition Components:

Educational program	Financial audits
Measurable student outcomes and state priorities	Staff retirement system
Method for measuring pupil progress	Suspension/expulsion procedures
Governance & parent involvement	Employer status
Employment qualifications	Attendance alternatives
Health & safety procedures	Employee rights
Means for achieving racial/ethnic balance	Dispute resolution procedures
Admission requirements	Reporting & Accountability: Facilities/Procedures for school closure



# **District Review Team**

Education program: Moore, Grace, Walker, and Zeman	Financial audits: Ingersoll
Measurable student outcomes and state priorities: Noguchi	Staff retirement system: Carreon
Method for measuring pupil progress: Noguchi	Suspension/expulsion procedure: Murray
Governance & parent Involvement: Noguchi	Employer status: Carreon
Employment qualifications: Carreon	Attendance alternatives: Murray
Health & safety procedures: Carreon	Employee rights: Carreon
Means for achieving racial/ethnic balance: Noguchi	Dispute resolution procedures: Carreon
Admission requirements: Noguchi	Reporting & Accountability: Facilities/Procedures for school closure: Noguchi



#### Statutory Review Criteria

Shall not deny unless one ore more of the following are present:

- 1. The petition does not contain the required number of signatures
- 2. The petition does not contain an affirmation of each required condition as described in Ed Code 47605(d)
- 3. The petition does not contain reasonably comprehensive descriptions of all 15 required elements
- The charter school presents an unsound educational program; and/or
- 5. The petitioners are demonstrably unlikely to successfully implement the program set forth in the petition



## **Academic Findings**

Charter's performance is far below District and State averages for similar students served as demonstrated by, but not limited to, academic performance data

#### **Academic Performance- CAASPP**

- English Language Arts
  - 2015: 20% met or exceeded standards
  - 2016: 17% met or exceeded standards
- Mathematics
  - 2015: 2% met or exceeded standards
  - 2016: 2% met or exceeded standards
  - SAVA scored the lowest of compared schools



#### **Cohort Graduation Rates**

Charter has an extremely low cohort graduation rate

**2**011-12: 13.0%

**2**012-13: 15.4%

**2**013-14: 19.6%

**2014-15**: 20.3%



## **Cohort Dropout Rates**

Charter has a very high cohort drop out rate

**2011-12: 51.9%** 

**2**012-13: 52.7%

**2013-14: 46.5%** 

**2**014-15: 48.4%



## UC/CSU: A-G Rates

The Charter's students do not meet the requirements for entering as a freshman into the University of California (UC) or California State University (CSU)

**2**011-12: 0%

**2**012-13: 0%

**2**013-14: 0%

**2014-15: 0%** 



## **Educational Program**

[Ed. Code §§ 47605(b)(5)(A), (B) & (C)]

- The description of A-G coursework is vague with no reference to scope and sequence of curriculum, the alignment of core courses to the common core state standards.
- Limited information as to how parents are notified of courses that do not meet A-G criteria, or the criteria that is used to determine which students will have access to A-G courses or A-G courses with added support.



## **Educational Program**

[Ed. Code §§ 47605(b)(5)(A), (B) & (C)]

- Limited description of student access to direct instruction including "labs" and "internships".
- Response to Intervention (RTI) training and programs are referenced but no description of how students are assessed/identified for these programs and what intervals students are reassessed.



## **Facility Location**

[Ed. Code § 47605(a)(1) and (g)]

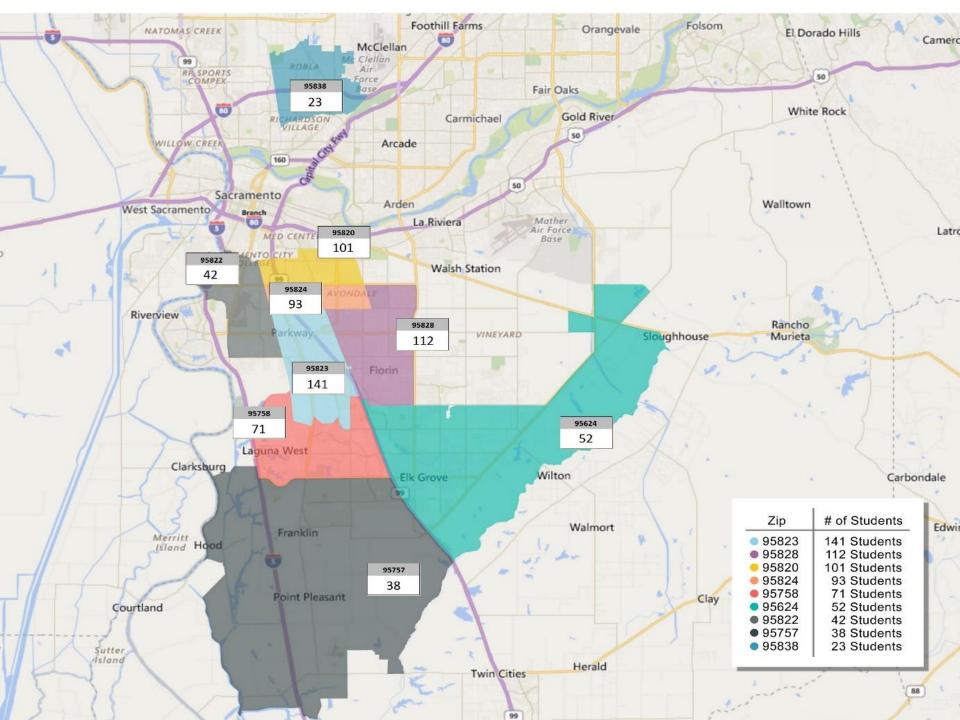
#### October 17, 2016 (Ruled):

 Anderson Union High School District v. Shasta Secondary Home School

#### November 29, 2016 (Filed):

California Supreme Court





#### Staff Recommendation

 We ask the Board of Trustees to approve the SAVA renewal petition given that the following conditions are met.



#### **Conditions**

 The petitioner will work with the district to develop an "Academic Improvement Plan" to ensure the likelihood of future success.



#### Condition

 Petitioner shall work with the District to develop an "Operational Contingency Plan" to ensure the likelihood of future success in the matter pending in the Court.



#### Request Action

At this time, staff requests that the Board of Trustees take the following action:

Grant the renewal, on the condition that the Petitioner amends the petition, as outlined above, in a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) to be executed no later than February 28, 2017



# Questions



