



AGENDA
Las Cruces Public Schools Board of Education
Special Meeting
Friday, June 7, 2013
10:00 a.m.
Administration Board Room

Any individual attending a board meeting may ask to speak on any item after the individual is recognized by the President of the Board and introduces himself/herself at the podium. It will be the practice of the Board of Education not to take action on any item presented under Public Input.

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- I. Introduction**
 - A. Call to Order
 - B. Roll Call
 - C. Approval of Agenda – Dr. Phillips

- II. Board Old Business**
 - A. Action on Field of Dreams Turf – President Phillips
 - B. Adoption of Resolution Between the Las Cruces Public Schools Board of Education and the Governance Council of the Las Montañas Charter High School – Supt. Rounds

- III. Public Input**

- IV. Adjournment**

**A RESOLUTION BETWEEN THE
LAS CRUCES PUBLIC SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION
AND THE
GOVERNANCE COUNCIL OF LAS MONTAÑAS CHARTER HIGH SCHOOL**

Subject: Conditional one-year charter renewal (July 1, 2013 though June 30, 2014) of the Las Montañas Charter High School charter as authorized by the Las Cruces Public Schools Board of Education

WHEREAS, Section 22-8B-5.D [NMSA 1978] requires that a charter school shall be a public school accredited by the department and shall be accountable to the chartering authority for purposes of ensuring compliance with applicable laws, rules and charter provisions; and

WHEREAS, the Las Cruces Public Schools Board of Education finds that the charter continues to have significant audit citations regarding its financial management and control; and

WHEREAS, the Las Cruces Schools Board of Education finds that the charter high school's student attendance rate is consistently less than 90 percent; and

WHEREAS, the Las Cruces Schools Board of Education finds that the charter high school's student graduation rate is consistently below 50 percent and the subsequent dropout rate to be consistently higher than 40 percent; and

WHEREAS, the Las Cruces Schools Board of Education finds that the results of the charter's instructional audit, as required the New Mexico Public Education Department as part of the New Mexico A-F Grading Accountability System, show more than 70 percent of the required deliverables not met; and

WHEREAS, the Las Cruces Schools Board of Education determined a need to turn around the overall management and student performance at the charter;

WHEREAS, the Las Cruces Public Schools Board of Education in a publically noticed meeting on May 21, 2013, took official action to conditionally renew the charter of the Las Montañas Charter High School for one year from July 1, 2013 to June 30, 2014; and

WHEREAS, the conditions authorized by the Las Cruces Public Schools Board of Education in the charter renewal action require the Superintendent of Schools to appoint a special master to oversee the development, monitor the implementation, and report the

school's progress on a quarterly basis of a structured plan to improve student academic achievement, student attendance, graduation rate, and the financial management of the charter school.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Las Cruces Public Schools Board of Education requests that the Governance Council of the charter agree to the conditions specified in this resolution; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the conditions specified in the structured improvement plan will be fully implemented during the 2013-2014 academic year, as overseen by the special master.

ADOPTED and signed this _____ day of May, 2013.

Connie Phillips, Ph.D.
President, Board of Education

ADOPTED and signed this _____ day of May, 2013.

Name
President, Governance Council
Las Montañas Charter High School