

DOUGLAS COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT RE. 1

**RESOLUTION OF CONTRACT EXTENSION
OF
HOPE Online Learning Academy Co-Op**

WHEREAS, on September 10, 2007, the Board of Education (“Board”) of the Douglas County School District RE 1 (“District”) received a charter school application from the Board of Hope Online Learning Academy Co-Op, a Colorado nonprofit corporation (“Applicant”), for the establishment of HOPE as a District charter school; and

WHEREAS, on February 19, 2008, HOPE was approved for its Charter and contract for a term commencing on July 1, 2008, and continuing through June 30, 2011; and

WHEREAS, on October 20, 2009, HOPE requested to renew their contract to continue through June 30, 2013 and was approved for that renewal; and

WHEREAS, on September 18, 2012 the HOPE charter contract was renewed for an additional five-year period, beginning July 1, 2013 and ending on June 30, 2018;

WHEREAS, in 2013 HOPE was split into three related schools for accountability purposes, with the HOPE high school designated as an Alternative Education Campus;

WHEREAS, the HOPE middle and elementary schools have been designated by the Colorado State Board of Education as either Turnaround or Priority Improvement schools for the past 7 years as of July 1, 2017, placing these schools under provisions and requirements of the State Accountability Clock;

WHEREAS, on January 3, 2017, the Board approved the Pathways Proposal and supported HOPE’s request to the State Board of Education to implement the Pathways Proposal through the 2018-2019 school year;

WHEREAS, HOPE was required to present to the Board and the State Board of Education a Pathways Proposal plan to improve its academic performance for its elementary and middle schools on April 13, 2017;

WHEREAS, the State Board of Education’s Order (“Order”) signed on May 24, 2017 concerning HOPE states that “In the event that HOPE fails to implement its Pathways Proposal as ordered, or in the event that HOPE elementary or middle school earns a rating of Priority Improvement or Turnaround plan in 2019 or subsequent years and fails to make adequate progress pursuant to CRS 22-11-201(5)(a), the Commissioner shall again assign the State review panel to critically evaluate the School’s performance, revisit its recommendations, and report back to the State Board....”;

WHEREAS, though HOPE’s performance ratings are grounds to revoke or non-renew its charter, to allow HOPE the opportunity to implement its Pathways Proposal in accordance with

the Order, the Board desires to extend the term of HOPE's charter contract for one year, through June 30, 2019, subject to additional terms and conditions allowing the District to monitor HOPE's compliance with the Pathways Proposal, District standards and expectations, and applicable law;

WHEREAS, District staff have presented an amendment to HOPE's charter contract containing terms and conditions for HOPE's contract extension that are acceptable to the District and HOPE ("Contract Amendment").

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that based on the foregoing, the Board hereby extends HOPE's charter for one year, through June 30, 2019, and approves the Contract Amendment;

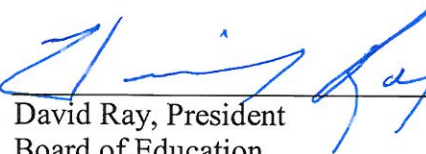
FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board President is authorized to execute the Contract Amendment in substantially the form and with substantially the content presented at this meeting, for and on behalf of the District, but with such changes therein as shall be consistent with this Resolution and as the District's counsel and President shall approve;

FURTHER RESOLVED, that as a condition of the Contract Amendment, HOPE shall submit to the District Interim Superintendent, on or before March 1, 2018, evidence demonstrating HOPE's compliance with C.R.S. § 22-32-109.1 and applicable District policy, including, but not limited to, copies of HOPE's safe school plan and school response framework;


FURTHER RESOLVED, that as a further condition of extending the charter contract, HOPE representatives shall meet in person with District representatives on or before March 1, 2018, to explore the viability of and steps needed for the School's conversion to a charter school authorized by the Colorado Charter School Institute.

Approved this 6th day of February, 2018.

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By: 
David Ray, President
Board of Education

Attest:

By: 
Krista Holtzmann, Secretary
Board of Education