

**DOUGLAS COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-1**

**RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE STEM CHARTER SCHOOL RENEWAL CONTRACT AND TO EXTEND THE RENEWAL TERM OF STEM'S CHARTER TO FIVE YEARS SUBJECT TO SUCH CONTRACT**

WHEREAS, the Science Technology Engineering and Math (STEM) Charter School ("STEM") has been a Douglas County School District RE-1 ("District") charter school since 2011; and

WHEREAS, in the fall of 2018, STEM submitted a charter school renewal application (the "Renewal Application") in accordance with District policy; and

WHEREAS, on January 8, 2019, the District Board of Education ("Board") adopted a resolution renewing STEM's charter for a term of three years, subject to STEM's satisfaction of certain conditions (the "Renewal Resolution"); and

WHEREAS, STEM appealed the Board's decision to the State Board of Education in accordance with applicable law; and

WHEREAS, STEM and the District jointly agreed to stay the appeal pending efforts to resolve their disagreement about the charter school renewal term and conditions; and

WHEREAS, on May 7, 2019, a shooting occurred at STEM during which one student was killed, and eight others were injured; and

WHEREAS, after May 7, 2019, the District and STEM directed their efforts toward the support and recovery of District and STEM students, staff, and community; and

WHEREAS, as a result, as of June 18, 2019 – the date of the Board's last regular meeting for the 2019-2020 school year – the District and STEM had yet to resolve their disagreements related to STEM's appeal and had not entered into a charter school contract for any renewal term; and

WHEREAS, at the June 18 meeting, the Board tabled a discussion regarding the rescission of the January 8, 2019 Renewal Resolution to allow representatives of the District and STEM to continue efforts to negotiate proposed contract terms for a mutually acceptable charter school renewal contract; and

WHEREAS, following the June 18 meeting, representatives of the District and STEM negotiated proposed contract terms for a charter school renewal contract which has been presented to the Board at this meeting for consideration ("Proposed Contract"); and

WHEREAS, on June 29, 2019, the Board of Directors of STEM approved the Proposed Contract; and

WHEREAS, the Board desires to approve the Proposed Contract.

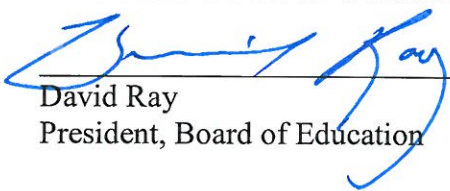
NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Douglas County School District Re-1 that:

1. The Proposed Contract is hereby approved.
2. The term of STEM's charter renewal as approved by the Board on January 8, 2019 is hereby extended for two years, for a total renewal term of five years, subject to the terms of the Proposed Contract, which, among other things, provides that the term shall be shortened to three years if STEM is not in compliance with certain renewal and compliance conditions.
3. The President of the Board is authorized to sign the Proposed Contract, subject to minor changes approved by the President and consistent with this Resolution.

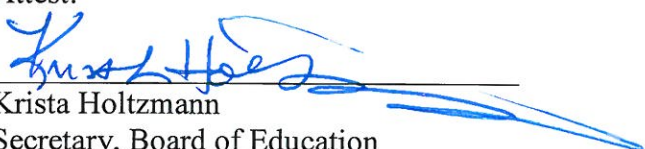
Approved and adopted this 29<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2019 by a vote of 6-0.

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By:

  
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David Ray  
President, Board of Education

Attest:

  
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Krista Holtzmann  
Secretary, Board of Education