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CORAL ACADEMY OF SCIENCE LAS VEGAS

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BY EMAIL (pgavin@spcsa.nv.gov) AND FAX (775-687-9113)

Patrick J. Gavin
Director
Nevada State Public Charter School Authority
1749 N. Stewart Street, Suite 40
Carson City, NV 89706

Re: Proposed Amendment to the Charter of
Coral Academy of Science Las Vegas

Dear Mr. Gavin:

The Governing Board of Coral Academy of Science Las Vegas (“Coral Academy”) is writing to request the approval of the State Public Charter School Authority (the “Authority”) at its upcoming August 29, 2016 meeting to two specific amendments to Coral Academy’s Charter.

Coral Academy’s Governing Board approved the two amendments described below at duly-noticed and –convened public meetings on June 25, 2016 and August 16, 2016.

Attached is supporting documentation regarding these two amendments.

(1) Head Office Location. First, Coral Academy would like to change one of its facilities. Coral Academy’s current administrative offices are located at 3039 W. Horizon Ridge Parkway, Suite 120, Henderson, Nevada 89052. Coral Academy would like to move those offices to 8965 S. Eastern Avenue, Suite 280, Las Vegas, Nevada 89123. If approved, this change would take effect on September 1, 2016. There should be no material impact from this change on Coral Academy (including, for example, as to its finances, administrative functions, and educational services). No classroom instruction takes place at Coral Academy’s administrative offices. The rent to be paid for these new offices is fair market rent.

Pursuant to NRS 388A.276 and Sections 1.7.4 and 12.7.1.1 of the Charter School Contract between Coral Academy and the Authority, as renewed in 2013, the school kindly requests that the Authority approve this amendment.

(2) Back-Office Functions. Second, Coral Academy would like to hire Charter School Management Corporation, a California corporation (“CSMC”) to provide back-office services for the school, including bookkeeping support, payroll processing, budgeting, internal and external reporting functions, and general client support.



Coral Academy does not view CSMC as an Educational Management Organization (“EMO”), but because of the broad language in NRS 388A.030, it is soliciting the Authority’s approval out of an abundance of caution.

If approved, this change would take effect immediately. If there are any material impacts from this change on Coral Academy, the school anticipates them being positive in nature. The change should improve the school’s back-end functioning, increase bookkeeper independence, reduce employee staffing, and increase internal transparency (particularly for the school’s Governing Board).

We understand the Authority is familiar with CSMC, which Coral Academy believes to be a reputable and professional company. Among other things, CSMC has represented to Coral Academy that it: (i) has 16 years of experience in handling back-office charter school functions; (ii) employs approximately 100 people; (iii) serves approximately 200 schools nationwide; (iii) has all requisite licensing and permitting; and (iv) uses a sophisticated, proprietary web tool for exchanging information and reports with its clients’ governing boards.

To Coral Academy’s knowledge, its contract with CSMC would not violate NRS 388A.393, dealing with EMOs (if applicable).

Pursuant to NRS 388A.276 and Sections 2.10.2.4 and 12.7.1.6 of the Charter School Contract between Coral Academy and the Authority, as renewed in 2013, dealing with EMOs (if applicable), the school kindly requests that the Authority approve this amendment.

Please consider this request as soon as possible and let me know whether the Authority approves it. If you have any questions or comments, please contact me or the school’s Executive Director, Mr. Ercan Aydogdu.

Thank you for your time and attention.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Hasan Deniz', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Hasan Deniz, Ph.D.
President of the Governing Board
Coral Academy of Science Las Vegas