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SANTA CLARA COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
1290 Ridder Park Drive
San Jose, California 95131-2398

AGENDA

Board Room

Special Meeting #2083-S1

August 25, 2011

3:00 p.m. Closed Session

4:00 p.m. Open Session

1. Roll Call
2. Adoption of Agenda
3. Hearing of Persons Desiring to Address the Board or to Present Petitions
[Members of the public may address the Board on any issue or agenda item at this time. Members of the public may also address the Board on an agenda item during consideration of the item. No action can be taken on an item not on the agenda at this time, but can be referred to the administration or put on a future agenda. In accordance with Board Bylaw 8370, individual remarks will be limited to 3 minutes each, unless otherwise stipulated.]

CLOSED SESSION 3:00 p.m.

4. The Board will hold a Closed Session to consider the following item:
 - a. Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation
(Cal. Govt. Code § 54956.9(b)(1))

One Potential Case

OPEN SESSION — Immediately following Closed Session — Approximately 4:00 p.m.

5. Public Hearing

A. [Public Hearing on Countywide Charter Petition for Rocketship Discovery Prep](#)

On July 27, 2011, the Charter Schools Department at the Santa Clara County Office of Education received a petition for Rocketship Discovery Prep, a proposed countywide charter school. California Education Code Section 47605.6(b) requires that “no later than 60 days after receiving a petition . . . the county board of education shall hold a public hearing on the provisions of the charter, at which time the county board of education shall consider the level of support for the petition by teachers, parents or guardians, and the school districts where the charter school petitioner proposes to place school facilities.” This school was previously approved on June 17, 2009 as one of five school sites authorized under a single countywide charter issued to Rocketship Education. Through this petition, Rocketship Education seeks authority to open Rocketship Discovery Prep under a separate, single-school charter rather than under the 2009 five-site charter.

6. Action Item

* A. [Decision regarding Countywide Charter Petition for Rocketship Discovery Prep](#)

California Education Code Section 47605.6(b) requires that “the county board of education . . . either grant or deny [a] charter within 90 days of receipt of [a] petition.” This action will approve or deny Rocketship Education’s petition for Rocketship Discovery Prep to be authorized under an independent charter instead of the 2009 five-site charter previously approved by the County Board of Education. Administration advises that if the Board makes all necessary findings for countywide charter approval, then approval is recommended. Should such findings not be made, then denial is recommended.

7. Public Hearings

* A. [Public Hearing on Countywide Charter Petition for Rocketship 6](#)

On July 27, 2011, the Charter Schools Department at the Santa Clara County Office of Education received a petition for Rocketship 6, a proposed countywide charter school. California Education Code Section 47605.6(b) requires that “no later than 60 days after receiving a petition . . . the county board of education shall hold a public hearing on the provisions of the charter, at which time the county board of education shall consider the level of support for the petition by teachers, parents or guardians, and the school districts where the charter school petitioner proposes to place school facilities.” This school was previously approved on June 17, 2009 as one of five school sites authorized under a single countywide charter issued to Rocketship Education. Through this petition, Rocketship Education seeks authority to open Rocketship 6 under a separate, single-school charter rather than under the 2009 five-site charter.

* B. [Public Hearing on Countywide Charter Petition for Rocketship 7](#)

On July 27, 2011, the Charter Schools Department at the Santa Clara County Office of Education received a petition for Rocketship 7, a proposed countywide charter school. California Education Code Section 47605.6(b) requires that “no later than 60 days after receiving a petition . . . the county board of education shall hold a public hearing on the provisions of the charter, at which time the county board of education shall consider the level of support for the petition by teachers, parents or guardians, and the school districts where the charter school petitioner proposes to place school facilities.” This school was previously approved on June 17, 2009 as one of five school sites authorized under a single countywide charter issued to Rocketship Education. Through this petition, Rocketship Education seeks authority to open Rocketship 7 under a separate, single-school charter rather than under the 2009 five-site charter.

* C. [Public Hearing on Countywide Charter Petition for Rocketship 8](#)

On July 27, 2011, the Charter Schools Department at the Santa Clara County Office of Education received a petition for Rocketship 8, a proposed countywide charter school. California Education Code Section 47605.6(b) requires that “no later than 60 days after receiving a petition . . . the county board of education shall hold a public hearing on the provisions of the charter, at which time the county board of education shall consider the level of support for the petition by teachers, parents or guardians, and the school districts where the charter school petitioner proposes to place school facilities.” This school was previously approved on June 17, 2009 as one of five school sites authorized under a single countywide charter issued to Rocketship Education. Through this petition, Rocketship Education seeks authority to open Rocketship 8 under a separate, single-school charter rather than under the 2009 five-site charter.

8. Adjournment

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