

**Alabama Public Charter School Commission  
March 7, 2024 @ 10:00 AM  
In Person and Via Zoom**

**MINUTES**

The Alabama Public Charter School Commission (APCSC) meeting took place March 7, 2024, at 10:00 A.M. in an in person and Zoom meeting to consider matters relevant to duties of the Alabama Public Charter School Commission outlined in the *Alabama School Choice and Student Opportunity Act* for public charter schools in Alabama.

**Welcome, Approval of Agenda and Minutes**

Chairman Luis Ferrer welcomed everyone to the meeting. Roll call was taken by Mrs. Logan Searcy. Nine Commission members were present which represented a quorum.

Members of the Commission who participated:

Luis Ferrer	M Javed Khan
Shelia Austin	Charles Knight
Debbie Alvis	Julie Ann McCulley
Marla Green	Sharon Porterfield (absent)
Dorothy Houston	Terri Reynolds (absent)
Ryan Kendall (absent)	Lakeshia Wheeler

Chairman Ferrer asked for a motion to approve today's agenda and the minutes from the January 22, 2024, meeting. Commissioner Khan made a motion to accept today's agenda and the minutes. Commissioner Austin seconded. The vote was unanimous, 9 - Yes. The minutes and today's agenda were accepted.

**Charter School Commission Update**

The Chairman asked Mrs. Searcy for a Charter School update. Mrs. Searcy shared that the budget report has been uploaded to the live binder. She asked if there were any question/concerns. She also shared that the bylaw revisions are pending and should be presented soon. The teacher of the year nominations are in and the awards will be made in May. Chairman Ferrer asked if the amount of the awards has been decided and how many awards will there be. Mrs. Searcy said nominations were for the Elementary, Middle and High School levels. The Chairman suggested that each award be \$2,000. Chairman Ferrer called for any questions/concerns. There was discussion on how the final decision would be made. It was decided that a committee of commissioners would review all nominations and make a recommendation to the Commission. The committee will consist of commissioners Green, Austin, and Wheeler. Chairman Ferrer shared that he has asked Mrs. Searcy and Mr. Knight to review the current process of contract renewal and make recommendations to the Commission.

**Consideration of an Additional MOA with the ALSDE**

Chairman Ferrer asked Mrs. Searcy to explain the additional MOA with the ALSDE. She stated that this is the addition of Dr. Amanda Inabinett to assist the Commission. Dr. Inabinett will answer to Mrs. Searcy. Chairman Ferrer asked for a motion to accept the additional MOA with ALSDE. Commissioner McCulley made the motion to accept the additional MOA with ALSDE. Commissioner Knight seconded. The vote was unanimous 9 – Yes. The motion was approved.

## **Adjourn**

Chairman Ferrer asked for a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Khan made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Knight seconded. The vote was unanimous; meeting was adjourned.