

SACRAMENTO CITY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION

Agenda Item# 13.1u

Meeting Date: March 21, 2024

Subject: Approve State Board of Education Waiver Request for 2021-22 Instructional Time Penalty - Bowling Green Charter School

- Information Item Only
- Approval on Consent Agenda
- Conference (for discussion only)
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- Action
- Public Hearing

Division: Human Resource Services

Recommendation Approve State Board of Education Waiver Request for 2021-22 Instructional Time Penalty - Bowling Green Charter School

Background/Rationale: Per Education Code section 47612.5, charter schools are required to offer a minimum number of instructional minutes per fiscal year, and the amount of annual instructional minutes varies by grade level. For the 2021-22 school year, Bowling Green Charter School received an instructional time penalty for a shortage of instructional minutes due to the workforce strike.

Education Code section 47612.6 allows the State Board of Education (SBE) to waive the fiscal penalties associated with instructional minute shortages provided that a charter school complies with specific conditions. A school with an instructional minute shortage must offer the number of minutes it was short, in addition to the number of minutes required by statute, for two consecutive school years.

Grade Level	Statutory Annual Minute Requirement	Actual Minutes Provided	Minute Shortage
TK/K	36,000	34,400	1,600
1-3	50,400	48,144	2,256
4-6	54,000	51,584	2,416

The Sacramento City Unified School District (SCUSD) and Sacramento City Teachers Association (SCTA) have reached agreement on a proposal to add the additional time to the 2024-25 and 2025-26 school years, as required by statute.

A successful SBE waiver of the instructional time penalty will ensure that the funds that would otherwise be used to pay for the penalty will instead be used to improve student achievement by providing additional meaningful instruction to supplement students' learning, engagement, and socialization.

As the governing board for Bowling Green Charter School, the SCUSD governing board must approve the waiver request in order to be submitted to the SBE.



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