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**K – 20 Innovation  
Subcommittee  
Tuesday, September 20, 2011  
11:00 AM – 12:00 PM  
404 HOB**

**Meeting Packet**

**Dean Cannon  
Speaker**

**Kelli Stargel  
Chair**



## **AGENDA**

K-20 Innovation Subcommittee

September 20, 2011

11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

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- I. Call to Order/Roll Call
  
- II. Opening Remarks
  
- III. Presentation by the Department of Education regarding implementation of:

CS/CS/CS/SB 1546 School Choice - Chapter No. 2011-232, L.O.F.

- IV. Closing Remarks and Adjournment



## SB 1546 Implementation

Presented to the House K-20 Innovation Subcommittee

Presented by the Florida Department of Education  
Office of Independent Education and Parental Choice



## High Performing Charter Schools

- Criteria For HP Designation
  - At Least 2 "A"s and Nothing Less than a "B" for the past 3 years
  - Unqualified Audit Opinions on 3 Most Recent Audits
  - No Financial Emergency Condition in 3 most Recent Audits



## High Performing Charter Systems

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- **Criteria for HP Charter School System Designation**
  - Operates at Least 3 High Performing Charter Schools
  - Operates a System of Charters of which at least 50% are HP and no "D" or "F" schools (with exceptions)
  - No audits that reveal financial emergency condition



## High Performing Charter Schools

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- **Benefits of HP Status**
  - Annually Increase Enrollment 15% above contractual Cap
  - Expand Grade Levels within K-12
  - Consolidate Multiple HP Charter Schools Under Single Charter
  - 15-Year Contract
  - Replicate



## High Performing Charter Schools

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- 88 High Performing Charter Schools
  - 45% in Dade & Broward
  - 30 Districts Represented
- 77 Stand-Alone HP Charters
- 11 HP Charter Schools within HP System



## High Performing Charter Schools

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- 99 Applications for HP Status (Individual Schools)
- 77 Approved
- 16 Denied
  - 6 School Grades
  - 6 Audit
  - 4 Both
- 6 Pending



## High Performing Charter School Systems

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- 2 Applications for HP System
- 1 Approved
  - Doral, Inc.
    - 4 Schools
    - 4 HP Schools
- 1 Pending Approval
  - Mater Academy, Inc.
    - 15 Schools
    - 7 HP Schools with 1 Pending



## High Performing Process

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- [HPCharters@fldoe.org](mailto:HPCharters@fldoe.org) set up as portal for requests
- IEPC Reviews
- Submits Recommendations to Commissioner
- Avg. Approval Time – 11.6 days



## Rule Development

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- Charter School Applicant Training Standards: 6A-6.0785, F.A.C.
  - Changes to reflect timing of training and new content
  - Notice of Proposed Rule Making Published on 8/19/2011
  - Scheduled to be Adopted by SBE on 9/20/11
- Charter School Appeals: 6A-6.0781, F.A.C.
  - Notice of Rule Development published on 7/22/2011
  - Rule Workshop Conference Call on 8/16/2011
  - Internal review
  - Anticipated Adoption Late 2011



## Rule Development

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- Model Forms: 6A-6.0786, F.A.C.
  - Revise Model Application, Evaluation, Contract
    - New Model Application, Evaluation, and Contract for High-Performing Replication Applications and Virtual Charter School Applications
  - Notice of Rule Development published on 7/22/2011
  - Anticipated Adoption Late 2011 early 2012



## LEA Status for Federal Funding

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- Charter School System that Meets the Following Criteria:
  - Include Conversion and Non-Conversion Charters
  - All Schools Located in Same County
  - Total Enrollment that Exceeds at Least 1 District
  - Single Governing Board
  - Does not Contract with For-Profit ESP



## LEA Status

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- One System (Lake Wales)
- TA Meeting at FDOE on 6/25/11
  - Full Day Meeting
  - Approx 30 attendees
- Ongoing individualized TA with FDOE program staff





## FDOE Study

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- Identify Districts that distribute funds or provide facilities, renovation, or new construction with funds generated under s. 1011.72(2), F.S., to charter schools and the use of such funds
- Examine Administrative Costs of Sponsors and 5% Admin Fee
- Examine distribution of federal education funding to charter schools
- Examine impact of removing discretion to distribute capital improvement millage [s. 1011.72(2), F.S.] to charter schools-in-a-municipality



## FDOE Study

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- Finance and Operations Lead
- Surveys Drafted for Distribution to Sponsors
- Surveys to be Distributed (Sept. 2011)
- Surveys to be Collected (Oct. 2011)
- Information to be Collected from Charter Operators (Oct. 2011)
- Financial Analysis (Oct. 2011)
- Report Drafted (Nov. 2011)
- Report Finalized and Approved (Dec. 2011)



## Misc.

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- Parental Involvement Facilitation
  - FDOE Collect Contact Info in Annual Accountability Report
- Shared Facilities/Federal Charter School Program Grant
  - CSP Staff/Tracks Co-Located Schools
  - Develop system to flag relocations



## FDOE-IEPC Technical Assistance

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- Legislative FAQ Posted on FDOE Website
  - [http://www.floridaschoolchoice.org/information/Charter\\_schools/files/2011\\_Legislative\\_Summary.pdf](http://www.floridaschoolchoice.org/information/Charter_schools/files/2011_Legislative_Summary.pdf)
- Legislative Update Webinar
  - August 18, 2011 (58 attendees)
  - [click here to access the recording](#)
- FACSA Workshop (Sept. 14)
- Charter School Conference
  - Legislative Update Session (Nov. 16)