

**(ATTACHMENT 1) ACTION ON RESOLUTION 1718R-018 BY DIRECTOR WOODWARD
REGARDING CHARTER SCHOOL PROPOSALS**

Resolution 1718R-018

By Director Woodward

WHEREAS, Section 118.40 of the Wisconsin Statute allows a school board to establish a charter school by entering into a contract with the person submitting a petition or proposal for a charter school or, on its own initiative, to contract with a person to operate a school as a charter school; and

WHEREAS, In July 1995, MPS published its process and guidelines for submitting proposals for innovative options for operating schools; and

WHEREAS, The Board has established priorities for programs that directly address identified areas of need for targeted student populations within the district and to replicate currently successful schools, as well as to accept high-quality or innovative charter school petitions and proposals outside of these priority areas;

WHEREAS, Since charters were established in the district, the needs of the students have changed and the types of programs offered have also changed;

WHEREAS, With all of the changes since first chartering in MPS, it is necessary to have a uniform method for identifying district and student program needs; and

WHEREAS, An active inventory of current programming will allow the district to identify successful programs that might be replicated, and to capture some of the innovative strategies that can be shared with MPS traditional school communities; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That before the Board considers any additional charter school proposals or petitions, the Administration work with the Office of Board Governance to determine the district's needs for new school programs; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That, once this review has been completed, the Administration and the Office of Board Governance submit to the Board for its approval their recommendations both of the type of programs and partnerships to be pursued, as well as any recommendation for revisions to the Board's policies and procedures.

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