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Board of Education Denies T.I.M.E. Charter Petition

The Board of Education met Wednesday, October 23 to review the T.I.M.E. Charter School (TCS) Petition.

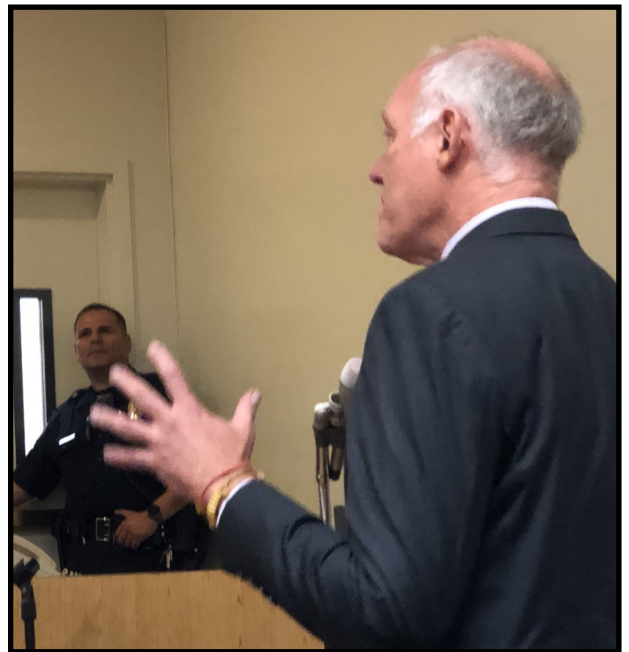
Following public comment and a presentation by Dr. Kaivan Yuen, Assistant Superintendent Educational Services, the Board voted 4 to 0 to deny the petition. The Board members in attendance were President Edgar Cisneros, Vice President Marisol Uribe, Clerk Jennifer Gutierrez, and Member Joanna Flores.

This was the second time TCS has submitted a charter petition to the District. The previous petition was denied by both the District and the Los Angeles County Office of Education. The petitioner can once again appeal to the County.

MUSD Staff noted the following concerns regarding the charter petition:

- The petitioner has yet to identify a location for the school. If a location is not found, TCS will apply to collocate in a MUSD school.
- TCS plans to establish an individual learning plan (ILP) for each student. This process lacks details in the planning process for the ILPs.
- The program has poor organizational structure and cohesion for the instructional program. The course work may trigger Commission on Teacher Credentialing violations.
- The petition does not include state mandated physical education.
- TCS may not offer coursework required for UC and Cal State admission.
- TCS is not WASC accredited. Any students who transfer out of TCS will not have units from a WASC accredited school.
- The petition does not specifically mention State exemptions for graduation requirements for Foster Youth.
- TCS did not include a specific plan for Special Education and medically fragile students.

New state laws regarding charter schools begin July 1, 2020. TCS is attempting to begin the new school before tighter restrictions apply.



President Doug Patzkowski encourages the Board of Education to deny the petition at October 23 meeting.