



Fresno County Board of Education

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BEFORE THE FRESNO COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION FRESNO COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

In the Matter Regarding Approval of the
Edison-Bethune Charter Academy Renewal
Charter Petition

RESOLUTION NO. 2026 - 38

WHEREAS, pursuant to Education Code ("EC") sections 47605, 47607, and 47607.2, the Fresno County Board of Education ("County Board"), on August 5, 2026, received a renewal charter petition ("Renewal Petition") seeking a five-year term beginning July 1, 2027 and ending June 30, 2032, for the Edison-Bethune Charter Academy ("EBCA"); and

WHEREAS, EBCA was originally authorized by the County Board in 1999 and was subsequently renewed in 2004, 2009, 2014, and 2019 for subsequent five-year terms. Due to charter term extensions codified in EC §47607.4, the most recent EBCA charter term was extended to June 30, 2027; and

WHEREAS, a committee ("Charter Committee") reviewed the Renewal Petition pursuant to the criteria established in EC sections 47605, 47607, 47607.2, and other applicable statutes and regulations; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing on the Renewal Petition was conducted on September 15, 2026 at which time the County Board received and considered the level of support for the Renewal Petition; and

WHEREAS, the Charter Committee reviewed the Renewal Petition and submitted for the County Board's consideration a Committee Report regarding the Renewal Petition dated September 30, 2026 ("Committee Report"), which is attached hereto, in which the Charter Committee makes certain findings and recommends that the County Board approve the Renewal Petition.

WHEREAS, the County Board has reviewed the Renewal Petition, including the supporting documentation and information; considered applicable law and regulations; and reviewed and considered the Committee Report, including analysis and recommendation.

WHEREAS, based on the criteria set forth in EC sections 47605, 47607, 47607.2, and other applicable law and regulations, the County Board has done the following: (1) Considered the schoolwide performance and performance of all subgroups of pupils served by EBCA on the state indicators included in the evaluation rubrics adopted pursuant to EC section 52064.5 and the performance of EBCA on the local indicators included in the evaluation rubrics adopted pursuant to EC section 52064.5; (2) Provided greater weight to performance on measurements of academic performance in determining whether to grant the EBCA charter renewal; (3) Reviewed all required data pursuant to EC 47607 and 47607.2; and (4) evaluated whether EBCA has complied with the criteria set forth in EC 47605.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Fresno County Board of Education as follows:

1. The County Board finds the above-listed recitals to be true and correct and incorporates them herein by this reference.
2. The County Board hereby adopts the Committee Report (See attached Committee Report), including all findings therein, which is incorporated herein in its entirety by this reference.
3. The County Board, having reviewed and considered the Renewal Petition, supporting documentation and applicable data, applicable EC sections, other applicable laws and regulations, the applicable criteria, and the Committee Report, hereby approves the Renewal Petition for a term of five years (July 1, 2027 through June 30, 2032) contingent upon EBCA entering into and executing a Memorandum of Understanding in the form and including the terms and conditions satisfactory to the County Board or designee that will govern the County Board's oversight of EBCA on or before November 19, 2026.

This Resolution is adopted by the Fresno County Board of Education at its meeting of October 15, 2026 by the following votes:

President Marcy Masumoto:	Yes	☒	No	☐	Abstain	☐	Absent	☐
Vice President Kimberly Tapscott-Munson:	Yes	☒	No	☐	Abstain	☐	Absent	☐
Member Allen Clyde:	Yes	☒	No	☐	Abstain	☐	Absent	☐
Member Bryan Burton:	Yes	☒	No	☐	Abstain	☐	Absent	☐
Member Itzi Robles:	Yes	☒	No	☐	Abstain	☐	Absent	☐


 Marcy Masumoto, President

CERTIFICATION

I am the Ex-Officio Secretary and Executive Officer of the Fresno County Board of Education and hereby certify that the foregoing resolution is the full, true, and correct resolution duly passed and adopted by the Fresno County Board of Education on the date stated above.

By: 
 Dr. Michele Cantwell-Copher
 Fresno County Superintendent of Schools
 Ex-Officio Secretary and Executive Officer of the
 Fresno County Board of Education

Date: 10/15/26