



LOS ANGELES UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Board of Education Report

Report Number:	196-12/13
Date:	February 12, 2013
Subject:	Parent Empowerment Act Final Disposition for 24 th Street Elementary
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Action Proposed: Staff proposes the Board of Education implement the requested intervention option, the restart model, as defined in NCLB and the Parent Empowerment Act (“Act”), which states “an LEA converts a school or closes and reopens a school under a charter school operator, charter management organization (CMO), or an education management organization (EMO) that has been selected through a rigorous review process.... A restart model must enroll, within the grades it serves, any former student who wishes to attend the school.”

Background: On January 17, 2013, parents from 24th Street Elementary School (“24th Street”) submitted a petition under the Parent Empowerment Act requesting that 24th Street be restarted for the 2013-2014 school year under an independent charter school operator. Petitioners opted not to name a specific charter school operator and instead issued a RFP which is allowable under the regulations. Petitioners also indicated in various correspondences openness to other transformation reform models and willingness to work collaboratively with the District in determining the best plan for 24th Street.

Pursuant to the Act and its implementing regulations, the District has completed the signature verification process and determined that the petition meets the required number of signatures and regulatory requirements for signatures as well as petition contents.

At the invitation of the lead petitioner-parents, the District, on January 25, 2013, submitted a Letter of Interest for the parents’ RFP process. The District’s Letter of Interest was accepted by the petitioners. Consistent with the ongoing Public School Choice process, starting on February 4, 2013, ISIC conducted a comprehensive three-day needs assessment at 24th



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Street.

Pursuant to the regulations, the Board is required to issue a final disposition on or before March 3, 2013 (45 days after the petition submission).

Expected Outcomes: Pursuant to the petition and the Parent Empowerment Act and regulations, the parents have issued a Request for Proposals and solicited the proposal of the District. Petitioner must then submit the proposal they selected in their process to the Board of Education within 90 calendar days. Within the 90 days, the parents will review all proposals, select the proposals and present the proposal to the Board of Education.

Board Options and Consequences: Pursuant to the Parent Empowerment Act and regulations, the Board shall act to implement this model, unless the Board determines that it cannot implement the specific recommended option requested in the petition and has provided in writing, during a regularly scheduled public meeting, the considerations and reasons for such a finding.

Policy Implications: None

Budget Impact: Pending outcome of Request for Proposals process and selected operator.

Issues and Analysis:

Informative

Desegregation Impact Statement This action does not require a Desegregation Impact Statement.



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Respectfully submitted,

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