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Michael Williams  
Commissioner

June 4, 2015

CDN: 108-807

Ms. Joann Gama  
IDEA Public Schools  
505 Angelita Drive, Suite 9  
Weslaco, Texas 78599

Dear Ms. Gama:

The commissioner has approved the following amendment requests:

(140-15/1) IDEA PUBLIC SCHOOLS to add a campus in the San Antonio area, to serve students in kindergarten through grade five (5), effective July 1, 2016, provided an appropriate certificate of occupancy is submitted to the Division of Charter School Administration prior to serving students;

(140-15/2) IDEA PUBLIC SCHOOLS to add a campus in the San Antonio area, to serve students in grades six (6) through twelve (12), effective July 1, 2016, provided an appropriate certificate of occupancy is submitted to the Division of Charter School Administration prior to serving students;

(140-15/5) IDEA PUBLIC SCHOOLS to add a campus in the Austin area, to serve students in kindergarten through grade five (5), effective July 1, 2016, provided an appropriate certificate of occupancy is submitted to the Division of Charter School Administration prior to serving students; and

(140-15/6) IDEA PUBLIC SCHOOLS to add a campus in the Austin area, to serve students in grades six (6) through twelve (12), effective July 1, 2016, provided an appropriate certificate of occupancy is submitted to the Division of Charter School Administration prior to serving students.

If the charter holder fails to open any or all of the new campuses listed above by August 1, 2016, the agency's approval of the campus(es) is null and void.

The approval of a new campus is contingent upon the receipt of a certificate of occupancy (COO), or equivalent certificate, appropriate for the proposed use of the facilities. Please submit the COO, or equivalent certificate, for each new facility to the Division of Charter School Administration prior to serving students. Failure to provide the COOs, or appropriate certificates, may result in funding being denied or reclaimed.

Ms. Joann Gama, Superintendent  
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The commissioner of education has considered and denied the following amendment request submitted by IDEA Public Schools pursuant to 19 TAC §100.1033(b):

(140-15/7) IDEA PUBLIC SCHOOLS to increase the charter's maximum student enrollment from 45,000 to 55,000.

If you have any questions, please contact Nina Gonzalez in the Division of Charter School Administration by phone at (512) 463-9575 or by email at [nina.gonzalez@tea.texas.gov](mailto:nina.gonzalez@tea.texas.gov).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Heather Mauzé".

Heather Mauzé, Director  
Division of Charter School Administration

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Name of Charter: IDEA Public Schools

County-District Number: 108807

Name of Charter Holder: IDEA Public Schools

Requested Effective Date: 7/1/16

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- a. What is the address of the proposed campus? TBD in San Antonio (Waters Edge Dr)
- b. Is the proposed campus within the currently approved geographic boundary of the charter? Yes  
If no, check the GEOGRAPHIC BOUNDARY EXPANSION box in #3 and enter requested information.
- c. Is the proposed campus a residential facility? No  
(If yes, attach RF assurances form found on the charter amendments webpage.)
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- e. What grade levels will be served at the proposed campus? K-5
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- i. If a new campus number is requested, should mail be sent to the campus? No
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(If yes, attach evidence that impact statements have been sent to each member of the legislature that represents the geographic area to be served by the proposed "Quality Campus." See #3 on Section III Checklist.)

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❖ *Attach an education plan to include a full calendar year scope and sequence and specific curriculum to be taught for the additional grade levels.*

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Please list, in alphabetical order, the proposed school districts (ISDs) to be added to the geographic boundary.

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  - A signed statement attesting that within the last three (3) years there have been no instances of nepotism, conflicts of interest, or revelations in criminal history checks that deemed any board member or employee ineligible to serve.
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Thomas Torkelson

Name of CEO/Superintendent

967-377-8000

Phone Number

Tom.Torkelson@ideapublicschools.org

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Signature of CEO/Superintendent

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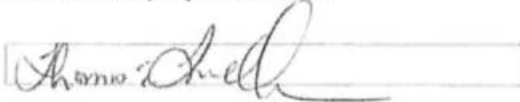
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#140-157 (Only one maximum student enrollment increase is allowed during each calendar year.)

**Section II: Justification for Expansion Amendment Request:**

In the space below, please state justification for the expansion amendment requested.

IDEA Public Schools is requesting expansion amendments to open an additional 8 schools in 2016-17 that will serve approximately 10,000 students when fully-scaled.

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### Section III: Expansion Amendment Request Form Checklist: (Include for all Expansion Amendment Requests)

- ☒ **1. Charter Holder Board Resolution** – A written resolution adopted by the governing body of the charter holder, with printed names and signatures demonstrating that a **quorum** of the members voted in favor of amending the charter. The names should match information on the most recent Annual Governance Reporting Forms submitted to TEA.  
(If multiple amendment requests are being made, include all board resolutions together.)
- ☒ **2. Districts Affected**—A list, in **alphabetical order**, of the school districts in the approved geographic boundary that may be impacted should the commissioner approve the amendment request. (Not needed for geographic boundary expansion.)
- ☒ **3. Impact Statements**—Evidence, in **alphabetical order by district**, that impact statements have been sent to each school district that may be affected by the expansion. (If applying for a Quality Campus expansion, attach evidence that impact statements have been sent to each member of the legislature that represents the geographic area to be served by the proposed "Quality Campus.")
- ☒ **4. Compliance information**—As required by 19 Texas Administrative Code §100.1035 to include the following:
  - Documentation identifying a board member's substantial interest in a business entity or in real property that relates to any charter business;
  - Documentation of board members abstentions from voting in cases of potential conflicts of interest;
  - Documentation, other than Annual Governance Reporting Forms, identifying family members within the third degree of consanguinity or affinity who serve as board members and/or employees and/or contractors of the charter holder or charter school; and
  - Documentation that board members' or employees' whose criminal history checks deemed them ineligible to serve were removed from service;

**OR**

  - A signed statement attesting that within the last three (3) years there have been no instances of nepotism, conflicts of interest, or revelations in criminal history checks that deemed any board member or employee ineligible to serve.
- ☒ **5. Business Plan**—Attach a business plan stating all financial implications generated by expansion including current and proposed budget. (Not needed for geographic boundary expansion.) (See business plan components on the Charter Amendments webpage.)
- ☒ **6. By-laws and Articles of Incorporation**— Must be current and on file with the agency.

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### Section IV: Charter School CEO/superintendent acknowledgement, signature, and current contact information:

As the CEO/superintendent of the charter school, I understand that an expansion amendment is not a right or entitlement and that in determining if a change in the contract for charter is appropriate, the commissioner of education will review and consider specific issues including, but not limited to: charter performance data (e.g., accountability ratings, FIRST ratings, accreditation statuses, and underlying data) and compliance information. I also understand that prior to approving an expansion amendment request, staff in the following divisions and program areas will be consulted to determine if any potential problems or concerns exist with the charter holder or charter school: Performance Reporting, Charter School Administration, Child Nutrition, Financial Audits, Grants Administration, Legal Services, PEIMS Data Reporting, Program Monitoring and Interventions, NCLB and IDEA Programs, Student Assessment, Governance and Waivers, General Inquiries, and Complaints.

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I further understand that incomplete submissions may cause a delay in processing until all required documentation has been received by the Division of Charter School Administration and that the amendment request is not considered complete until such time.

(Contact the Division of Charter School Administration at [charteramendments@tea.texas.gov](mailto:charteramendments@tea.texas.gov) to confirm the submission of proper documentation. Include the charter name and CDN in the subject line.)

Thomas Torkelson

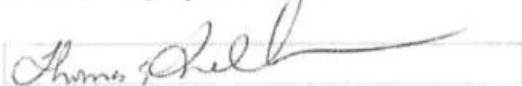
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Name of CEO/Superintendent

Phone Number

Email Address



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Signature of CEO/Superintendent

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**RESOLUTION TO REQUEST COMMISSIONER OF EDUCATION APPROVAL OF CHARTER AMENDMENTS**

**WHEREAS**, IDEA Public Schools offers exceptional public schooling to students from traditionally underserved communities; and

**WHEREAS**, we believe that students in Rio Grande City, Austin and San Antonio would benefit from attending IDEA Public Schools; and

**WHEREAS**, IDEA Public Schools is financially and organizationally prepared to expand; and

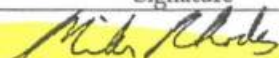
**WHEREAS**, this body has considered a business plan containing:




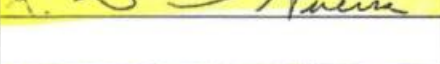
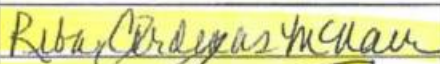
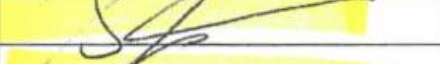

- o A statement discussing the need for an increase in the maximum enrollment
- o A statement discussing the current and projected financial condition of the charter holder and/or the charter school
- o An unaudited statement of financial position for the current fiscal year
- o An unaudited statement of activities for the current fiscal year
- o An unaudited statement of cash flows for the current fiscal year
- o A pro forma budget that includes the costs of operating the charter school, including the implementation of the expansion amendment
- o A statement or schedule that identifies the assumptions used to calculate the charter school's estimated Foundation School Program revenues
- o A statement discussing the use of debt instruments to finance part or all of the charter school's incremental costs.
- o A statement discussing the incremental cost of acquiring additional facilities, furniture, and equipment to accommodate the anticipated increase in student enrollment
- o A statement discussing the incremental cost of additional on site personnel and identifying the additional number of full-time equivalents that will be employed;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that IDEA Public Schools asks that the commissioner of education grant amendments to the charter to:

1. Open two new schools in San Antonio in July 2016, two new schools in Austin, TX in July 2016, and two new schools in Rio Grande City, TX in July 2016.
2. Defer the opening of two new schools in San Antonio from July 2015 to July 2016.
3. Relocate IDEA Allan College Preparatory to 1701 Vargas Rd., Austin TX 78741 in January 2015 and IDEA Allan Academy to 1701 Vargas Rd., Austin TX 78741 in June 2015.
4. Define a primary boundary within its geographic boundaries for the IDEA Allan Academy and IDEA Allan College Preparatory campuses to specifically give preference to students applying from the following zip codes: 78741, 78702, 78742, and 78721.
5. Define a primary boundary within its geographic boundaries for the two Austin campuses opening in July 2015 to specifically give preference to students applying from the following zip codes: 78753, 78752, 78754, and 78758.
6. Increase the maximum enrollment from 45,000 to 55,000, to accommodate future growth.

Approved by Board of Directors on December 18, 2014 in Weslaco, TX.

Name	Attendance	Signature
Mike Rhodes, Chair		

Bill Martin, Vice-Chair		
Gabriel Puente, Secretary		
Thomas E. Torkelson, Member		
David Guerra, Member		
Ruben M. Lopez, M.D., Member		
Reba Cardenas-McNair, Member		
Sergio Sanchez, Member		
Eric Ziche, Member		
Edna De Saro, Member		
Bert Garcia, Member		