

Mary L Booker Charter Petition Appeal



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APRIL 24, 2018

MLBLA Submitted Petition to SFUSD
Board of Education

JUNE 12, 2018

SFUSD Board of Education Unanimously
Denied the MLBLA Petition

JULY 27, 2018

MLBLA Appealed the SFUSD Denial to the
SBE

OCTOBER 9, 2018

Advisory Commission for Charter Schools
Recommended SBE Approval of MLBLA

SFUSD REVIEW OF THE MLBLA PETITION

The MLBLA Petition was reviewed by the SFUSD Charter Petition Review Committee comprised of:

- Chief Academic Officer
- Chief, Student, Family & Community Support
- Director, Policy & Planning & Charter Schools
- Chief of Human Resources
- Chief Financial Officer
- Assistant Superintendent, Cohort III
- Executive Director, Counseling & Post Secondary Success
- Director, Multi-Lingual Pathways
- Director, Creativity and The Arts

Committee Findings were heard by:

- Board of Education Curriculum and Program Committee
- Board of Education Budget and Business Services Committee
- Full Board of Education

SFUSD FINDINGS FOR DENIAL OF THE MLBLA PETITION

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The Petition Fails to Set Forth Reasonably Comprehensive Descriptions of All Required Charter Elements (Ed. Code, § 47605, subd. (b)(5).)

The elements of a high quality instructional programs are not adequately defined.

The Petition does not contain a sufficient description of the procedures by which students can be suspended or expelled.

The Petition inadequately defines the training that would produce the teaching skills required to implement its instructional model.

The petitioners appear not to have adequate technical backing and support, and both Innovate and the petition writers appear to lack this subject matter expertise.

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Ed. Code § 47605(b)(2) and 5 C.C.R. § 11967.5.1(c).**

Lack of School Governance Experience:

The experience of the Founding Leader does not provide the background meeting the experience and qualifications cited in the Petition.

Innovate and the Lead Petitioner have not demonstrated the capacity to successfully operate a charter school.

Inadequate Demonstration of Community Support:

The petition relied upon teacher signatures and provided no signatures of “meaningfully interested” parents.

FINDINGS: CDE REVIEW OF THE MLBLA PETITION

- The petition does not present a reasonably comprehensive description of measurable pupil outcomes
- The petition does not present a reasonably comprehensive description of suspension and expulsion procedures.
- The petition does not present a reasonably comprehensive description of annual independent financial audits.
- The petition does not meet the requirement to address goals to address the eight State Priorities (*EC* Section 47605[b][5][A][ii])

MLBLA Should Not be Approved as a Charter School under SBE Oversight

The MLBLA petition, as reviewed by the CDE and SFUSD, does not contain the required elements for approval, does not indicate likelihood for success, and should not be approved for operation in San Francisco, under SBE oversight.