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## RESOLUTION #19-21 TO DENY REQUEST FOR MATERIAL REVISION TO PACIFIC COLLEGIATE CHARTER SCHOOL

**WHEREAS**, on October 17, 2019 lead petitioner Maria Reitano, Ed.D. ("Petitioners") for the Pacific Collegiate Charter School ("Charter School") submitted a charter petition renewal ("Petition") to the Santa Cruz County Office of Education Board of Trustees, that included a material revision to add a 6th grade pilot program.

**WHEREAS**, on November 7, 2019, Petitioners submitted a revised Request for Material Revision to the Santa Cruz County Office of Education seeking approval to add a 6th grade pilot program to the school.

**WHEREAS**, the Santa Cruz County Board of Education ("County Board") held a public hearing on November 21, 2019, as required by Education Code section 47605, for the purpose of considering the level of support for the Request for Material Revision by parents, teachers and other employees of the districts within the jurisdiction of the County Office; and

WHEREAS, the Santa Cruz County Superintendent of Schools and his charter school review team, along with legal counsel, have reviewed and analyzed the Request for Material Revision, including all supporting documentation submitted by Petitioners to the County Office following submittal of the Request for Material Revision, for legal, programmatic and fiscal sufficiency, and have submitted a Staff Report and Proposed Findings of Fact ("Staff Report") to the County Board, which Staff Report was made part of the agenda for this meeting and shall be deemed integrated into this resolution as Exhibit B; and

**WHEREAS**, the Staff Report identifies numerous deficiencies in the Request for Material Revision, such that the Petition may be denied.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Santa Cruz County Board of Education, having fully considered and evaluated the Request for Material Revision and supporting documentation hereby adopts the findings of fact set forth in the Staff Report attached

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hereto as Exhibit B, as the County Board's own, and on the basis of those findings of fact, the County Board determines that:

- 1. The Request for Material Revision presents an unsound educational program for the students to be enrolled in the Charter School (Ed. Code § 47605(b)(1));
- 2. Petitioners are demonstrably unlikely to successfully implement the program set forth in the Request for Material Revision (Ed. Code § 47605(b)(2)); and
- 3. The Request for Material Revision does not contain reasonably comprehensive descriptions of all of the fifteen required elements set forth in Education Code section 47605, subdivision (b)(5)(A)-(O).

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that, based on the findings of fact set forth in Exhibit B, which are incorporated herein by reference, the Request for Material Revision is hereby denied.

**PASSED and ADOPTED** by the Board of Education of Santa Cruz County on this 17th day of December, 2019 by the following vote:

AYES: BARR, FILICETTI, NICHOLS, POTH, VAN ALLEN

NAYS: SANCHEZ, SALES

ABSTAIN: NONE .

ABSENT: NONE.

**Board President** 

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Faris M. Sabbah, Secretary

Santa Cruz County Superintendent of Schools