

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY****Title: Recommendations for Preliminary Approval of 2009 Charter School Applications****Type of Executive Summary:**

Action       Action on First Reading       Discussion       Information

**Policy Implications:**

Constitution \_\_\_\_\_  
 General Statute # 115C-238.29D(b)  
 SBE Policy # \_\_\_\_\_  
 SBE Policy Amendment  
 SBE Policy (New)  
 APA # \_\_\_\_\_  
 APA Amendment  
 APA (New)  
 Other \_\_\_\_\_

**Presenter(s):** Mr. Jack Moyer (Director, Office of Charter Schools)**Description:**

As per NCGS 115C-238.29D(b), the State Board of Education may authorize no more than 100 charter schools. There will be three (3) openings for preliminary charters of new schools at the beginning of the 2009-10 school year. Seven (7) applicants were interviewed by the LFI Committee:

- Bear Grass Charter School
- Duplin Charter School
- Henderson Collegiate
- Lake Lure Classical Academy
- McKinney Academy Charter School
- Mountain Island Charter School
- New Bern International Academy

Three applications will be chosen and recommended by LFI to the State Board of Education for preliminary charter approval at the July 2009 SBE meeting.

All schools receiving preliminary approval will undergo rigorous training as per the expectations set by the state and federal government for operation of a public charter school. Each applicant will further develop the bylaws, policies, and procedures that are deemed necessary for the effective and efficient operation of a charter school. The SBE will review the progress of the school(s) no later than the March 2010 SBE meeting when final approval may be granted.

**Resources:**

N/A

**Input Process:**

Charter school applicants, local education agencies, parents, teachers, students, and the Department of Public Instruction, LFI Committee

**Stakeholders:**

Charter school applicants, local education agencies, parents, teachers, students, and the Department of Public Instruction

**Timeline For Action:**

This item is presented for discussion during the June 2009 SBE meeting with action during the July 2009 SBE meeting.

**Recommendations:**

The Office of Charter Schools recommends the LFI Committee present three (3) applicants to receive preliminary charters to the SBE for Action at the July 2009 SBE meeting.

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Seconded By: \_\_\_\_\_

Vote: Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

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Approved \_\_\_\_\_ Disapproved \_\_\_\_\_

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