

**To: Members of the State Board of
Education & Early Development**

March 1, 2022

From: Dr. Michael Johnson, Commissioner

Agenda Item: 4B

◆ ISSUE

The board is being asked to approve the renewal application of the Aquarian Charter School for a ten-year (10) period.

◆ BACKGROUND

- On November 1, 2021, the Anchorage School District's Board of Education approved the renewal application of the Aquarian Charter School for ten (10) years.
- Behind this memo is an executive summary of the charter school application and the local school board minutes approving the renewal. DEED's review team found the application adequately addresses the established review criteria in meeting the charter school statutes and regulations.
- Deb Riddle, Division Operations Manager with the Division of Innovation and Education Excellence, will be present to brief the board.
- Brittany Nerland, Principal of the Aquarian Charter School, will be present to speak to this item.

◆ OPTIONS

This is a work session item. Action will take place under Agenda Item 11B.