

**CHARTER SCHOOL APPEAL COMMISSION**  
**Recommendation to State Board of Education, January 17, 2006**

LAKE WALES CHARTER SCHOOLS, INC.  
EDWARD W. BOK ACADEMY

Petitioner,

v.

SCHOOL BOARD OF  
POLK COUNTY

DOE Case No. 2005-1125

RECOMMENDATION

On October 11, 2005, the School Board of Polk County (School Board) voted to deny the charter application of Lake Wales Charter Schools, Inc., Edward W. Bok Academy (Charter School). The Charter School filed this appeal on November 18, 2005. On January 5, 2006, the Charter School Appeal Commission heard the appeal of this matter. **Thereafter, the Commission voted 5 to 1 to recommend to the State Board of Education to grant the appeal of the Charter School.** The Commission's justifications for its recommendation were as follows:

1. The Commission voted 5 to 1 that the School Board **did not** have competent, substantial evidence to support its finding that the Application was statutorily deficient in the area of "Reading Curriculum".
2. The Commission voted 6 to 0 that the School Board **did not** have competent, substantial evidence to support its finding that the Application was statutorily deficient in the area of "Student Accountability".

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Kim McDougal, Commissioner's Designee  
Charter School Appeal Commission

FILED with the Agency Clerk of the Department of Education this \_\_\_\_\_ day of January, 2006.

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AGENCY CLERK