

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

STUDENTS ARE FOR EDUCATION – S.A.F.E

Petitioner,

v.

SCHOOL BOARD OF  
JACKSON COUNTY

DOE Case No. 2005-1092

RECOMMENDATION

On June 13, 2005, the School Board of Jackson County (School Board) voted to not renew the charter of Students Are For Education – S.A.F.E (Charter School). The Charter School filed a Notice of Appeal of the Denial of Charter Renewal and a Motion for Extension of Time to File Written Arguments on July 13, 2005. The School Board filed a Motion to Dismiss Appeal on July 15, 2005. The Charter School filed a Response to the School Boards Motion to Dismiss Appeal on July 21, 2005. The Charter School filed a Notice of Appeal from Denial of Charter Renewal on September 25, 2005. The Charter School filed a Corrected Brief on Appeal from the Non-Renewal of Charter on October 5, 2005. The School Board filed it’s response on November 1, 2005. On January 4, 2006, the Charter School Appeal Commission heard the appeal of this matter. **Thereafter, the Commission voted 7 to 0 to recommend to the State Board of Education to deny the appeal of the Charter School.** The Commission’s justifications for its recommendation were as follows:

1. The Commission voted 7 to 0 that the School Board **did** have competent, substantial evidence to support its finding that the Charter School failed to submit financial reports to the School Board in a timely manner.
2. The Commission voted 7 to 0 that the School Board’s non-renewal of the Charter Contract based on the failure to submit financial reports to the School Board in a timely manner **is** statutory good cause for non-renewal.
3. The Commission voted 7 to 0 that the School Board **did** have competent, substantial evidence to support its finding that the Charter School failed to pay invoices for transportation and food services billed to it by the School Board.

4. The Commission voted 4 to 3 that the School Board's non-renewal of the Charter Contract based on its finding that the Charter School failed to pay invoices for transportation and food services billed to it by the School Board **is** statutory good cause for non-renewal.
5. The Commission voted 7 to 0 that the school Board **did** have competent, substantial evidence to support its finding that the Appellant failed to submit capital outlay plans for fiscal years 2004 and 2005 in a timely manner.
6. The Commission voted 4 to 3 that the School Board's non-renewal of the Charter Contract based on the failure to submit capital outlay plans for fiscal years 2004 and 2005 in timely manner **is not** statutory good cause for non-renewal.
7. The Commission voted 7 to 0 that the School Board **did** have competent, substantial evidence to support its finding that the Charter School's financial status was poor.
8. The Commission voted 7 to 0 that the School Board's non-renewal of the Charter Contract based on its finding that the financial status of the Charter School was poor **is** statutory good cause for non-renewal.
9. The Commission voted 7 to 0 that the School Board **did** have competent, substantial evidence to support its finding that the Charter School failed to document the use of the Sunshine State Standards.
10. The Commission voted 6 to 1 that the School Board's non-renewal of the Charter Contract based on its finding that the Charter School failed to document the use of the Sunshine State Standards **is** statutory good cause for non-renewal.
11. The Commission voted 7 to 0 that the School Board **did** have competent, substantial evidence to support its finding that the Charter School violated security rules and academic integrity standards during the Florida Comprehensive Assessment Test.
12. The Commission voted 7 to 0 that the School Board's non-renewal of the Charter Contract based on its finding that the Charter School violated security rules and academic integrity standards during the Florida Comprehensive Assessment Test **is** statutory good cause for non-renewal.
13. The Commission voted 7 to 0 that the School Board **did** have competent, substantial evidence to support its finding that the Charter School failed to ensure student participation in related services.
14. The Commission voted 5 to 2 that the School Board's non-renewal of the Charter Contract based on its finding that the Charter School failed to ensure student participation in related services **is** statutory good cause for non-renewal.
15. The Commission voted 7 to 0 that the School Board **did** have competent, substantial evidence to support its finding that the Charter School failed to provide copies of the insurance policies and certificates.
16. The Commission voted 7 to 0 that the School Board's non-renewal of the Charter Contract based on its finding that the Charter School failed to provide copies of the insurance policies and certificates **is** statutory good cause for non-renewal.
17. The Commission voted 6 to 1 that the School Board **did** have competent, substantial evidence to support its finding that the Charter School failed to properly transfer student records.
18. The Commission voted 7 to 0 that the School Board's non-renewal of the Charter Contract based on its finding that the Charter School failed to properly transfer student records **is not** statutory good cause for non-renewal.

19. The Commission voted 6 to 1 that the School Board **did** have competent, substantial evidence to support its finding that the Charter School failed to input student grades into the School Board's AS400 data system and failed to utilize electronic data processing.
20. The Commission voted 6 to 1 that the School Board's non-renewal of the Charter Contract based on its finding that the Charter School failed to input student grades into the School Board's AS400 data system and failed to utilize electronic data processing **is** statutory good cause for non-renewal.
21. The Commission voted 7 to 0 that the School Board **did** have competent, substantial evidence to support its finding that the Charter School failed to maintain its corporate status in good standing and failed to have regular meetings of its board of directors.
22. The Commission voted 7 to 0 that the School Board's non-renewal of the Charter Contract based on its finding that the Charter School failed to maintain its corporate status in good standing and failed to have regular meetings of its board of directors **is** statutory good cause for non-renewal.

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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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