# SCHOOL BOARD AGENDA ITEM REQUEST

Meeting Date:	March 1, 2017
Category:	Consent
Division:	Charter
Title:	CS3 – Somerset Academy Boca Middle - Proposed Renewal of Charter Contract

#### **Description**

On June 20, 2012, Somerset Academy Boca Middle, Inc. was granted a five (5) year Charter Contract to serve K-5 students.

The mission of the school is to, "Somerset Academy Boca Elementary and Middle School strives to meet the academic, social and emotional needs of each and every student. Somerset Boca is committed to the development of the whole child with an educational philosophy that focuses on respect and high expectations. At Somerset Boca, teachers and the parents work in partnership to instill academic excellence, social responsibility and personal integrity in each student."

Pursuant to F.S. 1002.33(7)(b)1, Somerset Academy Boca Middle meets the criteria for renewal and does not fall under any grounds for termination.

The School Board's approval of the Charter Renewal indicates an agreement to enter into charter contract negotiations, and if successfully negotiated by Legal and approved by the School Board, will result in entering into a Charter Contract. The Charter will be a binding agreement, which shall detail the rights and responsibilities of the School Board and the Charter School. If the Charter Renewal is not approved by the School Board, the School Board is required to send a 90 day notice letter indicating the reasons for non-renewal and the right to appeal. If the Charter School does not appeal, or the School appeals and the School Board prevails, then the school is closed after the 90 days.

Attached are copies of the Charter Contract, Annual Review, Program Renewal Review, Board Notification, and Matrix for March 1, 2017, Board Agenda Items.

# **Recommendation**

I recommend that the School Board approve the Charter Renewal for Somerset Academy Boca Middle and authorize the Superintendent and/or his designee to sign all related contracts and documents.

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#### **Financial Impact**

There is no financial impact to the District.