



VIRGINIA BOARD OF EDUCATION

AGENDA ITEM

Agenda Item: D

Date: June 21, 2024

Title: College Partnership Laboratory School Final Funding Decisions

Presenter: Dr. Andy Armstrong, Assistant Superintendent of Strategic Innovation

Purpose of Presentation

Action required by state or federal law or regulation (i.e., a change in law requires a change in program requirements; this is part of a regulatory action).

Executive Summary

The College Partnership Laboratory Schools Fund (Fund), set out in § [22.1-349.2](#) of the *Code of Virginia*, was first established in 2010 for the purpose of establishing and supporting College Partnership Laboratory Schools.

Section [22.1-349.2](#) of the *Code of Virginia* and [Item 137.C.44](#) of the 2022 Appropriation Act direct the Board to establish criteria and guidelines for the distribution and award of moneys from the Fund prior to disbursement.

Action Requested

Final review: Action requested at this meeting.

The Board is requested to vote separately on each of the following items:

1. The Board's determination of the total allocation of funding for the Old Dominion University Booker T. Washington STEM Academy lab school.
2. The Board's determination of the total allocation of funding for the George Mason University DSCA lab school.
3. The Board's determination of the final College Preparatory Lab School funding amounts.

Rationale for Action

The Board must allocate determine the final funding allocations to the previously contracted lab schools. Also, based on the budget from May 13, 2024, all funds that have not been

obligated for approved College Partnership Lab Schools will be revert to the general fund on June 30, 2024.

Previous Review or Action

On May 21, 2024, the Board held a special meeting for Lab School Committee proposals. The Board voted to approve two lab schools: George Mason University's DSCA lab school and Old Dominion University's STEM Academy lab school at Booker T. Washington Elementary.

On June 10, 2024, the College Partnership Laboratory School Standing Committee met. During that meeting, it was noted that all financial funding decisions for Lab School Applications will be completed for all recommendations and subsequent recommendations by the end of June.

Background Information and Statutory Authority

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Stakeholder Engagement

This item will not require stakeholder engagement.

Implementation and Communication

1. Upon approval by the Board, VDOE staff will coordinate with the Office of the Attorney General to execute a contract between the Board and ODU to establish the lab school by June 30th with the specified total allocations, in accordance with § [22.1-349.5](#) of the Code of Virginia, as well as §§ [22.1-349.3\(C\)](#) and [22.1- 349.4](#). The approval of the lab school will be publicized through the VDOE, ODU, and participating school divisions.
2. Upon approval by the Board, VDOE staff will coordinate with the Office of the Attorney General to execute a contract between the Board and GMU to establish the lab school by June 30th with the specified total allocations, in accordance with § [22.1-349.5](#) of the Code of Virginia, as well as §§ [22.1-349.3\(C\)](#) and [22.1- 349.4](#). The approval of the lab school will be publicized through the VDOE, GMU, and participating school divisions.
3. The Board's determination of all final College Partnership Lab School funding allocations.

Impact on Fiscal and Human Resources

This item will not impact resources at VDOE.