# JUSTIFICATION FOR SERIES 0000 (Board Bylaws)

(Pending Board Adoption October 16, 2019)

#### Background:

BP/AR 0420 - School Plans/Site Councils (BP/AR revised)

Policy updated to reflect **NEW LAW (AB 716)** which renames the single plan for student achievement as the school plan for student achievement (SPSA), authorizes the use of uniform complaint procedures for complaints alleging noncompliance with requirements related to the establishment of school site councils or the development of the SPSA, and authorizes the use of the SPSA to satisfy the requirement for a school improvement plan when a school is identified for targeted or comprehensive support. Regulation updated to reflect AB 716 which eliminates the authority to use a school advisory committee other than a school site council to develop the SPSA, allows certain small schools to share a school site council, requires a needs assessment to identify school goals, and, if applicable, requires consultation with the school's English learner advisory committee on review of the SPSA.

### BP/E 0420.41 - Charter School Oversight (BP/E revised)

Policy updated to include the California School Dashboard as a means for monitoring charter school performance and identifying the need for technical assistance. Policy also deletes material related to the identification of schools for federal Program Improvement, which is no longer operational. Exhibit reorganized and subheads added for clarity. Exhibit also reflects NEW LAW (SB 126, 2019) and NEW ATTORNEY GENERAL OPINION which clarify that charter schools are subject to the Brown Act, California Public Records Act, Political Reform Act, and conflict of interest laws, and **NEW LAWS** which (1) prohibit the operation of a charter school as a for-profit corporation or organization (AB 406); (2) provide that a student who is receiving individual instruction at home or a hospital due to a temporary disability must be allowed to return to the charter school when well enough to do so (AB 2109); (3) require specified accommodations for pregnant and parenting students (AB 2289); (4) prohibit taking negative action against a student or former student for a debt owed to the school (AB 1974); (5) require development of a local control funding formula (LCFF) budget overview for parents/guardians in conjunction with the local control and accountability plan (LCAP) (AB 1808); (6) require charter schools applying for certain categorical funding to adopt a school plan for student achievement (AB 716); (7) require charter schools to adopt a comprehensive safety plan (AB 1747); (8) require each bus to be equipped with a child safety alert system (AB 1840); (9) require charter schools serving grades 7-12 to offer comprehensive sexual health and HIV prevention education (AB 2601); (10) require parental notification regarding human trafficking resources (SB 1104); (11) require charter schools to exempt certain students transferring in grades 11-12 from locally established graduation requirements (AB 2121); (12) allow students to wear cultural or religious adornments at graduation ceremonies (AB 1248); (13) require charter schools to provide eligible students with a free or reduced-price meal each day (AB 1871); (14) require charter schools to review their suicide prevention policy at least once every five years (AB 2639); (15) require that the suicide prevention hotline number be printed on student identification cards (SB 972); (16) require notification of how to access school or community mental health services (AB 2022); (17) require an automated external defibrillator to be accessible at athletic events (AB 2009); (18) mandate the adoption of policy on bullying and cyberbullying prevention (AB 2291); (19) prohibit the use of seclusion and restraint for disciplinary purposes (AB 2657); (20) prohibit the inclusion of a student's or parent/guardian';s personal information in board minutes when so requested (SB 1036); and (21) require charter schools receiving state facilities funding to provide an annual report of facilities expenditures and submit an audit within one year of project completion (AB 99, 2017; AB 1808).

### **BP 0420.42 - Charter School Renewal** (BP revised)

Policy updated to reflect **NEW LAW (AB 1808)** which requires alternative measures for meeting the student achievement criteria for charter renewal in lieu of the Academic Performance Index (API) and **NEW LAW (AB 406)** which prohibits a charter school that is renewed on or after July 1, 2019 from being operated as a for-profit corporation or organization. Policy also clarifies that district boards do not review renewal petitions for charter schools that were authorized by county boards on appeal, and addresses the definition of "receipt" of the petition for purposes of determining the timeline for granting or denying the petition.

# **BP/AR 0450 - Comprehensive Safety Plan** (BP/AR revised)

Policy updated to reflect **NEW LAW (AB 1747)** which requires the California Department of Education (CDE) to post a compliance checklist for developing the comprehensive safety plan and best practices related to reviewing and approving the plan, and requires districts to share their approved comprehensive safety plans with local law enforcement, the fire department, and other first responder entities. Regulation updated to reflect AB 1747, which adds requirements to consult with the fire department and other first responders in developing safety plans and to develop procedures for conducting tactical responses to criminal incidents, including procedures related to individuals with guns on campus and at school-related functions.

# **BP/AR 0460 - Local Control and Accountability Plan** (BP/AR revised)

Policy and regulation updated to reflect **NEW LAW (AB 2878)** which expands the state priority on parent involvement that must be addressed in the local control and accountability plan (LCAP) to include family engagement. Policy also reflects **NEW LAW (AB 1808)** which requires consultation on plan development with special education local plan administrator(s) and, by July 1, 2019, requires districts to develop a local control funding formula budget overview for parents/guardians in conjunction with the LCAP. Policy reflects **NEW LAW (AB 1840)** which requires the State Board of Education to expand the LCAP template by January 31, 2020 to include specified information. Section on "Technical Assistance/Intervention" updated to reflect AB 1808 which establishes a single statewide system of support for districts and schools, and AB 1840 which provides that a district receiving an emergency apportionment will be deemed to have been referred to the California Collaborative for Educational Excellence. Regulation updated to reflect AB 1840 which requires data in the LCAP to be reported in a manner consistent with the California School Dashboard and requires districts to post their LCAP prominently on the homepage of their web site. Section on "Annual Updates" deleted since the annual updates follow the same process and adhere to the same template as the initial LCAP.