

## **MEMORANDUM**

**To**: Board of Directors Via: Board Packet

From: Elizabeth Brenner, Superintendent & CEO

Date: December 2, 2023

**Re**: Scholar Representative Seat

At its May 21, 2022 Regular Meeting, the Board of Directors approved revised By-Laws, which added a pupil member to the Board. "The pupil member is a currently enrolled scholar in a charter school managed by the Corporation in ninth through twelfth grade who is active in the Scholar Leadership Council."

According to the revised By-Laws, "In addition to the number of Directors otherwise prescribed by these bylaws, pursuant to Education Code section 47604.2, the Board composition shall also include a seat reserved for a pupil member. All Directors, except for the pupil member, shall have full voting rights, including any representative appointed by a chartering authority as consistent with Education Code Section 47604 (c). The pupil member shall have preferential voting rights. Preferential voting means a formal expression of opinion that is recorded in the minutes and cast before the official vote of the Board of Directors, but that shall not serve in determining the final numerical outcome of a vote."

At the October 10, 2023 meeting of the Scholar Leadership Council, Taia Saurer, was elected by the council members to the role of Chairperson. She will be serving in this role for the remainder of the 2023-24 school year. I ask that the Board of Directors confirm her appointment as the pupil member (Scholar Representative), with a one (1) year term (which is renewable) effective today.