SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1

IN THE CITY AND COUNTY OF DENVER,

STATE OF COLORADO

RESOLUTION No. 3450

WHEREAS, on June 21, 2012, the Board of Education approved Excel Academy as part of the 2012 Call for New Quality Schools process;

WHEREAS, on January 17, 2013, the Board of Education approved a Contract for Services between Denver Public Schools and Camelot in support of Excel Academy;

WHEREAS, following approval of the Contract for Services, a school principal was hired and the school principal and Camelot leadership formed a community advisory council and conducted community outreach to gather feedback on the direction of the Innovation Plan;

WHEREAS, Excel Academy prepared an Innovation Plan, which includes a list of waivers from certain district policies, the Denver Classroom Teachers Association collective bargaining agreement, and certain Colorado Revised Statutes;

WHEREAS, District staff completed a review of Excel Academy's Innovation Plan;

WHEREAS, on June 17, 2013, District staff presented their recommendation to approve the Innovation Plan of Excel Academy to the Board of Education;

WHEREAS, on June 20, 2013, after giving reasonable public notice, the Board of Education held a public hearing, in which Excel Academy and other interested parties could provide information regarding the innovation plan;

WHEREAS, following reasonable public notice, the Board of Education has considered the innovation plan submitted by Excel Academy, the presentation and all additional information provided by Excel Academy, District staff recommendations, and the information received at public hearings.

WHEREAS, on August 12, 2013 the newly hired staff of Excel Academy will vote to support the Innovation Plan;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The Innovation Plan for Excel Academy be approved for a three-year period from the date of the prospective State Board of Education approval. This approval is in the best interest of pupils, the District, and the community.

To the extent that a waiver of a specific Board of Education Policy is not included in the Innovation Plan, that policy will apply to the Innovation School and it will be presumed the Board of Education did not intend to supersede or waive any policies not explicitly listed when accepting the Innovation Plan.

Mary Seawell, President

Andrea Merida, Secretary