Rule Impact Statement

Title 777. Statewide Charter School Board Chapter 1. Administrative Operations Amended Permanent Rules Okla. Admin. Code § 777:1

This Rule Impact Statement has been prepared pursuant to 75 O.S.2021, § 303(D)(1).

I. Brief description of the proposed rule(s).

The Oklahoma Statewide Charter School Board ("SCSB" or "Board") proposes these amended permanent rules to fulfill the requirements of the Board under the Oklahoma Charter Schools Act, 70 O.S.Supp.2023, §§ 3-130–3-167. The proposed, amended permanent rules remove references the board's now-abolished predecessor, the Statewide Virtual Charter School Board, and ensure that the rule language refers to the Statewide Charter School Board. The proposed, amended permanent rules also amend language to include charter schools along with virtual charter schools to be reflective of the broadened authority delegated to the Board by the Legislature in 2023. Finally, the proposed, amended permanent rules change language regarding rehearing, reopening, and reconsideration of final agency orders to be consistent with article II, section 317 of the Administrative Procedures Act, 75 O.S.2021, §§ 308a–323.

II. Description of the persons who most likely will be affected by the proposed rule(s), including classes that will bear the costs of the proposed rule(s), and any information on cost impacts received by the agency from any private or public entities.

Oklahoma charter schools and virtual charter schools regulated by SCSB; entities (sponsors) wishing to apply to create a new charter school regulated by SCSB; and entities wishing to transfer their charter school sponsorship from their current charter sponsor to SCSB. As of the date of this Statement, SCSB has not received any cost impacts developed by private or public entities.

III. Description of the classes of persons who will benefit from the proposed rule(s).

Oklahoma charter schools and virtual charter schools regulated by SCSB; entities (sponsors) wishing to apply to create a new charter school regulated by SCSB; and entities wishing to transfer their charter school sponsorship from their current charter sponsor to SCSB.

IV. Description of the probable economic impact of the proposed rule(s) upon affected classes of persons or political subdivisions, including a listing of all fee changes and, whenever possible, a separate justification for each fee change.

None anticipated.

V. Description of the probable costs and benefits to the agency and to any other agency of the implementation and enforcement of the proposed rule(s), and any anticipated effect on state revenues, including a projected net loss or gain in such revenues if it can be projected by the agency.

None anticipated.

VI. Determination of whether implementation of the proposed rule(s) will have an economic impact on any political subdivisions or require their cooperation in implementing or enforcing the rule(s).

SCSB determines that there will be no economic impact on any political subdivisions or require their cooperation in implementing or enforcing the rules.

VII. Determination of whether implementation of the proposed rule(s) may have an adverse economic effect on small business as provided by the Oklahoma Small Business Regulatory Flexibility Act.

SCSB determines that implementation of the rules will not have an adverse economic effect on small business.

VIII. Explanation of the measures the agency has taken to minimize compliance costs and a determination of whether there are less costly or nonregulatory methods or less intrusive methods for achieving the purpose of the proposed rule(s).

There are no compliance costs. As a result, no determination concerning less costly or nonregulatory methods or less intrusive methods for achieving the purpose of the proposed rule is necessary.

IX. Determination of the effect of the proposed rule(s) on the public health, safety and environment and, if the proposed rule(s) is/are designed to reduce significant risks to the public health, safety and environment, an explanation of the nature of the risk and to what extent the proposed rule(s) will reduce the risk.

The rule changes will have no effect on the public health, safety and environment. As a result, no explanation concerning the nature or reduction of the risk is necessary.

X. Determination of any detrimental effect on the public health, safety and environment if the proposed rule(s) is/are not implemented.

Not applicable.

XI.	Date the	rule	impact	statement	was	prepared	and	if	modified,	the	date
	modified.										

SCSB prepared this rule impact statement on December 19, 2024.

Rule Impact Statement

Title 777. Statewide Charter School Board Chapter 10. Statewide Charter Schools and Virtual Charter Schools Amended Permanent Rules Okla. Admin. Code § 777:10

This Rule Impact Statement has been prepared pursuant to 75 O.S.2021, § 303(D)(1)

I. Brief description of the proposed rule(s).

The Oklahoma Statewide Charter School Board ("SCSB" or "Board") proposes these amended permanent rules to fulfill the requirements of the Board under the Oklahoma Charter Schools Act, 70 O.S.Supp.2023, §§ 3-130-3-167. The proposed, amended permanent rules add, amend, and modify definitions pertaining to charter schools, virtual charter schools, sites, and remove references to the board's now-abolished predecessor, the Statewide Virtual Charter School Board, to ensure that rule language refers to the Statewide Charter School Board. The proposed, amended permanent rules include language to allow the board read-only access to data from charter and virtual charter schools sponsored by the board. The proposed, amended permanent rules also require schools to provide online access an recording for public viewing of the governing board's meetings. Additionally, the rules also restricts membership of a governing board member for a charter school or virtual charter school from contemporaneously serving as a voting board member on a supporting or affiliated foundation or organizations board. The rules further streamline the application for new sponsorship process, including requirements that (1) ensure a representative for the prospective school participates in training related to the application process, and (2) a capacity interview of the leadership team and governing board of a prospective school are competent. The rules also streamline factors for reviewing applications for new charter or virtual charter schools. The formatting of renewals will also be streamlined. The rules add requirements on those charter schools seeking renewal of their charter but transferring sponsorship from an authorized sponsor to the board. The rules also amend the oversight and evaluation for charter and virtual charter schools and how performance will be measured. Finally, the rules amend data required to be submitted to the board on an annual basis.

II. Description of the persons who most likely will be affected by the proposed rule(s), including classes that will bear the costs of the proposed rule(s), and any information on cost impacts received by the agency from any private or public entities.

Oklahoma charter schools and virtual charter schools regulated by SCSB; entities wishing to apply to create a new charter school regulated by the Statewide Charter School Board; and entities wishing to transfer their charter school sponsorship from their current charter authorization to the Statewide Charter School Board. As

of the date of this Statement, the Board has not received any cost impacts developed by private or public entities.

III. Description of the classes of persons who will benefit from the proposed rule(s).

Oklahoma charter schools and virtual charter schools regulated by the Statewide Charter School Board; entities wishing to apply to create a new charter school regulated by the Statewide Charter School Board; and entities wishing to transfer their charter school sponsorship from their current charter sponsor to the Statewide Charter School Board.

IV. Description of the probable economic impact of the proposed rule(s) upon affected classes of persons or political subdivisions, including a listing of all fee changes and, whenever possible, a separate justification for each fee change.

None anticipated.

V. Description of the probable costs and benefits to the agency and to any other agency of the implementation and enforcement of the proposed rule(s), and any anticipated effect on state revenues, including a projected net loss or gain in such revenues if it can be projected by the agency.

None anticipated.

VI. Determination of whether implementation of the proposed rule(s) will have an economic impact on any political subdivisions or require their cooperation in implementing or enforcing the rule(s).

SCSB determines that there will be no economic impact on any political subdivisions or require their cooperation in implementing or enforcing the rules.

VII. Determination of whether implementation of the proposed rule(s) may have an adverse economic effect on small business as provided by the Oklahoma Small Business Regulatory Flexibility Act.

SCSB determines that the implementation of the rules will not have an adverse economic effect on small business.

VIII. Explanation of the measures the agency has taken to minimize compliance costs and a determination of whether there are less costly or nonregulatory methods or less intrusive methods for achieving the purpose of the proposed rule(s).

There are no compliance costs. As a result, no determination concerning less costly or nonregulatory methods or less intrusive methods for achieving the purpose of the proposed rule is necessary.

IX. Determination of the effect of the proposed rules on the public health, safety and environment and, if the proposed rule(s) is/are designed to reduce significant risks to the public health, safety and environment, an explanation of the nature of the risk and to what extent the proposed rule will reduce the risk.

The rule changes will have no effect on the public health, safety and environment. As a result, no explanation concerning the nature or reduction of the risk is necessary.

X. Determination of any detrimental effect on the public health, safety and environment if the proposed rule(s) is/are not implemented.

Not applicable.

XI. Date the rule impact statement was prepared and if modified, the date modified.

SCSB prepared this rule impact statement on December 19, 2024.

Rule Impact Statement

Title 777. Statewide Charter School Board Chapter 15. Horizon: Digitally Enhanced Campus Amended Permanent Rules Okla. Admin. Code § 777:15

This Rule Impact Statement has been prepared pursuant to 75 O.S.2021, § 303(D)(1).

I. Brief description of the proposed rule(s).

The Oklahoma Statewide Charter School Board proposes these amended permanent rules to fulfill the requirements of the Board under the Oklahoma Charter Schools Act, 70 O.S.Supp.2023, §§ 3-130–3-167. The proposed, amended permanent rules remove references the board's now-abolished predecessor, the Statewide Virtual Charter School Board, and ensure that the rule language refers to the Statewide Charter School Board.

II. Description of the persons who most likely will be affected by the proposed rule(s), including classes that will bear the costs of the proposed rule(s), and any information on cost impacts received by the agency from any private or public entities.

Oklahoma charter schools and virtual charter schools regulated by the Statewide Charter School Board and public schools wishing to participate in the Horizon: Digitally Enhanced Campus program. As of the date of this Statement, the Board has not received any cost impacts developed by private or public entities.

III. Description of the classes of persons who will benefit from the proposed rule(s).

Oklahoma charter schools and virtual charter schools regulated by the Statewide Charter School Board.

IV. Description of the probable economic impact of the proposed rule(s) upon affected classes of persons or political subdivisions, including a listing of all fee changes and, whenever possible, a separate justification for each fee change.

None anticipated.

V. Description of the probable costs and benefits to the agency and to any other agency of the implementation and enforcement of the proposed rule(s), and any anticipated effect on state revenues, including a projected net loss or gain in such revenues if it can be projected by the agency.

None anticipated.

VI. Determination of whether implementation of the proposed rule(s) will have an economic impact on any political subdivisions or require their cooperation in implementing or enforcing the rule.

SCSB determines that there will be no economic impact on any political subdivisions or require their cooperation in implementing or enforcing the rules.

VII. Determination of whether implementation of the proposed rule(s) may have an adverse economic effect on small business as provided by the Oklahoma Small Business Regulatory Flexibility Act.

SCSB determines that implementation of the proposed rules will not have an adverse economic effect on small business.

VIII. Explanation of the measures the agency has taken to minimize compliance costs and a determination of whether there are less costly or nonregulatory methods or less intrusive methods for achieving the purpose of the proposed rule(s).

There are no compliance costs. As a result, no determination concerning less costly or nonregulatory methods or less intrusive methods for achieving the purpose of the proposed rule is necessary.

IX. Determination of the effect of the proposed rule(s) on the public health, safety and environment and, if the proposed rule(s) is/are designed to reduce significant risks to the public health, safety and environment, an explanation of the nature of the risk and to what extent the proposed rule will reduce the risk.

The rule changes will have no effect on the public health, safety and environment. As a result, no explanation concerning the nature or reduction of the risk is necessary.

X. Determination of any detrimental effect on the public health, safety and environment if the proposed rule(s) is/are not implemented.

None.

XI. Date the rule impact statement was prepared and if modified, the date modified.

SCSB prepared this rule impact statement on December 19, 2024.