





TO: The Honorable Members of the Board of Regents
FROM: Daniel Morton-Bentley 
SUBJECT: Charter Applications
DATE: August 29, 2024
AUTHORIZATION(S): 

SUMMARY

Issue for Decision (Consent)

Should the Board of Regents approve the charter applications?

Reason(s) for Consideration

Required by State statute (Education Law §216).

Proposed Handling

This issue will come before the Full Board for action at its September 2024 meeting.

Approval in accordance with the respective recommendations prepared by the program offices which are contained in the attached summary table of charter applications.

Procedural History

Not applicable.

Background Information

Not applicable.

Related Regents Items

Not applicable.

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Board of Regents take the following action:

VOTED: Approve each application in accordance with the recommendations contained in the summary table.

Timetable for Implementation

Not applicable.

Summary Table

Name of Institution	Program Area	County (City/Town) of Location	Description of Charter Action(s)
Bartow-Pell Mansion Museum and Gardens	CE	Bronx (Bronx)	Merge with “International Garden Club, Inc.” with Bartow-Pell Mansion Museum and Gardens as the surviving corporation.
Children’s Museum of Manhattan	CE	New York (New York)	Amend charter to increase the trustee range.
Fort Edward Free Library	CE	Washington (Fort Edward)	Amend charter to specify the trustee range to be not less than five nor more than fifteen.
The Franklin Square Historical Society	CE	Nassau (Hempstead)	Amend charter to change the corporate name to “The Franklin Square Historical Society and Museum”.
Otselic Valley Public Library	CE	Chenango (South Otselic)	Grant provisional charter for five years.
Philipstown Masonic Historical Society	CE	Putnam (Nelsonville)	Extend provisional charter for five years.
Rose Free Library	CE	Wayne (Rose)	Amend charter to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Specify trustee range to be not less than five nor more than eleven; • designate Commissioner as agent for service; and • update IRS dissolution language.
Smithtown Historical Society	CE	Suffolk (Smithtown)	Amend charter to change the corporate name to “Smithtown Historical Museums”.
Town of Chester Public Library	CE	Warren (Chester)	Amend charter to change the trustee term length from five years to three years.
Amalgamated Nursery School	P12	Bronx (Bronx)	Extend provisional charter for three years.
The Middle Way School	P12	Ulster (Saugerties)	Grant an absolute charter.
Alliance University	HE	New York (New York)	Amend charter to the change the corporate name to “The Office of the Institution Formerly Known as Alliance University” and restate purposes geared towards the winding down of the corporation, effective June 30, 2024.

The Bank Street College of Education	HE	New York (New York)	Amend charter to add two additional branch locations.
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