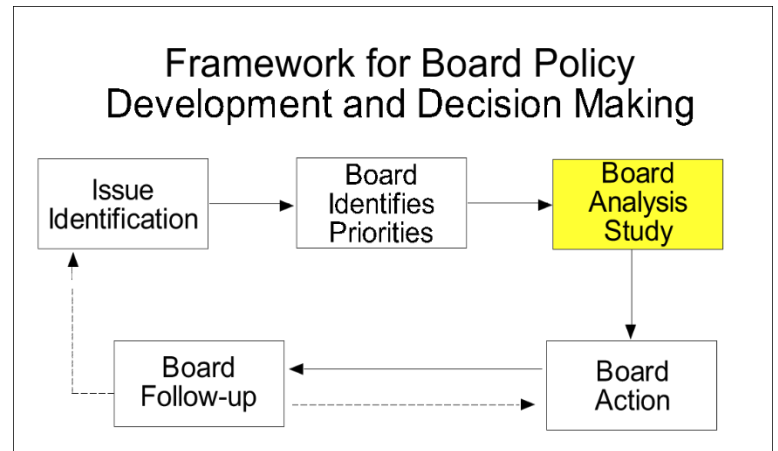


Iowa State Board of Education

Executive Summary

January 9, 2025



Agenda Item: National Association of Charter School Authorizers
Overview of Standards and Practices

State Board Priority: Goal 2

State Board Role/Authority: The State Board of Education is the sole authorizer for Iowa's charter schools. Iowa charter school law (256E and 256F) and Iowa Administrative Code 281.19. requires the State Board of Education to use nationally recognized best practices for charter school authorizing.

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Attachment(s): None

Recommendation: It is recommended the State Board hear and discuss this information.

Background: Quality charter school authorizing requires specialized knowledge, skill, commitment, and adherence to essential professional standards in order to effectively deliver quality educational opportunities for students and communities, and achieve the purposes of state charter laws. This presentation will support the State Board members to their role in implementing national standards and practices in the application and contract components of charter school authorizing.