January 2, 2019

Oregon State Board of Education
255 Capitol St., NE
Salem, OR 97310

Re: Silvies River Charter School
Request for Transfer of Assets Pursuant to ORS 338.105(6)

Dear Board Members:

Silvies River Charter School (“SRCS”) will be ending its charter relationship with the French Glen School District (“FGSD”) as of June 30, 2019, and commencing a new charter relationship with Harney County Union High School District 1J (“Crane”) for the 2019-2020 academic school year. ORS 338.105(6) states, “if a charter is terminated or a public charter school is dissolved: (a) the assets of the public charter school that were purchased with public funds shall be given to the State Board of Education. The State Board of Education may disburse the assets of the public charter school to school districts or other public charter schools.”

Given that SRCS will remain in existence and will continue to provide educational services its existing student population upon commencement of its new relationship with Crane immediately upon cessation of its relationship with FGSD, and to ensure that such services are not adversely impacted through the commencement of this new relationship, SRCS respectfully requests that the Oregon State Board of Education allow SRCS to retain all of its assets purchased with public funds upon commencement of its new relationship with Crane.

The Oregon State Board of Education has previously allowed the transfer of assets for charter schools that are transferring their operations from one sponsoring district to another sponsoring district, including in September 2013 with regard to SRCS’ change in sponsorship to FGSD. SRCS respectfully requests that the State Board of Education follow this precedent and allow SRCS to retain its assets upon commencement of its new charter relationship with Crane.

On behalf of SRCS’ students, the educational program and services provided, we thank you for consideration of this request. If we can provide any additional information relating to this matter, we will be happy to do so.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Kristen Shelman, Board President
Silvies River Charter School

Enclosures