

## **D-1-b Resolution Calling on Worthington School District Legislative Representatives to Sponsor and Promote Legislation altering the funding mechanism for Charter and Scholarship Schools in Ohio**

WHEREAS, Ohio law specifies that a system of public education includes publicly funded charter and scholarship schools; and

WHEREAS, Charter and scholarship schools are funded as a deduction from state aid to the public school district of residence for the attending student; and

WHEREAS, Under HB64, Charter and Scholarship School enrollment represents only 3% of the student population but funding deductions will account for in excess of 13% of total state funding received in Worthington; and

WHEREAS, Under HB64, Worthington schools state aid per pupil is approximately \$1,974 and the Charter and Scholarship School deduction is approximately \$13,636; and

WHEREAS, Under HB64, from FY16 through FY20, total state resources is expected to decline and deductions for charter and scholarship school funding are expected to increase; and

WHEREAS, It was the stated intent of the Ohio House and Ohio Senate that school districts, including Worthington, receive at least as much funding in FY16 and FY17 as in FY15; and

WHEREAS, As a result of Charter and Scholarship School Funding increases, Worthington will receive less funding in FY16 than FY15. Now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Worthington City Schools Board of Education calls on our legislative representation to introduce and sponsor legislation that will eliminate the state policy of deducting Charter and Scholarship School Tuition from the public district of residence State of Ohio funding; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that our legislative representation sponsor legislation to appropriate sufficient funds for a true hold harmless in FY16.”