



### **Board of Directors**

Leslie Maloney, *President*  
Thomas Cole, *Vice President and Treasurer*  
Jessicah Nichols, *Secretary*  
Sonja White, *Director*  
Amanda Larson, *Director*

**Wednesday, June 17, 2015, 5:15 p.m.**  
**Meeting Minutes**

The mission of Odyssey Charter School, working in partnership with the family and the community, is to help each child reach full potential in all areas of life. Our aim is to educate the whole child with the understanding that each person must achieve a balance of intellectual, emotional, physical, moral, and social skills as a foundation for life.

#### **A. OPENING EXERCISES**

- Call to Order & Establish Quorum – *The meeting was called to order at 5:20 p.m. Those in attendance were Leslie Maloney, Thomas Cole and Sonja White.*
- Pledge of Allegiance
- Adoption of the Agenda – *The agenda was unanimously adopted under one motion by Thomas Cole; seconded by Sonja White.*

**B. PUBLIC COMMENT** (Members of the public that wish to address the Board must sign-in and will have 3 minutes to speak. The Board will not address the presenter or take action at this time)

#### **C. INFORMATION**

1. Technology Managed Services Proposal – *To increase the capacity technology we need to increase the infrastructure. To get that level we are requesting the Board to approve a contract with an external technology company. This company would monitor all technology with allowing us to have onsite techs as well.*

#### **D. PUBLIC PRESENTATION**

**E. MANAGEMENT COMPANY REPORT** – *Constance Ortiz thanked Reggie Revis for his time and work as he is leaving to go to Nevada, this is his last Board meeting, and also welcomed Gregory Turner to the Board meeting. Gregory has worked with the instructors and leaders with the PLC's this year. Cindy Gilmore spoke to the Board to clarify a mention of Board members being fingerprinted prior to voting at the last Board meeting. A clarification is attached as "Addendum A", and are to be included as part of the minutes.*

**F. ADMINISTRATOR REPORT** – *Administrators shared the school's preliminary FSA and EOC scores from the State. Odyssey Prep's 3<sup>rd</sup> grade ELA lowest quintile in proficiency is at 13%, with 11% of those students being students with IEP's and had been previously retained; Odyssey 20% in lowest quintile; 5<sup>th</sup> grade Science Odyssey Charter went from 44% to 67%. Odyssey Prep went from 32% to 40%; 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Science went from 48% to 65%. 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Biology is at 73% and the district average was 81%. Odyssey outperformed every local high school, which all of those schools have a lower minority and poverty rate. Civics EOC went from 36% to 92%, outperforming all local middle schools, the district and*

*the State average. Oasis Prep 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Science comparison of 12 schools within a 3-mile radius only one school outscored Oasis at 43%, with Oasis at 42%. 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade ELA scores 25% students in the lowest quintile. Only one school of the 12 surrounding schools scored lower. This success had a lot to do with the PLC's, cold assessments, and the coaches.*

- G. CONSENT AGENDA** (Items below are considered routine and will be approved in one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Board Member so requests, in which case the item(s) will be removed from the consent agenda and considered and placed on the Action Agenda) – *Unanimously approved under one motion by Thomas Cole; seconded by Sonja White.*

**All School Business:**

1. **APPROVED:** Approve the Minutes of the Odyssey Charter School, Inc. Board of Director's Meeting for May 20, 2015 as presented.
2. **APPROVED:** Approve the 2015-2016 Brevard and Orange County Human Resource Calendars.
3. **APPROVED:** Approve Director of Leadership and Instructional Development Employment Agreement.
4. **APPROVED:** Approve Gregory Turner as Director of Leadership and Instructional Development.

**Odyssey Charter School Business:**

5. **APPROVED:** Approve to reappoint Monica Knight as the Jr./Sr. High Site Administrator for 2015-16.
6. **APPROVED:** Approve to reappoint Wendi Nolder as the Elementary Site Administrator for 2015-16.
7. **APPROVED:** Approve the 2015-2016 Capital Outlay Plan.
8. **APPROVED:** Approve to purchase two Blue Bird 2016 standard school buses not to exceed the amount of \$110,000 per bus.
9. **APPROVED:** Approve the Revised 2015-2016 OCS School Student Calendar and any future revisions approved by Brevard Public Schools.
10. **APPROVED:** Approve the Summer Camp out-of-county field trips to SeaWorld in Orlando, FL on July 22, 2015 and to the Orlando Science Center in Orlando, FL on July 29, 2015.
11. **APPROVED:** Approve to open an additional internal funds bank account for Odyssey Charter School Jr./Sr. High at Space Coast Credit Union. Signors will be the Board President, Treasurer, Principals, Assistant Principal, Constance Ortiz and Dr. Jane Martin.

**Odyssey Preparatory Academy Business:**

12. **APPROVED:** Approve the Monthly Financial Reports for April 2015.
13. **APPROVED:** Approve the Revised 2015-2016 OPA School Student Calendar and any future revisions approved by Brevard Public Schools.
14. **APPROVED:** Ratify approval of Deidra Wilson to teach out-of-field in Reading for the entire 2014-2015 school year.

**Oasis Preparatory Academy Business:**

15. **APPROVED:** Approve to reappoint Valarie Thompson as the Oasis Site Administrator for 2015-16.
16. **APPROVED:** Approve the Monthly Financial Reports for April 2015.
17. **APPROVED:** Approve the Odyssey Charter School, Inc. Salary Schedule for Orange County.



**Odyssey Space Coast Academy Business:**

18. **APPROVED:** Approve to not proceed with opening Odyssey Space Coast Academy and terminate the charter contract with Brevard Public Schools.
19. **APPROVED:** Approve to withdraw CSP Grant application currently in the Stage II process.

**H. ACTION AGENDA** (Items for Discussion by the Board)

1. Board Self-Assessment – *The Board reviewed and discussed their self-assessments as a group. The Board will come up with two or three areas that they are not aware of and create discussions on policies.*
2. Approve the Green Apple School Management ESP Evaluation – *The Board President and Site Administrators formally evaluated the management company as they do annually. Leslie Maloney and Constance Ortiz reviewed with the Board the accomplishments and stretch goals. Unanimously approved under one motion by Thomas Cole; seconded by Sonja White.*

**I. BOARD DIRECTORS' REPORT** – *Thomas Cole congratulated the schools, administrators, management company and Gregory Turner. Leslie Maloney echoed Thomas Cole's congratulations.*

**J. ADJOURNMENT** – *The meeting adjourned at 6:10 p.m.*


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The undersigned hereby certifies that he/she is a Director and/or Officer of **ODYSSEY CHARTER SCHOOL, INC.**, a not-for-profit corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Florida, and that the above is a true and correct copy of the meeting minutes of the Board of Directors of said corporation and the individual charter schools sponsored by the said corporation.

The minutes were adopted by the Board of Directors at a meeting held on July 22, 2015.

**ODYSSEY CHARTER SCHOOL, INC.**

A Florida not-for-profit corporation

By:   
Approved By

July 22, 2015  
Date

## **Addendum A**

### **Board Member – Fingerprinting – June 17, 2015 Minutes**

We would like to provide the Board with some clarity on a statement that was mentioned at the May 20, 2015 Board meeting, stating newly elected Board members cannot vote on agenda items until after their fingerprints and background check has cleared the school district. We have consulted with the school's attorney regarding this, as this had not been the case prior. The conclusion is as follows:

The OCS Board members are elected to the Board of Directors of the Odyssey Charter School, Inc. not-for-profit corporation. Protocol on fingerprinting is referred to the By-Laws of the corporation, the school's charter contract with the district, and Florida Statute. Only if the By-Laws or the charter contract specifically states that the Board member's fingerprint must clear prior to voting would the above-mentioned statement hold. Florida Statute does not require fingerprint clearance prior to voting.

The OCS, Inc. By-Laws state, *“All members of the Board of Director's shall have fingerprint and background checks conducted and must be free from any legal restrictions that may prevent them from serving on the Board, as required by Florida Law.”*

The OCS and OPA charter contracts state, *“Board members appointed to the governing board after the approval of the School's Charter must be fingerprinted within thirty (30) days of their appointment....The governing board agrees to dismiss governing board members who's fingerprint check results reveal non-compliance with standards of good moral character.”*

The Oasis charter contract states, *“Members of the governing board of the School shall be fingerprinted in a manner similar to that provided in S. 1012.32, Florida Statutes and abide by the regulations of the Jessica Lunsford Act.”*

In conclusion, Florida Statute, Odyssey's By-Laws, the OCS and OPA charter contracts, and the Oasis charter contract do not restrict newly elected Board members from voting prior to fingerprint clearance.