



ODYSSEY
CHARTER SCHOOL, INC.

Board of Directors

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Thursday, June 29, 2017, 5:00 p.m.
Special 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 5:00 p.m. Those in attendance were Thomas Cole, Nick Holpfer, Amanda Larson, and Sonja White.*
- Pledge of Allegiance
- Adoption of the Agenda – *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. PUBLIC PRESENTATION

D. INFORMATION

E. 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)

Odyssey Charter School, Inc. Business:

1. None

Odyssey Charter School Business:

2. None

Odyssey Preparatory Academy Business:

3. None

Oasis Preparatory Academy Business:

4. None

Orion Preparatory Academy-Brevard Business:

5. None

Orion Preparatory Academy-Orange Business:

6. None

F. ACTION AGENDA (Items for Discussion by the Board)

1. Oasis Preparatory Academy school grade and voluntary closure. – ***Oasis did receive a consecutive failing grade. As mentioned before, 30% of the new students this past school year were from D and F schools and almost every student was a level 1 and 2 students.*** Oasis attracted many students with great need. While students made some significant academic gains at Oasis, the challenges to help these students achieve acceptable levels on the Florida Standardized Assessment within the short time required by law were just too great for us to overcome. ***Throughout the year, there were many additional resources provided, including two turn-around principals, coaches, GA academic mentors weekly, and we weren't able to get the academic gains expected for the FL School Assessments. The possibility of appealing was discussed with data provided by the School Choice Office from the FDOE. Oasis did receive 64% learning gains that were comparable or exceeding similar surrounding schools. It did not receive suitable gains in math as measured by State Assessments. After speaking with school leadership and reviewing the data in depth and after speaking to the school's attorney, we are recommending to the Board voluntary closure due to school grades. Dr. Scott from OCPS School Choice met with Thomas Cole and Ms. Constance on Wednesday to discuss the potential closing. Green Apple and school staff will work collaboratively through the process. Dr. Scott mentioned that this was one of the smoothest closings that they have had. Appeal would need to take place by July 13th. Ms. Constance thanked Tiffany Ward for coming in and bringing order to the school, and for all of her hard work trying to raise student achievement. She also thanked Sonja and Amanda for coming on to the Board specifically for this location. Thomas Cole made a motion to voluntarily close Oasis Preparatory Academy based upon the school grade; seconded by Nick Holpfer. Passed unanimously.***
2. Notification of Oasis Preparatory Academy building lease termination. – ***Pastor Mills was notified verbally. The church will more than likely re-open their private school. The school is sending an official notification to Mt. Sinai Missionary Baptist Church offering landlord \$4,000 security deposit in lieu of July rent, due to the contract ending at the end of the fiscal year – 6/30/17 – and no student enrollment due to closure. Thomas Cole made a motion to notify Mt. Sinai Missionary Baptist church of the termination of the building lease; seconded by Amanda Larson. Passed unanimously.***

G. BOARD DIRECTORS' REPORT

H. ADJOURNMENT – *The meeting was adjourned at 5:22 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 August 28, 2017.

ODYSSEY CHARTER SCHOOL, INC.

A Florida not-for-profit corporation

By: 
Approved By

6/29/17
Date