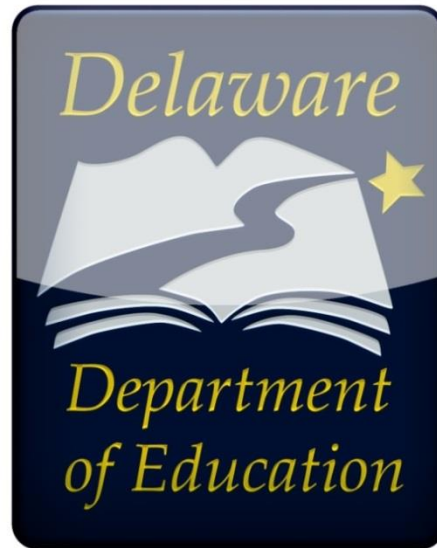


CHARTER SCHOOL ACCOUNTABILITY COMMITTEE

DELAWARE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION



Academia Antonia Alonso

**MAJOR MODIFICATION APPLICATION
FINAL REPORT**

CSAC Final Meeting: February 24, 2015
CSAC Final Report Published: February 27, 2015

By December 31, 2014, La Academia Antonia Alonso submitted an application for a major modification of its charter.

The following were in attendance at the Final Meeting of the CSAC on February 24, 2015:

Voting Committee Members of the Charter School Accountability Committee

- David Blowman, Chairperson of the Charter School Accountability Committee and Deputy Secretary of Education, DDOE
- Karen Field Rogers, Associate Secretary, Financial Reform and Resource Management, DDOE
- Barbara Mazza, Education Associate, Exceptional Children Resources, DDOE
- Tasha Cannon, Deputy Officer Talent Recruitment, Selection and Strategy, Teacher and Leader Effectiveness Unit (TLEU), DDOE
- Charles Taylor, Community Member and Former Charter School Leader

Ex-Officio Members (Non-voting)

- Kendall Massett, Executive Director, Delaware Charter School Network
- Donna Johnson, Executive Director, Delaware State Board of Education

Staff to the Committee (Non-voting)

- Catherine Hickey, Deputy Attorney General, Counsel to the Committee
- Jennifer Nagourney, Executive Director, Charter School Office, DDOE
- Brook Hughes, Education Associate, Financial Reform and Resource Management

Representatives of La Academia Antonia Alonso

- Thomas Peters, Board Member and Board Liaison to School
- Ricardo Stoeckicht, Chief Operating Officer for Innovative Schools
- Karen Thorpe, Innovative Schools

Discussion

The following issues were discussed:

- Enrollment – The school reported that it has sent over 100 invitation letters to prospective students with 46 accepted thus far. The school is confident that it is already at the 80% mark and believes that it will be at or near 100% of the 325 enrollment that the school is requesting.

Conclusion

The CSAC voted unanimously to recommend approval of the school's major modification request.

Next Steps:

- The CSAC will provide the school with a Final Report no later than February 27, 2015.
- A second and final public hearing will be held on March 9, 2015, in the 2nd floor auditorium of the Carvel State Office Building, located at 820 North French Street, Wilmington DE.
- The public comment period ends on March 13, 2015.
- The State Board of Education will hold a meeting on March 19, 2015, in the 2nd floor Cabinet Room of the Townsend Building at 401 Federal Street, Dover DE, at which time the Secretary will announce his decision on the application.