

In The Matter Of:
Delaware Department of Education
In re: Thomas A. Edison

Public Hearing
December 5, 2017

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STATE OF DELAWARE
DELAWARE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

IN RE: THOMAS A. EDISON:

Public hearing taken pursuant
to notice at the John W. Collette Education
Resource Center, Rooms A&B, 35 Commerce Way,
Dover, Delaware, beginning at 5:49 p.m. on
Tuesday, December 5, 2017, before Gloria M.
D'Amore, Registered Professional Reporter and
Notary Public.

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APPEARANCES:

On behalf of the State of Delaware
Delaware Department of Education:
DENISE STOUFFER,
LEAD EDUCATION ASSOCIATE

On behalf of the State of Delaware
Delaware Department of Justice:
CATHERINE T. HICKEY, ESQUIRE
Attorney for State of Delaware
Department of Education



1 MS. STOUFFER: I declare this
2 Public Hearing to be opened.

3 My name is Denise Stouffer. I
4 am the Lead Education Associate, and I have
5 been appointed by the Secretary of Education
6 to conduct this Public Hearing.

7 I ask that the other person
8 with me tonight introduce herself for the
9 record.

10 MS. HICKEY: Good evening. My
11 name is Catherine Hickey. And I am a Deputy
12 Attorney General with the Delaware Department
13 of Justice. And I am serving as Counsel to
14 the Department of Education at this hearing
15 tonight.

16 MS. STOUFFER: The Thomas A.
17 Edison Charter School has filed an
18 application to renew its charter for a term
19 of five years.

20 The matter was referred to the
21 Charter Accountability Committee for
22 investigation and report.

23 This Public Hearing is being
24 held to receive public comments.



1 I would like the record to
2 reflect that the notice of the time, date and
3 place of today's Public Hearing was published
4 in The News Journal and The Delaware State
5 News on November 5, 2017.

6 In addition, notice was posted
7 at the Charter School Accountability
8 Committee's official place of business on the
9 Delaware Department of Education's official
10 website and on the State Public Meeting
11 Calendar on the State's official website.

12 Further, the Thomas A. Edison
13 Charter School was personally notified of the
14 time, date and place of today's Public
15 Hearing on October 30, 2017.

16 A court reporter is present so
17 that a record of this hearing can be made.
18 It will also be necessary for each speaker to
19 clearly identify him or herself before
20 beginning to speak so that the court reporter
21 will be able to note who they are.

22 At the present time, there are
23 no people here to make public comments.

24 A record of this hearing will



1 be provided to the Secretary of Education and
2 Members of the State Board of Education,
3 together with any written or electronic
4 comments received during the course of this
5 renewal process.

6 To date, comments received on
7 this renewal application are listed on the
8 Charter School's official website.

9 This hearing is now closed.
10 However, if any other persons show up during
11 the time of this hearing, the hearing will be
12 re-opened to take their comments.

13 Thank you.

14 (The Public Hearing was
15 concluded at, approximately, 5:51 p.m.)
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1 State of Delaware:

2 New Castle County:

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4 CERTIFICATE OF REPORTER

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6 I, Gloria M. D'Amore, Registered

7 Professional Reporter and Notary Public, do

8 hereby certify that the foregoing record,

9 Pages 1 to 6 inclusive, is a true and

10 accurate transcript of my stenographic notes

11 taken on Tuesday, December 5, 2017, in the

12 above-captioned matter.

13 IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set

14 my hand and seal this 7th day of December,

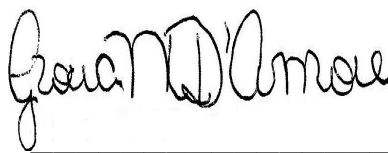
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GLORIA M. D'AMORE, RPR

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