

In The Matter Of:
Department of Education
Odyssey Charter School

Public Meeting
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DELAWARE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
PUBLIC MEETING
ODYSSEY CHARTER SCHOOL

Public Meeting of the Department of Education, taken pursuant to notice at the Carvel State Office Building, 820 North French Street, Second Floor Auditorium, beginning at 5:38 p.m. on Monday, March 7, 2016, before Jennifer M. Guy, Registered Professional Reporter and Notary Public.

APPEARANCES:

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DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL
820 North French Street
Wilmington, Delaware 19801

JENNIFER NAGOURNEY
CHARTER OFFICE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



1 MS. NAGOURNEY: Good evening. I
2 declare this public hearing to be open. My
3 name is Jennifer Nagourney; I'm the executive
4 director of the Charter School Office for the
5 Delaware Department of Education, and I will
6 serve as hearing officer for this public
7 hearing.

8 Odyssey Charter School has
9 applied for a major modification to its
10 charter. As required by law, the matter was
11 referred to the Charter School Accountability
12 Committee.

13 This joint public hearing is
14 being held by the Department of Education and
15 the State Board of Education to assist in the
16 decision of whether the criteria set forth for
17 approval in the Delaware Code have been
18 satisfied. This hearing provides an
19 opportunity for public comment.

20 I will now ask the others with me
21 today to introduce themselves.

22 MS. HICKEY: Good evening. My
23 name is Catherine Hickey; I'm the deputy
24 attorney general with the Delaware Department



1 of Justice, and I'm here today serving as
2 counsel for the hearing officer.

3 MS. NAGOURNEY: I would like the
4 record to reflect that the notice of the time,
5 date, and place of today's public hearing was
6 published in the News Journal and the Delaware
7 State News. In addition, notice was published
8 at the Charter School Accountability
9 Committee's official place of business, on the
10 Department of Education's official website, and
11 on the State Public Meeting Calendar on the
12 State's official website. Further, the school
13 was personally notified of the time, date, and
14 place of today's public hearing.

15 A court reporter is present so
16 that a record of this hearing can be made. It
17 will be necessary for each speaker to clearly
18 identify himself or herself before beginning to
19 speak so that the court reporter will be able
20 to note who you are. The record of this
21 hearing will be provided to the Secretary of
22 Education and members of the State Board of
23 Education, together with any written or
24 electronic comments received at or before this



1 hearing.

2 We will proceed in the following
3 manner. First we'll hear from any
4 representative of the charter who wishes to
5 comment, then we will take comments from anyone
6 else who desires to speak. Let the record
7 reflect that there is no one in the room, and
8 no one has signed up on the sign-in sheet to
9 provide comment. Since there's no one here,
10 this hearing is officially closed.

11 (Hearing adjourned at 5:40 p.m.)

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7 I, Jennifer M. Guy, Professional Reporter
8 and Notary Public, do hereby certify that the
9 foregoing record, pages 1 to 8 inclusive, is a
10 true and accurate transcript of my stenographic
11 notes taken on March 7, 2016, in the
12 above-captioned matter.
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