

**In The Matter Of:**  
*Department of Education  
and Board of Education*

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*In Re: Review of Maurice J. Moyer School  
August 5, 2014*

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION/  
STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

IN RE: FORMAL REVIEW AND :  
MODIFICATION APPLICATION FOR:  
MAURICE J. MOYER ACADEMIC :  
INSTITUTE CHARTER SCHOOL :

Public hearing taken pursuant to  
notice at the Townsend Building, 2nd Floor  
Cabinet Room, 401 Federal Street, Dover,  
Delaware, beginning at 5:05 p.m., on Tuesday,  
August 5, 2014, before Gloria M. D'Amore,  
Registered Professional Reporter and Notary  
Public.

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## 1 APPEARANCES :

2 JENNIFER NAGOURNEY, HEARING OFFICER  
3 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR CHARTER SCHOOL OFFICE

4 DONNA R. JOHNSON,  
5 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

6 APRIL McCRAE, EDUCATION ASSOCIATE STATE  
7 ASSESSMENT and STEM

8 On behalf of the Department of Justice:  
9 CATHERINE T. HICKEY, ESQUIRE  
10 Counsel to the Hearing Officer

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1 HEARING OFFICER NAGOURNEY: We're  
2 going to start with the Modification Hearing.

3 Good evening. I'm declaring this  
4 Public Hearing to be open.

5 My name is Jennifer Nagourney.  
6 I'm the Executive Director of the Charter  
7 School Office of the Delaware Department of  
8 Education. And I have been appointed by the  
9 Secretary of Education to conduct this Public  
10 Hearing.

11 The Maurice J. Moyer Academic  
12 Institute has filed an application for a change  
13 in charter modification.

14 I will now ask the others with me  
15 today to introduce themselves.

16 MS. HICKEY: My name is Catherine  
17 Hickey. I'm a Deputy Attorney General with the  
18 Department of Justice. And I serve as Counsel  
19 to the Hearing Officer.

20 MS. JOHNSON: Donna Johnson.  
21 Executive Director of the State Board of  
22 Education.

23 MS. McCRAE: April McCrae.  
24 Education Associate with Assessment and STEM



1 Coordinator.

2 HEARING OFFICER NAGOURNEY: This  
3 Joint Public Hearing is being held by the  
4 Department of Education and State Board of  
5 Education to give the school an opportunity to  
6 provide information about and comment on the  
7 application and also to receive public  
8 comments.

9 I would like the record to  
10 reflect the notice of the time, date and place  
11 of today's Public Hearing was published in The  
12 News Journal and The Delaware State News on May  
13 30, 2014.

14 In addition, notice was posted of  
15 the Charter School Accountability Committee's  
16 official place of business on the Department of  
17 Education's official website and on the State  
18 Public Meeting Calendar on the State's official  
19 website on May 30th.

20 Further, the Applicant was  
21 personally notified of the time, date and place  
22 of today's public hearing on May 30th.

23 A court reporter is present so  
24 that a record of this hearing can be made. It



1 will be necessary for each speaker to clearly  
2 identify himself or herself before beginning to  
3 speak so that the court reporter will be able  
4 to note who you are.

5                   The record of this hearing will  
6 be provided to the Secretary of Education and  
7 Members of the State Board of Education  
8 together with any written or electronic  
9 comments received at or before this meeting.

10                   To date, we have not received any  
11 public comments in written or electronic form.

12                   We will proceed in the following  
13 manner.

14                   First, we will hear from any  
15 representatives of the Charter School who wish  
16 to speak and comment on the application.

17                   Then we will take comments from  
18 anyone else who desires to speak.

19                   There are sign-up sheets in the  
20 back of the room. If you have not yet signed  
21 up and you would like to speak, please write  
22 your name now. I'm assuming everyone has  
23 written down their name on the sign-up sheet if  
24 you would like to speak.



1 MS. JOHNSON: No one has signed  
2 up for the Modification. We do have attendees  
3 for the Modification.

4 HEARING OFFICER NAGOURNEY: Is  
5 there anyone who wants to make a comment on  
6 behalf of the Modification?

7 There is no requirement to do so.  
8 Okay. Since no one has indicated a desire to  
9 speak, and no one has signed up, I supposed we  
10 will declare this hearing closed.

11 If anyone comes in while we are  
12 still here and wishes to comment on the  
13 application, we will, of course, listen to  
14 their comments and make sure they are added to  
15 the record for this hearing.

16 Thank you all for participating  
17 today. The Secretary will consider your  
18 comments as part of the decision-making process  
19 and the comments will also be available for the  
20 State Board to consider.

21 This hearing is now closed.

22 (The hearing was concluded at,  
23 approximately, 5:12 p.m.)  
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1 State of Delaware:

2 New Castle County:

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CERTIFICATE OF REPORTER

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I, Gloria M. D'Amore, Registered

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Professional Reporter and Notary Public, do

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hereby certify that the foregoing record, Pages

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transcript of my stenographic notes taken on

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Tuesday, August 5, 2014, in the above-captioned

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matter.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my

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hand and seal this 12th day of August, 2014, at


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GLORIA M. D'AMORE, RPR

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