



**Regular Meeting of  
Odyssey School of Denver Board of Directors  
Wednesday, March 15, 2017  
4:00 to 6:00 pm in the PD Room**

**MINUTES**

1. Call to Order	Meeting called to order at 4:02 pm.
2. Roll Call	Christina Carlson, Jason Fritz, Corey Goodrich, Keith Hay, Heather Metz, Andrew Mohraz, Brian Moore, Tracey Schaffer, Marnie Cooke, Ami Desai, Brenda Dickhoner, Christine deLeon
3. Motion to Approve and/or Amend Agenda	Brian motioned to approve the agenda as posted and Ami seconded; all voted to approve.
4. Public Comment	None.
5. School Accountability Committee (C.R.S. § 22-11-401)	This board meeting constitutes a meeting of the School Accountability Committee.
6. Report from Restorative Practices Board	Student representatives from the Restorative Practices Board presented an update. Restorative Practices refers to when problems are solved through collaboration and conversation in a peaceful manner. Peer mediators are trained to help with situations of conflict. RP leaders have facilitated 20 meetings this year – includes one-on-one conversations, group mediation, and peace circles. Developing into a school-wide structure. 10-14 RP leaders in 7 <sup>th</sup> -8 <sup>th</sup> grade.
7. Executive Director's Update	<p>ED Cooke provided updates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Received Cherry Creek Art Grant to buy art to hang in the school</li> <li>• Administrative structures update – hiring for the Asst. Director position</li> <li>• Assessments – PARCC and CMAS testing has started, but bulk of testing starts after spring break</li> <li>• Marnie will be communicating with families about the importance of testing and the effects on the school</li> <li>• Pursuing ANET partnership for assessment and data-driven instruction coaching.</li> <li>• First round of choice process has ended.</li> </ul>



8. Finance Committee Update	<p>Jason provided updates on finances:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• School leadership to allocate mill levy dollars according to the various parameters attached to the dollars</li> <li>• Budget remains on track</li> <li>• April board meeting will dive deeper into the school budget, and the board will see the budget for 2017-18</li> </ul>
9. Approval of February 15, 2017 Regular Meeting Minutes	<p><b>ACTION ITEM:</b> Heather moved to approve the minutes and Christine seconded. All voted to approve.</p>
10. Fundraising Policy	<p>Christina provided a draft of the new Fundraising Policy to the board. Revisions will be made and the Board will vote on the final version at the next board meeting.</p>
11. Discussion of Assistant Principal Position	<p>Brian provided an update on the Bylaws revisions as they relate to the newly-developed Assistant Principal position.</p>
12. Executive Director Contract Update	<p>Contract negotiations are still occurring. An update will be provided at the next board meeting.</p>
13. Scheduling of Board Retreat	<p>Board retreat has been tentatively scheduled for June 15<sup>th</sup>.</p>
14. Board Recruitment Update	<p>Andrew provided an update on the number of board members whose terms are ending this summer and the need for board recruitment.</p> <p>If anyone has recommendations for board members, please send names along to Andrew at <a href="mailto:board@odysseydenver.org">board@odysseydenver.org</a>. Community members, those with finance backgrounds or those with education expertise are highly encouraged to apply.</p>
15. Adjournment	<p>Brenda motioned to adjourn and Ami seconded; all voted to approve. Meeting adjourned at 5:28 pm.</p>

Following the meeting, the Governance Committee briefly convened and approved the revisions to the Bylaws to be sent to the school's legal counsel for review.

#### ACTION ITEMS

1. Approval of February 15, 2017 Regular Meeting Minutes



2. Approval of Fundraising Policy
3. Resolution on Creation of Administrative Officer (Assistant Principal)

### PUBLIC COMMENT

If you would like to make a public comment, please sign up in advance with board secretary, Brenda Bautsch, by emailing her at: Bautsch\_B@cde.state.co.us. Public comments are limited to 3 minutes per person.

**Our Mission:** Odyssey School of Denver is a diverse, public, K-8 Expeditionary Learning school. We teach students how to learn through a focus on academic achievement, critical thinking and social responsibility, preparing them for high school and beyond.

**Our Vision:** Odyssey School of Denver students will:

- Take risks and innovate;
- Lead with integrity and compassion;
- Be civically and socially engaged;
- Push themselves to exceed expectations; and
- Embrace learning as a life-long adventure.

**Board Responsibilities:** We ensure Odyssey's compliance to its contract with the Denver Public Schools, set and monitor the implementation of school policies, manage the school's annual budget and financial planning, and hire and evaluate the performance of our school's Executive Director.

Board Chair

4/19/17

Date