

Principal Report

October Meeting 2018

Enrollment

Enrollment is currently at 351 for the first 11 weeks of the school year. We anticipate adding several more scholars in the next two weeks as we have had several tours. (See attachment A. for break down)

CCRPI Numbers: CCRPI numbers will be ready in October or November of this year. Following the data arrival we will need to create our presentation for the January SCSC meeting and Charter Review process.

School Improvements for 2018-2019

1. Teacher related training:

Model School Team: The Model Schools team presented to the staff this week. As part of their responsibility, the model schools team will do Staff Training on a monthly basis and continue to share best practices for multiple grade level professional development.

2. School Upgrades: The facilities grant for security improvements was authorized this month. We met with an industrial lock smith company to review the process and budget for the project. Preliminary costs were presented at an earlier board meeting. A finalized budget will need to be submitted to the "Consolidated Application" section of the GaDoe website and approval is required prior to starting the upgrades. A detailed budget will be presented following approval by the GaDoe. (See Attachment C. for break down)

3. PTO Work Day: On October 20th the PTO will be working on the facility and grounds to improve the appearance of the building. Weeds, bushes and shrubs will be trimmed and the playground area will be cut back to the fence.

4. Bus Issue: One of our buses experienced a break down during a bus route. Students were moved to another bus and the route was completed. Parents were called and the students arrived approximately 30 minutes late to their assignment stop. The onboard computer was replaced and the bus was returned to service. Due to field trips and the need for route buses, we borrowed a unit from Meriwether county school district for several days until our bus could be repaired and returned to service.

Student Outcomes

Report cards for the first 9 weeks went out last week. Teachers have been in constant communication with their parents and no issues or complaints were registered with the front office. A copy of the overall grades for the first 9 weeks are attached. (See attachment B.)

Scholars attended “Art-Ragous” an interactive program presented at the Nixon Performing Arts Center. The scholars were well behaved and were in community uniforms. The managers of the Nixon Center told our chaperones that Odyssey Charter School will be added to their list of schools to invite to programs in the future.

Nurse Reported two major injuries to scholars during the school day. One first grade scholar fell off the monkey bars and landed in a position which broke her arm. Parents were called and the scholar was taken for additional medical treatment; another kindergarten scholar fell in such a way as to break their collar bone. The parents were called and they took their scholar for additional medical treatment. (See attachment D.)

State Charter School Commission

The annual site visit will be September 25th 2018 at 12:00.

“Zero Findings” were posted at the conclusion of this meeting. A conformation letter should arrive this month. This is the first time that Odyssey Charter School has gone through an audit by the SCSC without any findings.

AdvancEd : May 1st 2019 site meeting and review. I will be attending the Annual AdvancEd Conference to gather specifics on the renewal process on October 30th 2018.

Annual Principal Report to the State of Georgia – a 500 line item report that reviews the school performance for the 2017/2018 school year. This year projections for the 2018/2019 school year were submitted. Report was submitted early and a conformation was received “No additional information needed”. Submission was successful.

Charter Obligations (June numbers)

During the monthly meeting of the State Charter School Commission (SCSC) the state charter schools were listed on a performance matrix. Our current numbers are within acceptable ranges in our financial measurements:

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| Current assets divided by current liabilities | 6.34 | Exceeds Standard |
| Unrestricted Cash (was 160 days) | 902 days | Exceeds Standard |
| Efficiency Margin | 312% | Exceeds Standard |

Debt to asset ratio

26%

Meets Standards

New Charter Application Process

A new and more automated system for charter application has gone live at the SCSC.

Odyssey Charter School will need to reapply for a New Charter. The current contract expires in June of 2019. The data supplied from the SCSC Performance Framework will supply the data critical to the outcome of this meeting. Data from 2018 testing will be reviewed and considered for the renewal. Review and determinations will occur in January of 2019. The SCSC will post their renewal decisions in February of 2019. The board will need to review the current status of the school and the current contract for updates and changes. Establishing a new innovative practice and more current descriptions will be needed prior to the January meeting. Samples of successful charters are available to the board. The process for renewal and the calendar will be available at the start of the 2018-2019 school year. Last year's calendar was shared at a previous board meeting. We have attached a printed copy of the Renewal Guide for your review.

Safety in the Schools

The first "Lock Down Drill" was successfully executed during the month of October. This was the first Lock Down for the new staff.

Building Use

Girl Scouts: Local Girl Scout troop utilizes the building on Sundays at 6pm once a month.