

Monday, January 11, 2016

3:30 pm

Bilandic Building

160 N. LaSalle Street, Room N502

Welcome & Introductions

Commissioners in attendance: DeRonda Williams, Catherine Rich, Bill Farmer

Also in attendance: Hosanna Mahaley-Jones, Shenita Johnson, Lisa Scruggs, Treyana Burris

Public Participation

- No public comment was given; Pam Witmer, Illinois Network of Charter Schools was in attendance

Schools Committee Agenda/Activities for 2016

1. Appeals: New Schools, Non-Renewals and Revocations November 2015-March 2016
2. Material Modifications February 2016
 - Two existing Commission schools (Southland and Belmont) may present material modification applications in January
 - Commissioners suggested adding questions re: challenges and risks to modification
3. Annual Reviews January – March 2016
4. Biennial Report April 2016
5. School Compliance Automation late Spring/Summer 2016

Appeals

New School(s): Connected Futures Academy/District #299-Chicago

1. Draft timeline for process and evaluation presented
 - Public Hearing – January 14th
 - Commission Meeting – February 9th
2. Updated Applicant Guidance provides what should be included in the appeal
3. Evaluation Framework/Rubric will be updated

Closed Session

Commissioner Williams made a motion to enter into closed session to discuss deliberative process regarding appeals. Motion was seconded. Vote called and motion carried. Commissioners discussed renewal and revocation appeals in closed session. No action was taken during closed session.

Commissioner Williams made a motion to exit closed session. Motion was seconded. Vote called and motion carried.

Announcements

- Next regularly schedule Commission Meeting – February 9th
 - Staff will confirm if there is a necessity for Emergency Meeting
- Meeting adjourned at 5:17 pm.