

**Odyssey Board Minutes
October 5, 2009
Special Session**

Board Members in attendance: Amy Anderson, Peter Bonaker, Billy Brown, Marcia Fulton, Carolyn Kampman, Lori Laliberte, Illana Poley, Jessica West and Dei Wilson

Special Board Meeting called to inform the Odyssey Community of the current realities facing the Odyssey move.

Board Introductions and Welcome.

Conversations with DPS and Forest City representatives:

- **Midterm Option, move out when our lease is up in 2010/2011 school year.**
- **DPS has assured us that they have no intention of removing Odyssey from our current space in the Westerly Creek building.**
- **The lease has been reviewed by attorneys who have confirmed that we will be housed in this building until 2010/2011.**
- **Forest City/Stapleton Development supports Odyssey's decision to potentially grow.**

Options for consideration:

- **Stay in our current facility at 225 students**
- **Forest City provide land to build in Stapleton**

- **Begin to grow to 450 in our current space (would require portables outside the building).**
- **Grow to 450 in another DPS provided space while continuing to find space in Stapleton.**

Process to make decision:

- **Timeline needed for decision.**
- **Survey Monkey**
- **Phases and Forums**

Prior to moving into the open discussion, Carolyn reminded us that, according to the Odyssey decision making grid, the Board is responsible for the ultimate decision. Input from all school constituencies will be considered in when determining community priorities and the final decision.

Major points from community discussion:

- **Odyssey is in a favorable position right now with DPS/Stapleton/Forest City**
- **The DPS Jan. 1st choice deadline, may affect Odyssey returning families.**
- **PR needs to be generated to build support for Odyssey.**
- **Discuss growth and facility separately from each other, as size of school will lead to ideal size of facility.**
- **Eliminate un-viable options from the discussion and survey monkey.**