B.2 Applicant Composition

Greenhouse Montessori School, Inc. is a newly begun non-profit corporation and it's Corporate and School Boards are still being developed. The foundation of the Corporate Board is strong. These three Corporate Board Directors are dedicated to the vision of GMS and will grow the boards and work for the benefit of the school. Following the approval of this charter school application, the Corporate Board offices will be determined and the School Board Members will be appointed by the Corporate Board. All bylaws will be observed.

ORGANIZATION PRINCIPALS

The following organization principals will serve as GMS's founding Corporate Board:

Jennifer Papp is the visionary behind the establishment of Greenhouse Montessori School (GMS). She will be the authorized representative of the school. She will serve on both the Corporate Board of Directors and its standing committee known as the School Board. She will also be the School Director. Mrs. Papp's background uniquely qualifies her for charter school operation. Jennifer holds a B.A. in Elementary Education from Eastern Michigan University, a Montessori certification in ages 3-6 from South Mountain Community College and at this time, only has to fulfill an internship requirement for completion of the 6-9 Montessori certification. She has both business and education experience. She has taught both elementary and gifted classes in local school districts; and has run two successful small businesses.

Leslie Coca-Udave brings a business and governance strength to the Corporate Board. Leslie holds a B.S. in accounting from Arizona State University. She has school, financial, and board experience. During her 13 years in Arizona's Office of the Auditor General, she often evaluated the efficiency and effectiveness of school district operations and identified ways to improve performance. Her Board experience at a private Montessori school included fund raising and strategic planning. She will be a strong resource both in the area of school finance and operations and in Board development.

Robin Schroeder brings extensive computer experience, small business experience, as well as print and digital marketing experience to the Corporate Board. She currently operates a small computer software consulting business and is familiar with the operations of a small business. She has served on her Home Owner's Association Architectural Committee for the last 5 years and is familiar with the Open Meeting Law. Although she is not Montessori certified, she is well-read on the Montessori Method and is a fervent supporter of this system of education. She holds a B.S. in botany from Arizona State University and has worked closely with the planning and execution of the gardens on the existing preschool campus at which both of her children are in attendance.