Arizona State Board for Charter Schools

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February 14, 2013

CERTIFIED:
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

John Hancock Academy, Inc.
Delite Gaddie and Reed Gaddie, Authorized Representatives
833 E. 6th Ave
Mesa, AZ 85204

Re: Notice of Board Action on Charter Application

Dear Ms. Gaddie and Mr. Gaddie:

Thank you for your application to the Arizona State Board for Charter Schools to establish a charter school.

Your application to establish a charter school and request for a charter under A.R.S. § 15-183 was considered and was denied by the Arizona State Board for Charter Schools at its public meeting held on February 11, 2013 based on the following:

The application failed to meet the requirements of Title 15, Chapter 1, Article 8 due to a lack of an Education Plan that includes a program of instruction that improves pupil achievement in the target population that meets the Board's criteria as stated in the scoring rubric and demonstrated through the responses to interview questions, a lack of a Writing curriculum aligned to state standards as stated in the scoring rubric, and a lack of a Business Plan that meets the Board's criteria as stated in the scoring rubric.

The applicant is not sufficient qualified to operate a charter school due to Mr. Gaddie's prior operation of a charter school whose charter was revoked in March 1998 by its sponsor, Window Rock Unified School District, for numerous significant and serious violations of its charter and state law. These violations evidence a lack of accountability and an unwillingness or inability to comply with state statutes and the charter contract in Mr. Gaddie's previous operation of a charter school. The violations also included the charter school's failure to comply with laws relating to health and

safety, and failure to comply with Arizona's fingerprinting requirements. These violations in particular affect the safety and welfare of students.

If you do not agree with this decision and wish to appeal, you may request a hearing. The request must be submitted in writing, within thirty (30) calendar days after receiving this notice. The request must identify the applicant, the applicant's address, the action being appealed, a statement of the facts asserted and the relief sought. The request must contain a concise statement of the reasons for the appeal. If you intend to be represented by an attorney, the name, address and phone number of the attorney should be included in the request.

The hearing is a formal hearing between the applicant and the Board concerning the Board's action. A hearing shall be held within sixty (60) days after the Board's receipt of the request.

To request a hearing, submit your request to:

by courier or hand delivery:
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If you request a hearing, you have the right to request an informal settlement conference pursuant to A.R.S. § 41-1092.06. If you request an informal settlement conference, the Board or its designee(s) shall hold the conference within fifteen (15) days after receiving the request. The request must be in writing and must be filed with the Board no later than twenty (20) calendar days before the hearing. To request an informal settlement conference, submit your request to:

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Sincerely,

DeAnna Rowe
Executive Director

cc: file
Kim S. Anderson, Assistant Attorney General