B.1 Applicant Organization

Organization's History

The concept of Scottsdale Country Day School was first born in July of 2010 when Steve Prahcharov found out that his charter school where he had worked as the Principal for 4 1/2 years, was probably going to close in May 2011 due to its charter school license not being renewed. Although Mr. Prahcharov's school was allowed to operate during the 2010/2011 school year, it was apparent from July 2010, and finalized in January 2011 that the school would indeed cease to operate.

Scottsdale Country Day School was officially started with Articles of Incorporation with the Arizona Corporation Commission in February, 2011 by Steve and Katherine Prahcharov who had a vision of providing excellence in education. Prior to this date, work on the idea of Scottsdale Country Day School was being conducted as early as August, 2011 to start as a private school for the 2011/2012 school year and then as a charter school for the 2012/2013 school year and beyond. As well as the forming of a non-profit company, SCDS is also in the process of filing for tax exempt status as a 501(c)(3) organization.

The revised Articles of Incorporation filed on December 15, 2011 with the Arizona Corporation Commission align with this narrative and the by-laws regarding corporate members and reflect the fact that the corporation has no members. Please see attached receipt notification.

Establishment of Principals

Steve Prahcharov has worked in a charter school since 2001, as a teacher for 4 ½ years and Principal for 5 ½ years. Partnered with his wife, Katherine, who has 10 years of experience in the business world, they have a perfect mixture of experience and expertise necessary to start a successful Charter School.

SCDS is to operate as a private school for its inaugural year in 2011/2012 and then as a charter school for the 2012/2013 school year and beyond (if approved). This is due to the fact that SCDS was officially started in February, 2011 which meant it was too late to apply for a charter school for the 2011/2012 school year.

The motivation to start the school was based on requests by families who wanted a quality educational program with leaders they know and trust, and by Mr. and Mrs. Prahcharov's desire to create an excellent charter school for their soon to be school aged children. The charter license of Mr. Prahcharov's former school was not renewed based on several factors, but NOT the academics of the school which the Charter Board of Arizona were pleased with.

Although Mr. Prahcharov is taking several teachers with him to SCDS from the failed school, first to the private school for the 2011/12 school year and then for the 2012/13 school year as a charter school, there is no connection, and will not be any future connections whatsoever to the previous failed charter school's upper management.

Section B: Organization Description

Scottsdale Country Day School is a brand new entity, is independent of all other entities (past and present), and has tremendous potential to be an outstanding new charter school.

If successful in the charter school application, the private SCDS will cease to be a private school at the end of May, 2012, and will transition smoothly into a charter school. This unique situation allows for a building to be secured and occupied, curriculum to be purchased/used, and furniture to be acquired easily for the new SCDS charter school, and significantly reduces start up costs.

Role and Responsibility of the Organization

The role and responsibility of SCDS are highlighted in Table 1 below:

Table 1 – Roles and Responsibilities of SCDS (Corporate and Governing Boards)

Role/Responsibility	Status
Overall Governance of SCDS	Ongoing
Establishing AZ corporation for SCDS	Completed 02/2011
Establishing Bylaws for SCDS	Completed 03/2011
Organizing/conducting SCDS Corporate Board meetings per Arizona's Open Meeting Law	Ongoing
Establishing class sizes and teacher/student ratios	Completed 03/2011
Establishing policies and procedures for SCDS	Completed 03/2011
Establishing budgets and sound financial practices	Ongoing
Establishing the core curriculum	Completed 04/2011
Establishing 501(c)(3) status for SCDS	Submitted to IRS 6/24/2011
Reviewing and monitoring academic achievement	Ongoing
Applying for and establishing an excellent charter school	Ongoing
Advertising with the target population of SCDS	Ongoing
Recruiting and training highly qualified staff for SCDS	Ongoing
Applying for all licensing and permits necessary to operate a school	Ongoing
Ensuring a smooth transition from a private school to a charter school	Ongoing
Creating 1 Board of Directors for the Corporate and Governing Boards	Completion by 02/2012

Roles and Responsibilities of the Principals

Steve Prahcharov will be the Principal for the Charter SCDS, a role in which he has served for 5 1/2 years at a previous charter school. As well as being the Principal for private SCDS, Mr. Prahcharov is also the co-founder of SCDS and will be the school Principal for the charter SCDS. A Corporate Board Member at SCDS, Mr. Prahcharov has an important role to play to ensure the roles and responsibilities described in Table 1 previously are followed and achieved by the School Governing Board. Mr. Prahcharov is also a non-voting member of the School

Governing Board for SCDS. When the Corporate Board and Governing Board become one and the same in February, 2012, Mr. Prahcharov will become a non-voting ex-officio member only.

Kathy Prahcharov is the Director of Operations at the private SCDS and will be the Office Manager for the charter school. Mrs. Prahcharov also co-founded SCDS with Mr. Prahcharov and will also have an important role to play to ensure the roles and responsibilities described in Table 1 are followed and achieved by the School Governing Board. In addition, Mrs. Prahcharov is also a member of the School Governing Board.

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