Organization Description

B.1 Applicant Organization

Organization's history, including the establishment of principals, and the attainment of any licenses, operating permits etc.

The Paideia Academy of Chandler, Inc. was created as a not-for-profit corporation on May 31, 2011. The corporation has no members. The incorporation documents have been properly filed with the Arizona Corporation Commission. The corporation is in Good Standing with the Arizona Corporation Commission.

The corporation was created to hold and operate the charter for The Paidea Academy of Chandler, a K-8 public charter school.

The corporation will be managed by a Board of Directors. The initial Board of Directors has adopted the corporation's By-Laws, with which the corporation operates. The corporation has obtained an EIN (Employer Identification) Number. The corporation will apply to the IRS to receive a 501 (c)(3) tax exempt status. Additionally, the corporation will obtain a DUNS number.

The Corporate Principals have valid Fingerprint Clearance Cards, as required.

Robert C. Winsor II (Brian) is the President of the Corporate Board of Directors. Beth Mendonca is the Vice President and Secretary-Treasurer of the Corporate Board of Directors. The Board of Directors may establish and elect other officers as it may deem necessary and appropriate and shall prescribe the powers and duties of any other officer of the Corporation.

The Board of Directors has approved a resolution to apply for the charter for The Paidea Academy of Chandler before the Arizona State Board for Charter Schools.

Relationship between the organization's existing operations and the proposed school

The corporation shall hold the charter for The Paidea Academy of Chandler, a K-8 public charter school.

A school governing body – Governing Board – has been created for the general oversight and policy making of the school compliant with A.R.S. 15-183 (8). The Governing Board shall meet not less than quarterly and comply in all respects with Arizona law applicable to a Governing Board of a charter school, including, but not limited to compliance with Arizona Open Meeting laws.

Roles and responsibilities of the principals that is consistent with the application package and By-laws

The corporation currently has two corporate principals, Robert C. Winsor II (Brian) and Beth Mendonca, who will serve as the directors on the initial Board of Directors. Their qualifications are discussed in section *B.2 Applicant Composition* of the charter application.

The Board of Directors shall hold regular meetings to be scheduled at least quarterly.

Role of the Corporate Board

- General Powers: The business and affairs of the Corporation shall be managed under the direction of the Board of Directors.
- Charter Holder: The Paideia Academies, Inc. shall hold the charter for The Paideia Academies of South Phoenix, a K-8 charter school.
- Create the Governing Board: The Board of Directors shall designate not less than three (3) nor more than five (5) individuals to serve on an executive committee of the Corporation that shall be recognized as the Governing Board of the charter school.
- Committees. The Board of Directors, by resolution adopted by a majority of the directors in office, may create one or more committees for such purposes as deemed appropriate by the Board of Directors. Any committee shall have the responsibilities and duties assigned to it by the Board of Directors.

Responsibilities of the Corporate Board

The Corporate Board shall:

- Manage and control the assets and affairs of the corporation.
- Provide fiscal oversight and ensure regulatory compliance and legal accountability.
- Oversee the Good Standing with the Corporation Commission;
- Be responsible for the fiscal health of the corporation – preparing and submitting annual fiscal reports to the Arizona Corporation Commission;
- Adopt, amend, or repeal the bylaws;
- Oversee the charter contract;
- Appoint, remove, replace and supervise all the Corporation's officers and any of the Corporation's employees;
- Invest and expend Corporation funds in order to carry out all the Corporation's business;
- Employ or discharge agents, employees and independent contractors.
- Negotiate and enter into necessary agreements, or subcontracts to promote, develop and conduct the Corporation's business and otherwise carry out the Corporation's intent and purpose;
- Obtain liability, property and other insurance as necessary to properly protect the Corporation's business and properties and the Corporation's officers, directors, managers, members, and employees;
- Institute and defend litigation involving the Corporation;
- Borrow money for Corporation purposes.
- Execute any instruments or documents necessary or convenient to carry on Corporation business;
- Establish operating procedures, requirements, policies and guidelines for the Corporation which shall be implemented and followed by the Corporation's officers, employees, and independent contractors.
- Appoint the Governing Board for the school.
- Appoint the School Principal