

# CHARTER SCHOOL COMMISSION PUBLIC FORUM SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

Impact | Tacoma | Thursday, May 21, 2020 | 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

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## Attendance:

Betsy Cohen, Dr. Don Felder, Jessica Garcia, Chris Korsmo, Heather Lechner, Harium Martin-Morris, Dr. Kristina Mayer, Dr. Margit McGuire, Gayle Pauley, and Christine Varela.

Leadership Team: Joshua Halsey, Executive Director; Krystal Starwich, Deputy Director; Leslie Hayden, Oversight Specialist; Kara Lowe, Oversight Specialist; and Amanda Martinez, Executive Assistant.

## Opening Remarks

### Welcome

Executive Director Halsey called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. The following Commissioners were present: Betsy Cohen, Dr. Don Felder, Jessica Garcia, Chris Korsmo, Heather Lechner, Harium Martin-Morris, Dr. Kristina Mayer, Dr. Margit McGuire, Gayle Pauley, and Christine Varela.

Executive Director Halsey provided an overview of the Commission's role and the New Charter School Application process, including an overview of the public forum process.

## Applicant Presentation

Jen Wickens, Kowsar Abshir and Mimi Jansen presented an overview of Impact | Tacoma a proposed TK-5 charter school to open in Tacoma in the 2021-2022 school year.

## Question & Answer Panel

The public and the applicant engaged in a live question and answer panel. These will be posted on the Commission's website at <https://charterschool.wa.gov/applying/submitted-applications/>.

## Closing Remarks

Executive Director Halsey closed the public forum and provided methods to send public comment to the Commission regarding the New Charter School Application.

## Meeting Adjournment

The public forum adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

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