

Good Evening,

I would like to thank the County Commissioners for allowing me to speak today in support of Discovery Lane becoming the first non-public school permissible in the Waldorf Central Zone. I am Rhainie Frazier, the Assistant Director at Discovery Lane Preschool. From my start at Discovery Lane 4 years ago, I have witnessed firsthand the exponential growth of this educational institution. As a team we have created an environment that encourages young learners to love learning and seek new experiences. With the encouragement and support from our families we decided to expand our program to service children beyond preschool age. The young learners who have attended our program from prior centers or who have been home based, exit with not only the confidence to be in any learning space but also excel above age appropriate standards. I want to thank our families for championing our program even through a pandemic. Because of their dedication to our program and the increasing interest we are receiving, we have worked diligently to create more opportunities to service families from our community and surrounding areas with a high quality educational experience. It is my prayer you all decide to move forward with making a decision tonight and not keep the record open. I hope that the conclusion of this hearing results in an approved permissible status for Discovery Lane to become the first non-public schools in our zone. Though we will be the first, we definitely do not want to be the last. Thank you for your time and consideration, I am Rhainie Frazier and I am finished speaking.