



Williamson County Montessori Partners
Board Meeting Minutes
January 22, 2019

Mission: To provide an exceptional Montessori Education to all children and their families, encouraging a lifelong love of learning and active participation in their communities.

Vision: To develop conscientious citizens who approach their world with confidence, creativity and collaboration.

1. In Attendance, Establishment of Quorum, Call to order: (5 minutes)

In attendance: Kate McSpadden, Mary Evelyn Bowling, Carl Illig, Kimber Fucello, Mark Cortinas.

Staff in attendance: Nancy Gribble –Tay, Marcy Steward, Christi Cowden, and Alessandra Abel.

Meeting was called to order at 6:31 p.m.

2. Public Comments: (10 minutes)

Speakers may have up to 3 minutes each and shall sign in 5 minutes prior to the commencement of the meeting. No public comments.

3. Review and approve minutes of previous meeting (s): (5 minutes)

Carl moved and Kimber seconded that we approve the minutes from 12/18/18. Motion passed 5/0.

Kimber moved and Carl seconded that we approve minutes from 12/22/18. Motion passed 5/0.

4. Reports: (10 minutes)

A. Review Treasurer's report: Marcy Steward

Marcy did include the TEA final report on the CSP grant.

We received a small grant for Guide training.

B. Review Business Operations report: Marcy Steward

Cothron's should begin the work on the doors next week.

The flood that occurred over winter break in the classrooms, was managed quickly and was covered by insurance.

C. Review Head of School report: Nancy Gribble-Tay

In addition to her report, Nancy provided a brief update on recess policies.

D. Review Admission and Communications Report: Christi Cowden

Kate updated us on the admissions and tuition policy regarding 3 and 4 year old siblings of current students.

E. Review 2017-18 STAAR Data and Goals for 2018-19: Alessandra Abel

Alex reviewed the STAAR report and goals that she provided to the board. She shared that we are integrating more STAAR focused material into daily lessons. We also have an interventionist working in classrooms with the children. We are currently working on aligning the TEKS and STAAR to the Montessori curriculum.

The WilCo Montessori Partners Board of Directors adheres to Open Meetings statutes as dictated by Texas Government Code Title S, Subtitle A, Chapter 551.

5. Discussion and Action Items: (30 minutes)

A. Discussion: School Safety Committee

Carl is pleased that the end of the door issues is in sight. We need to decide if we are going to provide GPD a key. They also want access to video stream.

B. Discussion: Facilities

The committee met regarding student growth and facilities. There was some discussion regarding off site space.

C. Discussion: Board Member Insurance

Marcy is getting quotes for Insurance.

D. Discussion: Fundraising

Raise Craze student kick off is next Friday 2/1/19.

E. Discussion and Approval: 2017-18 Audit

Gary Sauls, Audit Manager from Paul J. Christensen & Associates, reviewed the highlights from the audit report the board.

Kate moved and Marc seconded that we approve the audit for 2017-2018, conducted by Paul J. Christensen & Associates.

F. Closed session per Texas Government Code section §551.074 to discuss and make decision on Personnel Matters.

Kate moved that we enter closed session at 7:37 p.m. Carl seconded.

Mark moved that we come out of closed session at 8:02 p.m. Kimber seconded. All approved.

No action was taken from closed session.

9. Adjourn:

Mark moved that we adjourn. Kimber seconded. All approved. We adjourned at 8:03 p.m.