

Williamson County Montessori Partners

Board Meeting Minutes

April 17, 2018

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, Mickell Moss, Carl Illig, Charlene Burgess. Staff in attendance: Nancy Gribble –Tay, Marcy Steward, Christi Cowden.

2. Public Comments: (10 minutes)

Patrick spoke regarding last months meeting. He thought it was a healthy meeting with a good dialogue. Patrick suggests that Board Members come visit during a drill. He also suggests that we educate ourselves more extensively about arming teachers. The next drill is in May.

3. Review and approve minutes of previous meeting (s): (5 minutes) Carl moved to approve March minutes. Charlene seconded. All approved.

- 4. Reports: (30 minutes)
- A. Review Treasurer's report: Kate McSpadden

Michael Park, a parent, has volunteered to help with financial development. B. Review Head of School report: Nancy Gribble-Tay

The Staar tests went well. There was improvement throughout the entire school. Nancy brought in a Montessori trainer and is working with National Center for Montessori in the Public Sector. She is recruiting for staff for next year. C. Review Business Operations report: Marcy Steward

Our Amplify Austin funds were deposited. They were not what we expected. We are using CSP funds for SPED. A consultant from Dallas is coming in to help provide ideas. D. Registrar's report: Current enrollment is 313. Waitlists in every grade. 100 for kindergarten. Christi shared that many of our families are being broken up because we have to admit eligible students before ineligible. We are looking for solutions. Christi has called several charter schools to investigate. E. Review Community Engagement

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report: Montique Chance No additional comments.

5. Discussion and Action Items: (30 minutes)

A. Discussion: Board Development, KateKimber Fucello's resume was presented. She is available to serve on our board.B. Discussion: School Safety Committee, Charlene has a few CRASE community meetings on the calendar.

6. Closed Session: Kate moved to go into closed session. Carl seconded. All approved. Entered closed session at 7:11 p.m. Mary Evelyn moved that we exit closed session at 7:18. Kate seconded. All approved.

6. Adjourn; Kate moved that we exit Board meeting at 7:20. Mickell seconded. All approved.

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