



# Goodwater Montessori Public Charter School

## Minutes

### September 29, 2020 Goodwater Board Meeting

 Tue September 29th, 2020

 6:30pm - 8:00pm CDT

 Online

#### In Attendance

#### 1. **Call To Order**

Expected in attendance: Carl Illig, Kathy Trullender, Mary Evelyn Bowling, Kimber Fucello and Christopher Hinds. The following staff are expected in attendance: Dr. Bruce Tabor, Marcy Steward, Christi Cowden, Cheniese Armstrong and Michele Morales.

Mary Evelyn Bowling, Kathy Trullender, Chris Hinds, Carl Illig, Kimber Fucello were present. Staff present: Dr. Bruce Tabor, Christi Cowden, Marcy Steward, Cheniese Armstrong, and Michele Morales

The meeting was called to order at 6:31 pm by Carl Illig. All board members were present so quorum was established.

#### 2. **Public Comments**

Speakers will be allocated 2 minutes for public comments on matters of public interest.

No public comments.

#### 3. **Oral Superintendent/CEO Report - Dr. Bruce Tabor**

Dr. Bruce discussed his report. He thanked the staff and the incredible work they continue to do during this time. He discussed how in-person schooling has been going. He talked about the commitment level of the students. We continue to work on remote and on-campus instruction. He discussed personnel issues and that we are under-staffed at the moment. Beginning October 1st-14th we will be accepting change in learning environments people have selected. From in-person to remote and vice-versa.

#### 4. **Consent Agenda**

Items on consent agenda do not require an individual vote.

**Decision:** Carl moved to approve the consent agenda minus the Director of Admissions Report and The Employee Handbook. Mary Evelyn seconded, and all were in favor. Motion passed 5/0.

- a. **Superintendent/CEO Report**
- b. **Director of Admissions Report**  
This will be pulled from this consent agenda at this time.
- c. **Director of Business Operations Report**
- d. **Director of Special Education Report**
- e. **Minutes from August 25, 2020 Board Meeting**
- f. **Minutes from September 8, 2020 Board Meeting**
- g. **Employee Handbook**  
This will be voted on in the next board meeting.

## 5. **Discussion and Action Items**

Director of Admissions report was discussed. As student comes up on the next on waitlist find out if they want in-person or remote. If they wanted to accept a remote option since in-person is at capacity. Waitlist and how it could move were discussed by Denise Pierce. If person denies a remote seat because they want an in-person spot, they can stay on the waitlist. Talk through this offline and create protocol with Denise Pierce to present to TEA's expectations. Chris had questions about capacity and if school can accept more in-person if we are at capacity.

- a. **Policy Updates**  
There are none for tonight.
- b. **Conflict of Interest Statements**  
Carl discussed the conflict of interest statement. He will email this to each board member and needs to have this returned to him by end of week.
- c. **PPP Forgiveness Application**  
Marcy discussed the PPP loan forgiveness and mentioned that everything looks pretty good so far and forgiveness is expected based on answers to application. She mentioned the process is slow.
- d. **Asynchronous Education Plan**  
The feedback from Region 13 was discussed. We need to be more specific on what we are doing and need to make sure the narrative is more specific.  
  
Chris discussed some of the components of the plan. He would like to include peer training from some instructors on Google Classroom, as some of them are doing a phenomenal job. He discussed the communicating expectations. He'd like to

advocate a second survey to parents. This is being worked on and will be sent to parents when completed.

Dr. Bruce discussed how this will be sent to TEA and we might get it back for more changes before TEA will approve.

**Decision:** Carl moved to approve the Asynchronous Education Plan with the changes Dr. Bruce is going to make based on feedback from Region 13. Kimber seconded, and all were in favor. Motion passed 5/0.

## 6. **Closed Session**

Per Texas Government Code section §551.074 to discuss Personnel matters and Per Texas Government Code section §551.071 for a consultation with the school attorney.

Board members returned from closed session at 7:12 pm.

**Decision:** Carl moved to go into closed session at 6:24 pm. Kimber seconded, and all were in favor. Motion passed 5/0.

## 7. **Matters From Closed Session**

None

### a. **Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Discussions in Closed Session**

None

## 8. **Announce Date and Time of Next Board Meeting**

Next board meeting will be held October 27th at 6:30 pm. We need to make sure to include the budget amendment in the next agenda. The deadline for reports and everything needed is October 20th.

## 9. **Adjourn**

**Decision:** Carl moved to adjourn at 7:48 pm. Kimber seconded and all were in favor. Motion passed 5/0.

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## **Parking Lot**

The Employee Handbook will be discussed at a later date.