

## Williamson County Montessori Partners Board Meeting Minutes Tuesday, January 21, 2020

6:30pm, Goodwater Montessori School Roadrunner Community

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

In attendance: Carl Illig, Kathy Trullender, Mary Evelyn Bowling, Kimber Fuccello and Mark Cortinas. Staff in attendance: Dr. Bruce Tabor, Marcy Steward, and Michele Morales.

Carl Illig called the meeting to order at 6:30pm.

2. Public Comments

Speakers have to sign in 5 minutes prior to the commencement of the meeting. They may only comment on agenda items.

## No speakers

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

Kathy moved to accept the minutes as written. Kimber seconded and all were in favor. The motion passed 5/o.

- 4. Discussion and Action Items
  - A. Discussion and Action: 2018-2019 Audit

Paul Christensen with Paul Christiansen and Associates discussed the final audit report.

Kathy moved to approve the independent audit report the 2018-2019 by Paul. J. Christensen & Associates, LLC. Kimber seconded and all were in favor. Motion passed 5/o.

B. Discussion and Action: Director of Special Education Position

Dr. Bruce discussed the resolution to open up the job application for the Director of Special Education position. He discussed the Sped population and those being tested for possible Sped services.

Kimber discussed having to make a budget amendment to reflect the correct code.

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Kimber moved to approve the Director of Special Education position. Mary Evelyn seconded and all were in favor. Motion passed 5/o.

Marcy left the meeting at 7:14am.

C. Discussion: Expansion - Phase II

Kathy, Carl and Dr. Bruce have been meeting about the expansion. Carl mentioned that the expansion looks good for the 2021-22 school year. We have been working with the city to allow Goodwater to have the portable on campus for one more year. Kathy discussed conversations they have had with Paula Dean from Choice Advisors. Choice Advisors finds finance entities to underwrite the purchase of the building.

D. Discussion and Action: Goodwater-Choice Engagement Letter

Carl discussed the Goodwater-Choice engagement letter. Kathy, Carl, and Dr. Bruce requested that the board move to approve but that more due diligence needs to be done.

Kimber moved to allow Carl to sign on behalf of Goodwater Montessori and sign the engagement letter. Mary Evelyn seconded and all were in favor. Motion passed 5/o.

F. Discussion and Action: Reimbursement of Construction Related Costs

Carl discussed the reimbursement of the construction related costs. He also discussed getting quotes as to the related costs of the construction.

Kathy moved to approve the resolution expressing intent to finance expenditures to be incurred with respect to the acquisition, construction and/or equipping of educational facilities; and containing other matters related thereto. Kimber seconded and all were in favor. Motion passed 4/o. (Mary Evelyn had to leave the room for a moment so abstained from voting).

F. Discussion: Board Terms & Recruitment

Carl discussed the board terms and the recruitment of new board members. He is looking at the possibility of having a total of seven board members. Kathy discussed how we need to start recruiting now, and we need to create a new process that is more open than it has been in the past. Creating a sub-committee to focus on the new processes and recruitment was also discussed.

G. Discussion and Action: Grant Carl Illig, Board President Signing Authority at Financial Institutions

Carl discussed how the financial institution needs to add him as a signatory to all accounts so he can sign checks.

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