

# Minutes for Board Meeting

## Goodwater Montessori School

April 27, 2021, 6:30 PM

Decisions are highlighted.

### Call to order

1. Expected to be in attendance: Carl Illig, Mary Evelyn Bowling, Kimber Fuccello, Christopher Hinds, Montique Chance, Jan MacWatters, and Suzanne Robinson. The following staff is expected to be in attendance: Dr. Bruce Tabor, Marcy Steward, Kim Hodges, Luis Lopez, Jenny Wilson, Heather Pencil, Alma Lahmon, and Kristi Lee.

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Montique Chance joins at 6:57 pm.

6:31 pm Carl Illig calls the meeting to order and establishes a quorum.

2. Public Comments Speakers will be allocated 2 minutes for public comments on matters of public concern.

No public comments.

### 3. Consent Agenda

Carl Illig asks if anyone wants to move any item from the consent agenda to the discussion agenda.

Chris Hinds comments that the reports created by the staff look very good. **Chris Hinds moves to approve the consent agenda as prepared with no changes. Mary Evelyn Bowling seconds. The motion passes unanimously.**

### 4. Discussion and Action Items

#### a. Dr. Bruce Tabor gives the Superintendent Report.

He expresses appreciation for the board, staff, and families for their efforts and work during this challenging year. The Emergency Operations Plan (EOP) has been completed and submitted. Staar testing is ongoing, and we do have makeups scheduled for the STAAR Writing due to quarantine. We are simultaneously working on End of Year (EOY) Map testing.

Our current enrollment is 358, and we have 334 returning for next year and 142 new students for next year. We are continuing our marketing campaign plans. The Covid-19 report is that four communities have been quarantined since our last meeting. Masks are still required by all on campus. Luis Lopez, the new Director of Special Programs, was

introduced. Reminder to the community that drop-off is 7:30-7:50 am. Families need to sign children in after 7:50 am. We are deciding on what type of speed bumps to install for next fall. New cameras for the remaining hallways are being ordered.  
2021-2022 Charter renewal is due in 2022.

- b. The board discussed the Safety Committee Meeting Minutes with no questions.
- c. The board discussed the Finance Committee Meeting Minutes and specifically the idea of opening a Montessori training facility on our campus.  
The benefits discussed include it being a revenue generator for our school, could lead to an Education Foundation, increased presence on campus of Montessori-trained professionals, a pipeline of contacts for hiring purposes, and strengthens Montessori support for children.
- d. Covid-19 update. Discussion around numbers of cases in Williamson County. The task force met and discussed options for students to have mask breaks. The staff recommendation from Dr. Bruce Tabor is to continue requiring masks on campus for the remainder of this school year. We will revisit this issue over the summer and decide for next fall based on new information from CDC and WCCHD.  
What metrics will we use to determine the protocol for next year? Williamson County reports and recommendations. Kimber Fuccello moves to extend the required mask protocol through the end of this school year. Montique Chance seconds the motion. The motion passes unanimously.
- e. The learning environment for next year. Dr. Bruce Tabor and staff recommend in-person learning and no remote for next year. Board discussed in-person vs. remote learning and possible scenarios we have to consider. Discussion around vaccinations, quarantine, transmission, masks, and unknown factors. Chris Hinds moves to reopen in person only. Jan Mac Watters seconds the motion. Chris Hinds moves to modify his motion to say reopen for on-campus instruction only. Jan Mac Watters seconds the motion. The motion passes unanimously.
- f. Board meetings in-person in the near future. Board discussed how we could safely meet in person and virtually include anyone who wants to join.

5. Carl Illig moves to begin a closed session at 7:49 pm. Chris Hinds seconds the motion. The motion passes unanimously. The board goes into closed session and returns at 7:58 pm. Closed Session a. Per Texas Government Code section §551.074 to discuss personnel matters and/or Per Texas Government Code section §551.071 for a consultation with the school attorney and/or Per Texas Government Code section 551.072 to discuss Real Property. Carl Illig moves that the Wilco Board of Directors decides not to entertain the offer to sell real estate in closed session. Kimber Fuccello seconds the motion. The motion passes unanimously.

6. At 8:00 pm, Mary Evelyn moves to adjourn the meeting. Jan Mac Watters seconds the motion. The motion passes unanimously.