



Williamson County Montessori Partners
Board Meeting Minutes
February 6, 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)

Expected in attendance: Kate McSpadden, Kevin Kaplan, Mary Evelyn Bowling, Mickell Moss, Carl Illig, and Charlene Burgess. Staff expected in attendance: Nancy Gribble –Tay, Marcy Steward, Christie Cowden, Montique Chance.

Meeting called to order at 6:34 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.

None

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

Carl made some changes to minutes to include public comments.

Mickell moved to approve as amended. Kevin seconded, all approved.

4. Reports: (30 minutes)

A. Review Treasurer's report: Kevin Kaplan

Board members met to discuss contacting the parents who were to pay tuition and ask for donation.

The short list was divided. Each Board Member has 3 to 4 families to call. Calls are to be made by 2/14/18. Donations are to come in by check or to the website.

- o Raise Craze overview

2 parents (Wendy Tran and Z Proscurshim) are heading the Raise Craze fundraising campaign. They are raising money through acts of kindness. Children will set up account and complete acts of kindness and community service. The children will ask for a donation from a person or business and then complete a community service projects already. Service groups are created by each classroom.

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

Progress Reports will go out March 9th.

SPED schedule has been bumped up to make up for a bit of lost time. Regular schedule will resume March 9th.

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

C. Review Business Operations report: Marcy Steward
Marcy said our monthly shortfall was greater than expected.

D. Review Registrar Report: Christi Cowden
260 applications in to date for 2018 to 2019. Most are pre-k. We currently have 190 intent to returns.
We need to recruit elementary students.

E. Review Community Engagement report: Montique Chance

5. Discussion and Action Items: (30 minutes)

A. Discussion: Online Document Sharing
Carl wants to know if this type of system would be covered in grant. Marcy suggested the google docs system for boards.

B. Discussion: Concealed handguns on campus
Carl indicated that he has put a lot of thought into this. He indicated that we aren't ready for this yet. He believes we are too new and do not have enough of a plan. He indicated that it goes against our existing school policy. It is also in our Charter application.

C. Discussion: 2018-2019 School Calendar
We are trying to match GISD calendar more than last year. Our school day will be shortened and we will take away the early release Wednesday. Fall break included.

D. Request by Board Members for items to be placed on next month's agenda.
Concealed Weapons on campus

6. Closed Session:

Kate moved to enter closed session at 8:24 p.m. Mickell moved that we leave closed session at 8:41. Carl seconded. No action required.

7. Adjourn:

Kate moved that we adjourn at 8:45. Charlene seconded. All approved.