

Goodwater Montessori Public Charter School
Goodwater Montessori School Board Meeting
Mon Feb 2, 2026 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM CST

1. Call To Order

Meeting called to order by President Mary Evelyn Bowling at 6:02 pm. Board members in attendance: Dr. Andy Attaway, Mary Evelyn Bowling, Jade Winters and Lydia Hancock. Staff members in attendance: Dr. Bruce Tabor, Beverly Al-Tabatabaie, Megan Spencer, Sharmayne Smith, Kristi Felty, Kim Hodges, Roberta Givens, Rachel Wicker and Marcy Steward. Kimber Fuccello, Consultant.

2. Public Comments

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

a. School Board Recognition

Students presented posters and cards to each board member in recognition of their service to Goodwater.

3. Consent Agenda

Dr. Attaway moved to approve. L. Hancock seconded. Approved 4-0. No specific discussion on consent items with the exception of Special Education and Principal Report.

a. Enrollment Report

b. Special Programs Report

i. Special Education Grant 26-27 - Curriculum

Discussion on possible curriculum for Special Education for 26-27 as part of a grant application. Approval not requested at this time.

c. Student Academic Update

d. Curriculum and Instruction Report

e. Facilities Report

f. Contracts and Agreements

g. Principal Report

Discussion on results of NWEA MAP testing for grades 3-5. Seeing significant growth by students.

h. Minutes from December 15, 2025 and January 12, 2026

4. Discussion and Action Items

a. Superintendent/CEO Report

Dr. Tabor presented his report verbally.

Safety: School Safety Audit complete. A facility security audit will be completed in February by TEA.

Academics: Mid-year MAP assessments for Kindergarten to 5th grade have been completed, showing student growth. Ongoing monitoring of RTI and AI/RTI programs is in place to support students needing additional help.

Marketing: The first Outdoor Education Podcast has been released, featuring interviews with staff and students. A new Montessori commercial will be posted on the website, and the "Learn More" tab will be updated monthly. A marketing campaign for Prospective Parent Nights includes social media videos and direct mail, supported by donations.

Events: International Day is February 27th and the Texas Public Charter School Association recognized charter school advocate State Senator Schwertner at Goodwater on January 13th.

Orchard News: Students are preparing the orchard for spring and volunteers should contact Leigh-Anna Martinets if interested.

b. Financial Reports

Kimber Fuccello presented the Statement of Financial Position and the Statement of Activities. Expenses continue to exceed revenue and therefore reduce assets. Line of credit for \$50, 000 was approved at the bank for cash flow. Additional capital is needed.

i. Budget 2025-2026

A preliminary review of the budget shows a smaller deficit than ordinarily budgeted due to some savings in services as well as a grant. An amendment was not presented for approval.

c. Annual Financial Audit 2024-2025

Paul Christianson of Paul J. Christensen & Associates, LLC, presented the Annual Financial Audit for 2024-2025. The audit resulted in an unmodified opinion which is the desired outcome. Christensen congratulated Goodwater on the accuracy of it's financial reporting.

Although not part of the audit, he noted that Goodwater has a significant lease liability and the Current Ratio is below Texas Education Agency's desired 1:1.

Dr. Attaway moved to approve the audit as presented. L. Hancock seconded. Approved 4-0.

d. 2026-2027 School Year

The administration recommended the following changes for the 26-27 school year if supported by enrollment: 1. PreK3 returns to a morning half day program due to only receiving half-day funding from the state as well as the the ability to transition the nap room back to a classroom. 2. Add 6th grade 3. Open three additional classrooms.

M. Bowling moved to approve the options as recommended. J. Winters seconded. Votes : For: 3 Against: 1 (Attaway). Motion passed 3-1.

5. Closed Session

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 and/or Section 551.076 deliberation regarding security devices or security audits.

M. Bowling moved to go into closed session. Dr. Attaway seconded. Approved 4-0. The board invited K. Fuccello and M. Steward and entered closed session at 7:11pm.

Dr. Attaway moved to return to open session. L. Hancock seconded. Approved 4-0. The Board returned from closed session at 8:44pm.

6. Announce Date and Time of Next Board Meeting

Monday, February 23, 2026 at 6pm

7. Adjourn

Motion to Adjourn by Dr. Attaway. L. Hancock seconded. Approved 4-0. Adjourned 8:57pm.