# Goodwater Montessori Public Charter School Goodwater Montessori School Board Meeting Mon Nov 17, 2025 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM CST

#### 1. Call To Order

The meeting was called to order by President, Mary Evelyn Bowling at 6:03 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, Kristi Felty, Roberta Givens and Marcy Steward. Kimber Fuccello, Consultant.

#### 2. Public Comments

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

None

# 3. Consent Agenda

No items specifically discussed. Dr. Attaway moved to approve and L. Hancock seconded. Approved 4-0.

- a. Enrollment Report
- b. Special Programs Report
- c. Principal Report
- d. Minutes from November 3, 2025
- 4. Discussion and Action Items
  - a. Orchard Update

Agenda item moved to December meeting

b. School Improvement Update

**School Improvement** 

B. Al-Tabatabaie presented The School Improvement Update consisting of Goals, Staffing, Response to Intervention (RTI) and Tutoring. Goals include a 20% increase in the number of students achieving a "Meets or HIgher" achievement on the STAAR test. RTI teacher, Mr. Eric Green, started 11/17 and will be working with students that need additional academic support. He will push into 3-5 classrooms as well as work with small groups outside the classroom. After school tutoring will begin in January from 3:45-4:45 for students.

# c. Student Academic Update

- i. Beginning of the Year Measurement of Performance (MAP)
  - R. Givens presented Beginning of the Year (BOY) NWEA MAP results for Math, English and Science (5th grade). MAP measures both growth and achievement. Middle of the Year (MOY) MAP scheduled for early December. The BOY compared this year with the BOY from last year for each student. Overall, both Math and Reading Achievement

Results are higher than they were a year ago. Givens presented MAP results for growth and achievement at each grade level. MAP Science was added and only the 5th grade students were assessed for BOY. Grades 1-4 have been added and will be included in the MOY assessment.

Students also take a Texas Formative Assistance Resource (TFAR) assessment based on the TEKS for the previous 9 weeks. The assessment is created by Givens using previous STAAR questions to identify students that are struggling or concepts that may require additional instruction.

#### ii. Science

K. Felty discussed the Science data tracker, daily Science warm-ups as well as how the school is identifying and targeting low performing TEKS for 5th grade. Students will have more opportunities for hands-on activities/experiments with the upcoming units.

# d. Superintendent/CEO Report

Dr. Bruce Tabor Presented his report verbally:

Staffing: Shannon Bailey has moved from her position in the classroom to the administrative assistant in the office. Eric Green has been hired for RTI. Positions to be filled include a Special Education teacher and an assistant.

School Safety: The Safety Committee met last week and went over the security audit in closed session. Monthly drills were completed. Regular security sweeps of the exterior of the building are being conducted by security and doors are monitored.

Academics: Implementing a Science check in assessment tool that is aligned to the TEKS so we can monitor student knowledge in all grades from K-5. Additional hands-on opportunities for science experiments. 9 week assessments will continue. R. Givens will provide data to guides for RTI purposes.

# Community Engagement:

Veteran's Day: On Tuesday, November 11th we celebrated Veteran's Day with students, families, and Veterans. The students presented information and thank you cards to our Veterans. Refreshments were provided after the presentation.

GTX Community Food Drive: Students and Staff members collected 3031 items. Thank you to Ms. Shannon Bailey for organizing this event. It is important for our students to learn about how to integrate themselves into the world beyond their school community through these types of community activities.

Orchard Workday: On Saturday, November 8th, Ms. Leigh-Anna and many family volunteers worked in the Goodwater Montessori Orchard, preparing for fall planting. The chicken run was extended, trees were trimmed, a new gaga ball pit was installed for our students. Thank everyone that participated in this event so students have a great experience not only in the community but also in the great outdoors.

#### i. Marketing

Creating an Outdoor Education podcast and advertising for the website and social media. If anyone is interested in volunteering to assist with marketing efforts, please contact Dr. Bruce.

# e. Financial Reports

K. Fuccello presented the Statement of Financial Position, Statement of Activities and a Cash Flow Statement. Assets continue to decrease as expenses increase. The deficient is in line with the adopted budget. Additional fund raising and/or reducing rent expense is needed to balance the budget.

#### f. PreK 3 Program

Letter & Survey to go out to PreK3 parents this week regarding unfunded second-half of the day with a response deadline of December 11th.

#### 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.

Dr. Attaway moved to go into closed session. L. Hancock seconded. Approved 4-0. Board entered closed session at 7:13 with K. Fuccello and M. Steward attending.

Dr. Attaway moved to return to open session. J. Winters seconded. Approved 4-0. Board entered open session at 8:02 pm.

# **6.** Announce Date and Time of Next Board Meeting December 15, 2025 at 6:00pm

# **7.** Adjourn

Dr. Attaway moved. J. Winters seconded. Approved 4-0. Adjourned 8:04pm.