

Mountain West Montessori Academy

Board Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, August 23, 2017

Location: MWMA Library, 4125 W. Foxview Drive, South Jordan, UT 84009



In Attendance: Steve Barnes, Corbin White, Andrew Marx, Lois Bobo

Excused: Ryan Parker

Others in Attendance: Angie Johnson, Dawn Kawaguchi, Kim Dohrer, Brandon Fairbanks, Cathie Hurst

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Minutes

2017-2018 Board Goals

Strengthen Parent Partnerships
Define Learning Excellence at MWMA
Maintain & Support Quality Faculty

6:10 PM – INTRODUCTORY ITEMS

- Call to Order – Steve Barnes
- School Mission – Corbin

There was no PUBLIC COMMENT.

REPORTS

➤ Director

- State of the School – Angie Johnson showed a PowerPoint presentation her Director's report.
 - ♣ Review of board priorities
 - ✓ Strengthening Parent Partnerships
 - ★ Communication
 - ⚙ Upgraded "OneCallNow"
 - ⚙ Utilizing Facebook more
 - ⚙ Hired part-time PR/Marketing personnel
 - ★ Cohesion
 - ⚙ New student jackets for sale
 - ⚙ Family Movie Nights
 - ⚙ School spirit shirt proposal by a student

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- ★ Investment/Involvement
 - ✿ Giving parents more volunteer opportunities
 - ✿ Working on getting parent engagement ideas
 - ✓ Define Learning Excellence at MWMA – Angie sent out a teacher survey to get input for defining learning excellence at MWMA.
 - ★ Learning How to Learn
 - ★ Persistence
 - ★ Data & Standards
 - ★ Opportunities for Leadership excellence
 - ✓ Maintain & Support Quality Faculty
 - ★ Professional development – new morning PD schedule
 - ★ Positive culture
 - ★ Autonomy & collaboration
 - ♣ Current Strength
 - ✓ Schoolwide Collaboration
 - ✓ Administration
 - ♣ Recent Challenge
 - ✓ Middle School schedule
 - ♣ School theme this year is Momentum
 - ♣ New Assistant – Introduction of Sheri Ebert’s strengths
- **MWMA Soliloquy** – Steve thanked Dan Galli for his friendship, service and contributions to the board and presented him with a board plaque. Dan’s presence will definitely be missed by everyone on the board.
- **Board of Directors**
 - Review 2017-2018 Budget as of July 31, 2017 – Cathie presented since Ryan was excused from this meeting. She explained the property deficit which was for the addition of the CTE room. The room was done in June but wasn’t paid until July. Cathie stated that it will be accrued and catch up by next month.
 - Discuss Parent Engagement Committee – Lois Bobo stated that this information has evolved. The key to this is communication and it changes from year to year. Parent communication needs to be organic. We are making good progress and there are no major concerns. There was a discussion on how the parent committees are going. There was a discussion on Community Council vs. Trustlands Committee. The Trustlands Committee can be utilized for other stakeholder input such as the annual review of the parent compact, etc.
- **Academica West**
 - Annual Open & Public Meetings Act Training – Brandon Fairbanks reviewed the Open & Public Meetings Act. The topics that he discussed were meetings and quorums; public comment; electronic meetings as long as you have a policy; emails between board members; GRAMA requests; notice of meetings; Utah Public Notice website; record of meetings; closed meetings for specific reasons stated only and roll call must be done; recordings; accommodations for persons with

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disabilities; annual training. An affirmation of training was passed out to the members to sign for this training.

Corbin White made a motion to approve the CONSENT ITEMS. Lois Bobo seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

- Approve May 23, 2017 Board Meeting Minutes
- Approve June 20, 2017 Board Meeting Minutes
- Approve June 20, 2017 Closed Session Affidavit
- Approve August 1, 2017 Electronic Board Meeting Minutes
 - Ratify adding Angie Johnson as a signer on the Zions Bank petty cash account
- Ratify Amended 2017-2018 School Fee Schedule – *Angie stated that the robotics fee was under the optional after school club fees and it is actually an elective class fee. The cost was a typo at \$200 but since she received a partial grant for the LEGO Mindstorm robots the actual cost for each student is \$50 per semester.*

BUSINESS ITEMS (To Be Discuss and/or Voted On)

- Discuss and Vote on Amended Wellness Policy – Angie Johnson stated that the Wellness Policy was already approved. However, when this last amendment there was a section regarding candy, sweets, treats and caffeinated soda that was left out. This new amended policy restored the language that was omitted on “Celebrations and Rewards”. **Andrew Marx made a motion to approve the amended Wellness Policy. Lois Bobo seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.**

OTHER BUSINESS ITEMS

- Review Board Meeting Dates – Dawn reviewed the changes of the board meeting dates. There was a date change to meet the boards personal schedule.
- Calendaring – ALL
 - September Pre-Board Meeting – September 20th @ 4:30 p.m.
 - Next Board Meeting – September 27th @ 6:00 p.m.
 - Moved Holiday Social to December 4th @ 6:00 p.m.

7:26 PM – Corbin White made a motion to enter into a CLOSED SESSION to discuss an individual’s character, professional competence, or physical or mental health pursuant to Utah Code 52-4-205(1)(a). Andrew Marx seconded the motion. The votes were as follows:

Lois Bobo – Aye

Steve Barnes – Aye

Corbin White – Aye

Andrew Marx – Aye

Motion passed unanimously.

7:53 PM – Corbin White made a motion to exit the CLOSED SESSION and ADJOURN. Andrew Marx seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

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Closed Executive Board Meeting Affidavit
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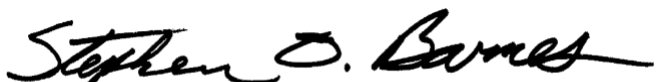
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AFFIDAVIT

This Closed Session was held to discuss an individual's character, professional competence, or physical or mental health pursuant to Utah Code 52-4-205(1)(a).


Steve Barnes – Board President

29 November 2017
Date

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