

Meeting Minutes

Mountain West Montessori Academy

Land Trust Committee Meeting

Date: Thursday, October 9, 2025

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

1. Call to Order & Introductions

The meeting was called to order by Angie Johnson at 5:30 PM. Attendees signed in on the sheet provided.

2. Rules of Order and Procedure

Angie Johnson reviewed the meeting procedures. A quorum, defined as a majority of current council members, must be present to take official action. It was noted that while teachers can be on the council, there must be more parents than staff.

3. Nominations and Vote on Committee Chair and Vice-Chair

- **Chair:** Tabitha Hemperly was nominated and approved as Chair.
- **Vice-Chair:** Cayden Knight was nominated and approved as the Vice-Chair.

4. Training on Utah Legislative Code Title 53A Chapter 16 Section 101.5

Discussion on the responsibilities of charter schools in providing clear information about financial operations, performance metrics, and governance structures. Notably, funding for schools is based on government land revenue and student enrollment. The charter school is required to:

- Establish a school council
- Identify critical academic needs
- Implementing the approved plan

5. Human Sexuality Education Curriculum

The curriculum applies only to the 8th-grade health class and 5th-grade maturation program, requiring student opt-in with a form sent home. Parents have options to review materials and can opt out of any section. A presentation was given by Keli Brotherson, MWMA's health teacher regarding the curriculum.

A motion was made to include all topics described in the presentation in the health code via email after the meeting. All in attendance replied to the email in the affirmative.

6. MWMA Land Trust Funds History & Current Allocation

Discussion on fund allocation increasing each year beginning at \$44K to \$70K this year. Funds are allocated based on enrollment. Spending must be connected to improving student proficiency in literacy or mathematics. Angie suggested using funds for interventionists' salaries. Additional uses of funds include Montessori training for teachers.

7. Digital Citizenship & Safety

This topic was briefly review with some discussion on AI in education.

8. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 6:45 PM.

Next Meeting: In February, the exact date TBA.