



Lowcountry Montessori School

Monthly Board meeting

School Board Meeting

Published on March 1, 2023 at 11:34 AM EST
Amended on March 1, 2023 at 11:39 AM EST

Date and Time

Thursday March 2, 2023 at 5:30 PM EST

Location

Lowcountry Montessori School

The mission of Lowcountry Montessori School is to provide an authentic Montessori education building a foundation for lifelong learning.

Agenda

	Purpose	Presenter	Time
I. Opening Items			5:30 PM
Opening Items			
A. Determination of Quorum		Gregory Alexander	1 m
B. Call the Meeting to Order		Gregory Alexander	1 m
C. Reading of the Mission Statement		Gregory Alexander	5 m
1 Read Mission Statement			

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2 Pledge of Allegiance			
D. Approval of Agenda	Vote	Gregory Alexander	1 m
E. Statement of Compliance with FOIA		Gregory Alexander	1 m
II. Consent Agenda			5:39 PM
A. Approve minutes from 01/26/2023 Regular board meeting.	Approve Minutes	Gregory Alexander	5 m
01/26/23 approval of minutes			
III. Public Comment			5:44 PM
A. Public comment period, limited to 3 minutes per person.	FYI		10 m
(No title)			
Thursday, March 2 · 5:30 – 6:30pm			
Google Meet joining info			
Video call link: https://meet.google.com/smi-gvdy-rhj			
Or dial: (US) +1 513-480-5035 PIN: 389 173 104#			
IV. Director's Report			5:54 PM
A. February Update	FYI	Amy Horn	10 m
V. Committee Reports			6:04 PM
A. Finance Report	Discuss	Prestige Accountant	20 m
Finance update			
B. Governance	Discuss	Gregory Alexander	10 m
1.Discuss Board retreat .			
C. Facilities	FYI	Martha Watkins	10 m
Update on facilities.			
VI. New Business			6:44 PM
A. Vote on Finacial placement.	Vote	Amy Horn	5 m

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Vote on putting money in an interest-bearing account.			

VII. Executive Session 6:49 PM

A. Executive Session	Discuss		30 m
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This session held in accordance with SC Code of Law, Title 30, Chapter 4, meaning it pertains to one or more of the following types of discussions:

- Section 30-4-70(a)(1) Discussion of employment, appointment, compensation, promotion, demotion, discipline, or release of an employee, a student, or a person regulated by a public body or the appointment of a person to a public body.
- Section 30-4-70(a)(2) Discussion of negotiations incident to proposed contractual arrangements and proposed sale or purchase of property, the receipt of legal advice where the legal advice relates to a pending, threatened, or potential claim or other matters covered by the attorney-client privilege, settlement of legal claims, or the position of the public agency in other adversary situations involving the assertion against the agency of a claim.

VIII. Other Business 7:19 PM

A. Vote on matters from Executive Session, if required	Vote	Gregory Alexander	5 m
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IX. Closing Items 7:24 PM

A. Adjourn Meeting	Vote	Gregory Alexander	2 m
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Coversheet

Call the Meeting to Order

Section: I. Opening Items
Item: B. Call the Meeting to Order
Purpose: FYI
Submitted by:

BACKGROUND:

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Coversheet

February Update

Section: IV. Director's Report
Item: A. February Update
Purpose: FYI
Submitted by:
Related Material: Director's Report to Board 2-2023.docx
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Director's Report

1. Enrollment: 356
2. Personnel:
 - a. We hired Joanna McKnight for the Math Interventionist position. We are excited to have her join our school community.
3. Architect/New Building Update:
 - a. We are hoping to close on the USDA loan Friday or next week. We have been going over the contract with our attorney, Raymond James and the West Town Bank attorney.
4. Conversations with District/Montessori trainers:

None
5. No litigation pertaining to our school.
6. Student injuries:
 - a. None
7. LMS items pertaining to management
 - a. None
8. Academic results/progress:
9. One of our eleven Seniors received a full ride scholarship to the University of Alabama. We have had several seniors commit to colleges, including Belmont University, University of South Carolina, Santa Fe College, and Eckerd College. College Acceptances include all of the above, plus the Citadel, TCL, TCL Culinary, College of Charleston, Clemson and App State.
- 10 Highlights:

Sarah Fox and Amy Horn presented at Newberry College about how Montessori serves neurodivergent learners and at the MEPI conference on Opening a Public Montessori Charter School. Seven of our staff attended the MEPI conference in Kiawah this past weekend.

Gullah Roots was a spotlight in a movie showing this past week.

We raffled off cash prizes in place of our car raffle. The school raised \$6740 in this fundraiser.

10. Management items for executive session

Non-recurring matters:

None

Main goals to be working on for the next months:

1. Getting together a plan for construction.
2. Working on budget for next year.
3. Hiring for next year.
4. Getting letters of intent to staff.

Incident Management Summary - Count Breakout By Code

Filter Options

Pause School: Lowcountry Montessori School

Code Type: BEHAV/ROCODE

Date Range: 2/1/2023 - 2/28/2023

Category	Sub-Category	Total	Gender		Grade Level												Ethnicity								
			F	M	K	01	02	03	04	05	06	07	08	09	10	11	12	A	B	H	I	M	P	W	
003 Bite/Prick/Spit*	003 Bite/Prick/Spit*	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
009 Fighting*	009 Fighting*	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
014 Hit/Kick/Push*	014 Hit/Kick/Push*	2	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
016 Inappropriate Language*	016 Inappropriate Language*	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
017 Inappropriate Behavior*	017 Inappropriate Behavior*	6	3	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6
028 Throwing Objects*	028 Throwing Objects*	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
151 Truant*	151 Truant*	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
190 Cheating*	190 Cheating*	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
230 Tobacco Violation*	Vaping Products*	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
789 Weapon (Specify Object)*	789 Weapon (Specify Object)*	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1

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Coversheet

Facilities

Section: V. Committee Reports
Item: C. Facilities
Purpose: FYI
Submitted by:
Related Material: Facilities Report 2_17_2023.pdf

Facilities Report 2/16/2023

Summer Projects

I am beginning to make my list for the work that will need to be completed this summer. I will start to get quotes for the work that will need to be done and hopefully have them ready for the next board meeting.

Plumbing

I reached out to Moen about replacement parts for the bathroom faucets. They are out of warranty, but I did manage to get them to send us half of all the faucets for free. We are going to begin replacing all the kitchen faucets over the minibreak.

Playground:

The hill is almost complete. We hope to have it finished when we come back from our minibreak.