



Lowcountry Montessori School

Minutes

Board Meeting

Date and Time

Thursday September 28, 2017 at 6:30 PM

Location

749 Broad River Drive, Beaufort, SC 29906

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

The Board welcomes public comments but gently reminds that this is not a question-and-answer period. Comments should be limited to no more than three minutes per person.

Directors Present

A. Moody, C. Lucas, D. Fent, D. Pickett, I. Deysach, K. Wiley, M. Altice, P. Chester, S. Webb, S. Wiggins

Directors Absent

None

Guests Present

A. Horn, C. Heyward, David King, Gina Zuberbier, M. Zappia, Rhonda Crosby, S. Fox

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance and Guests

B. Call the Meeting to Order

S. Wiggins called a meeting of the board of directors of Lowcountry Montessori School to order on Thursday Sep 28, 2017 at 6:32 PM.

C. Reading of Mission Statement

D. Approval of Agenda

P. Chester made a motion to approve.

K. Wiley seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

E. Statement of Compliance with FOIA

F. Approve Minutes from July 27, 2017 and August 24, 2017

K. Wiley made a motion to approve minutes.

M. Altice seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

II. Director's Report

A. Director's Report

- Delaying high school admittance based on credit needs
- preparing for raise the room project and researching construction numbers and needs

III. Governance Committee Report

A. Governance Committee Report

slate of 4 candidates

IV. Academic Excellence Committee Report

A. Academic Excellence Committee Report

- making adjustments to charter
 - adjusting and setting goals
 - will be able to submit all amendments in January to state for review and approval
- amendments 1st reading in October

V. Finance Committee Report

A.

Finance Committee Report

David from Accounting Firm in attendance.

- nothing that is problematic that stands out.
- everything seems to be tracking
- may have funding adjustment based on student numbers
- beginning October Board will receive financials the Friday prior to meeting

B. Vote on budget amendments as needed

I. Deysach made a motion to to accept.

A. Moody seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

VI. Facilities Committee Report

A. Facilities Committee Report

playground:

- stumps taken care of.
- advertising in daily news and FB and web site in exchange for contractor services - defer to fundraising committee
- some Equipment purchased

emergency preparedness protocol:

Community Outreach in an effort to alleviate issues in community caused by traffic issues

- wait till it is more of a hot topic, so there is more impact. There doesn't seem to be a need, but offer has been made.

Concerns: Logistics of the gym area

- fundraising for something that is currently undefinable - fear issue with families/patrons committee willing to help with this.
- What can we do to help to facilitate the project?
- careful what we call the building (gym, multipurpose building, etc)
- insure we include safety considerations, such as sprinklers for fire.

Gym building project:

- Met with Richard Jennings (builds metal warehouse type buildings. waiting on budget.
- put together a working plan for the various phases of the covered area to gym building.
- fundraising goal is \$100,000.00 for 2017/18 year. in addition to \$30,000.00

VII. Board Recruitment and Succession

A. Discussion of Board candidates up for election

Disclosure: Sara is previous employee for P. Chester

B. Vote on new board members

S. Wiggins made a motion to motion to accept all 4 candidates for election, P. Chester abstained as a running candidate.

M. Altice seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

VIII. Public Comments

A. Public Comments

None

IX. Other Business

A. Old Business

None

B. New Business

None

X. Closing Items

A. Adjourn Meeting

Motion to leave exec Kim, 2nd Doug , all 8:26

M. Altice made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

D. Pickett seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 7:30 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

S. Wiggins