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# Lowcountry Montessori School

## Minutes

### March LMS Board Meeting - RESCHEDULED

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#### Date and Time

Thursday March 15, 2018 at 6:30 PM

#### Location

749 Broad River Dr., Beaufort, SC 29906

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

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#### Directors Present

C. Lucas, D. Fent, D. Pickett, P. Chester, S. Lemstrom

#### Directors Absent

A. Moody, C. Blumenstein, I. Deysach, K. Wiley, S. Wiggins

#### Guests Present

A. Horn, C. Heyward, M. Zappia, S. Fox

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### I. Opening Items

#### A. Record Attendance and Guests

#### B. Call the Meeting to Order

D. Pickett called a meeting of the board of directors of Lowcountry Montessori School to order on Thursday Mar 15, 2018 at 6:38 PM.

**C. Reading of Mission Statement**

Done.

**D. Approval of Agenda**

P. Chester made a motion to Approve agenda.

D. Fent seconded the motion.

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

**E. Statement of Compliance with FOIA**

Done

**F. Approval of Minutes from Previous Meeting**

D. Fent made a motion to approve minutes February LMS Board Meeting on 02-22-18.

S. Lemstrom seconded the motion.

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

**II. Recognition of Student Achievements**

**A. Recognition**

High school students are attending MMUN now. Sarah Webb and Chloe McElveen and Rhonda are with them.

**III. Public Comment**

**A. Public comment period, limited to 3 minutes per person.**

None

**IV. Director's Report**

**A. February update.**

Jason Griffis has been hired as the new middle school teacher. He has experience and is Montessori trained.

Mary Franklin will be leaving.

Working on re-shaping the middle school to 51 from 75 to better fit (75 seems to be more than can be accomplished for community learning.

Lottery has been completed and wait lists are in place for a number of grades.

## **V. Committee Reports**

### **A. Academic Excellence**

Nothing to report

### **B. Governance**

Nothing to report

### **C. Finance**

Budget numbers have been adjusted and submitted for board approval. Finance committee recommends accepting the financial reports.

D. Fent made a motion to Approve the admendments to the budget and accept financial statements through February 2018.

P. Chester seconded the motion.

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

### **D. Fundraising**

Doug thanked the board for commitments.

RtR update: A couple more vendors have been secured. Working on advertising, food, drinks, bands and student performances. The committee is meeting every two weeks.

P. Chester made a motion to spend \$800 of board discretionary fund for playground project.

D. Fent seconded the motion.

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

### **E. Facilities**

No major updates on gym project.

Discussed playground installation process. Identified a 10 step process and began some steps of that process. Matt to present a site plan proposal at the next facilities committee meeting.

Short discussion of metalsmithing class/classroom/equipment shed needs, referred back to administration.

## **VI. New Business**

**A. Replacing Alex as president**

**B. Vote to approved hotel expenditure for high Washington, DC trip**

P. Chester made a motion to Approve the expenditure of \$11,640.80 as requested by administration.

S. Lemstrom seconded the motion.

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

**C. Vote to Elect President and Vice President**

P. Chester made a motion to formally approve Dwayne Pickett as president and table vice-president election to April meeting.

S. Lemstrom seconded the motion.

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

**VII. Executive Session**

**A. Executive Session**

P. Chester made a motion to move to executive session.

D. Pickett seconded the motion.

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

P. Chester made a motion to exit executive session, no action needed, no votes taken.

D. Pickett seconded the motion.

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

**VIII. Closing Items**

**A. Adjourn Meeting**

D. Pickett made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

P. Chester 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 8:00 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
C. Lucas