



Lowcountry Montessori School

Minutes

Special Board Meeting

Date and Time Monday April 6, 2020 at 9:30 AM

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

Directors Present

C. Lucas (remote), D. Fent (remote), G. Alexander (remote), J. Dameworth (remote), K. Recchia (remote), P. Chester (remote), S. Lemstrom (remote), T. Vande Burgt (remote)

Directors Absent

A. Moody

Guests Present

A. Horn (remote), M. Zappia, Michael Kirby, S. Fox

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance and Guests

B. Call the Meeting to Order

S. Lemstrom called a meeting of the board of directors of Lowcountry Montessori School to order on Monday Apr 6, 2020 at 9:30 AM.

Reading of the Mission Statement

D. Approval of Agenda

- T. Vande Burgt made a motion to approve the agenda.
- P. Chester seconded the motion.

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

E. Statement of Compliance with FOIA

II. New Business

A. CARES Act Loan

C. Lucas made a motion to table the PPP discussion until after executive session.

K. Recchia seconded the motion.

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

B. COVID-19 Developments

Discussed virtual attendance tracking and grading. Discussed technology availability and needs due to closure. Admin will provide reporting on current laptop availability and student needs. Discussed current usage of school cleaning staff for deep clean. Admin to investigate feasibility of commercial cleaner.

T. Vande Burgt made a motion to support the Guides in continuing to assess students' learning process in an individualized manner, using participation in virtual meetings, Google Classroom participation, and regular student/parent email contact with the Guides as their data points. Guides will decide on promotion and retention based on prior recommendations, individual students' work and their circumstances.

C. Lucas seconded the motion.

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

III. Executive Session

A. Executive Session

- T. Vande Burgt made a motion to enter executive session.
- C. Lucas seconded the motion.

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

- T. Vande Burgt made a motion to leave executive session.
- D. Fent seconded the motion.

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

IV. Other Business

A. Vote on matters from Executive Session, if required

T. Vande Burgt made a motion to move forward with the PPP application. When the funds are received the board will determine the use of the funds.

D. Fent seconded the motion.

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

V. Closing Items

A. Adjourn Meeting

P. Chester made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

C. Lucas 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 11:03 AM.

Respectfully Submitted, S. Lemstrom