



# Lowcountry Montessori School

# Minutes

Board meeting

Date and Time Thursday August 24, 2023 at 5:30 PM

# Location

Lowcountry Montessori School

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

# **Directors Present**

A. Wright, C. Garnes, C. Rentz, G. Alexander, J. Dameworth, J. Ephland, J. Iszkula, J. Poole, L. Young (remote)

Directors Absent

**Guests Present** A. Horn, April Bell, B. Shaffer, M. Watkins, Rose Beck, S. Fox, Shane Vohn

# I. Opening Items

- A. Record Attendance and Guests
- B. Call the Meeting to Order

G. Alexander called a meeting of the board of directors of Lowcountry Montessori School to order on Thursday Aug 24, 2023 at 5:34 PM.

#### C. Reading of the Mission Statement

# D. Approval of Agenda

E. Statement of Compliance with FOIA

# II. Consent Agenda

#### A. Approve minutes from 7/27/2023 regular board meeting.

J. Poole made a motion to approve the minutes from Board meeting on 07-27-23.

J. Ephland seconded the motion.

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

# **III. Director's Report**

# A. August Update

See Director's Report

#### **IV. Committee Reports**

#### A. Finance Report

See Financial Statements

# B. Governance

#### C. Facilities

#### V. New Business

# A. ESSER 3 Public Comment

Amendment described by Amy Horn. Let public know that ESSER III was amended to say:

Salary and benefits for Music/Theater and Culinary position for , 2023-24. Research shows that art education improves overall education for students. This is a 2.0 position. Existing activity.

Public was allowed to respond. No response.

# B. Discussion of Strategic planning

C. Meeting Changes

Move Elections to after Executive Session

- L. Young made a motion to Move elections to After Executive Session.
- J. Ephland seconded the motion.

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

#### D. Charter rewrite

#### **VI. Executive Session**

# A. Executive Session

- J. Iszkula made a motion to Go into Executive Session.
- J. Ephland seconded the motion.

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

- J. Poole made a motion to Out of Executive Session.
- J. Ephland seconded the motion.

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

#### VII. Closing Items

# A. Adjourn Meeting

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 8:08 PM.

Respectfully Submitted, L. Young