



# Sankofa Montessori

## Full Board Meeting

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### Date and Time

Wednesday January 31, 2024 at 6:30 PM EST

### Location

Please go to [zoom.com](https://zoom.com) and join meeting.

ID to join: 601 495 1069

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Through a culturally responsive, child and family-centered Montessori education, Sankofa Montessori ensures that all of our students develop the knowledge, skill, and agency to have a life of purpose.

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### Agenda

	Purpose	Presenter	Time
<b>I. Opening Items</b>			<b>6:30 PM</b>
A. Record Attendance		Adrienne Nash	1 m
B. Call the Meeting to Order		Kimberly Karacalidis	1 m
C. Approve Previous Meeting Minutes	Vote	Kimberly Karacalidis	5 m
<b>II. Committee Meeting Updates</b>			<b>6:37 PM</b>
A. Academic Committee	FYI	Andrea Allen-Thames	10 m

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Testing Update			
<b>B.</b> Finance Committee Budget Review	FYI	Gregory Edward	10 m
<b>C.</b> Facilities Task Force	Vote	Fawn Sheffield	10 m
<b>III. Executive Director's Corner</b>			<b>7:07 PM</b>
<b>A.</b> Updates <b>Hiring Updates</b>  <b>Personnel Updates</b>  <b>Monitoring Results Findings</b>  <b>Enrollment</b>  <b>General Updates</b> --High-risk monitoring --Submitted CSP application --Retention Supplements  <b>To review to prepare for vote in February:</b> Re-vote on Bylaws Board Policies Employee Handbook Fiscal Policies *All of these policies will be reviewed during committee meetings first	Discuss	Sarah Harvey	45 m
<b>IV. Board Vote</b>			<b>7:52 PM</b>
<b>A.</b> Policies  • <a href="#">Calendar</a>	Vote	Kimberly Karacalidis	30 m

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• <u>Handbook (Code of conduct)</u> and <u>general handbook</u> with related policies-changes			

\*Backpacks (changed to students can bring them), added Parents Bill of Rights, birthday celebrations changed to a simple ceremony on Fridays (walk around the sun ceremony to mirror what Montessoris schools typically do. A child brings a picture for each year of their life to do a walk around the sun ceremony, which is all the children sit in a circle and the child walks around the globe to represent the years they are turning. So if a child is turning 6, they will walk around in the globe with their picture 6 times). Changed the duration of the handbook to 26, so we review every 2 years instead of each year, added notice of procedural safeguards required by 34 CFR 300.504

**V. Public Comment**

The Board Chair or Vice Chair will let this section and keep time. Each guest will be given time to speak for 2 minutes. A guest may yield his/her time to someone else.

**VI. Closing Items**

**8:22 PM**

<b>A.</b> Adjourn Meeting	Vote	Kimberly Karacalidis	1 m
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