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# Sankofa Montessori

## Minutes

### Governance Committee Meeting

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#### **Date and Time**

Thursday August 8, 2024 at 10:30 PM

#### **Location**

Meeting ID: 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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#### **Committee Members Present**

A. Nash (remote), E. Moore (remote), K. Karacalidis (remote)

#### **Committee Members Absent**

*None*

#### **Guests Present**

LaDonya Buchanan (remote)

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### **I. Opening Items**

#### **A. Record Attendance**

#### **B. Call the Meeting to Order**

K. Karacalidis called a meeting of the Governance Committee of Sankofa Montessori to order on Thursday Aug 8, 2024 at 10:32 AM.

### **C. Approve Minutes**

E. Moore made a motion to approve the minutes from June Governance Committee Meeting on 06-13-24.

A. Nash seconded the motion.

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

## **II. Quick Hits**

### **A. Board Retreat Agenda Brainstorm**

Gregg Stevens wants to attend retreat and record-needs at least 45 minutes

Fawn has a presenter from the architect firm

Team builder needed

State check marks-how are we progressing and what steps towards improvement do we need to make (dashboard/scorecard)

- Reviewing charter contract

- Break out into groups

- Bylaws-review and discuss updates if needed

### **B. Executive Director Evaluation**

Need LKEs training

Still need to complete evaluation-Kim and Errika will collaborate for training and to complete the evaluation for this year

Have to find alternative to complete evaluation for this year because additional training needed on the evaluation platform LKEs

## **III. Executive Director's Corner**

### **A. Updates**

SCSC monitoring coming up-hoping to have fewer findings than last year

Federal programs monitoring this year-happens every 5 years, next one will not be until after renewal

Errika: How can we help?

Sarah needs completed SCSC governance training verification for each Board member. Errika volunteered to coordinate with Board members to get information to Sarah. She needs it no later than the 13th.

About a 1/3 of student population has an IEP

Hiring an additional special education teacher to make sure Sankofa can meet student needs

Need to meet with Finance Committee to make sure new hiring can work with budget

#### **IV. Closing Items**

##### **A. Next Steps**

No next steps at this time.

##### **B. Adjourn Meeting**

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 11:01 AM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
K. Karacalidis