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Mundo Verde Bilingual Public Charter School

Minutes

May 15 Board Meeting

Date and Time

Thursday May 15, 2025 at 6:30 PM

Virtual Meeting Details

Board Members should have received an invitation from Zoom <no-reply@zoom.us> as a panelist for the meeting!

Should you not have that invitation, please use this link to enter the meeting

https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_RwbaeSY2SNuf0X2-zPEv0A

Trustees Present

Anneliese Gegenheimer (remote), Deidra Bailey (remote), Edward Pauls (remote), John Mahaffie (remote), Katie Cole (remote), Rashida Young (remote), Tom Clark (remote)

Trustees Absent

Peling Li, Roman Goldstein

Guests Present

Caitlin Campbell Hahn (remote), Kenli Okada (remote), Shalini Shybut (remote)

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance

B. Call the Meeting to Order

Edward Pauls called a meeting of the board of trustees of Mundo Verde Bilingual Public Charter School to order on Thursday May 15, 2025 at 6:31 PM.

C. Approve Minutes - February 20, 2025

Katie Cole made a motion to approve the minutes from February 20 Board Meeting on 02-20-25.

John Mahaffie seconded the motion.

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

Roll Call

Katie Cole	Aye
Deidra Bailey	Aye
Edward Pauls	Aye
John Mahaffie	Aye
Anneliese Gegenheimer	Aye
Peling Li	Absent
Roman Goldstein	Absent
Rashida Young	Aye

II. School Report

A. Honor a Member of the Community

The Executive Director took a moment to honor the life of Mr. Patrick, a beloved second grade special educator at Mundo Verde.

B. Celebrations

The Executive Director highlighted the Calle Ocho Bicibús, which recently earned an award from the DC Department of Transportation. Both Mundo Verde campuses also recently earned recognition for achieving at least 95% compliance on immunizations. She also previewed some upcoming school-wide events that board members are invited to attend.

C. ED Report

The Executive Director shared the following updates:

- The team has made two very strong hires for the roles of Chief Academic Officer and Chief of People and Culture;

- Strategic planning is moving along well, with stakeholder engagement wrapping up; we have formed a Steering Committee and Bellwether will share a draft of the school needs assessment in the June board meeting;
- Recruitment for SY25-26 is trending above last year at this point in time, and we are on track to exceed our enrollment target this fall;
- The school community has really showed up for staff and families in the past few weeks, for which we are very grateful

The Interim CFO presented on the draft FY26 budget, including "budget tightening factors" that are decreasing revenue or increasing costs and "budget alleviating factors" that are increasing revenue.

III. Committee Reports

A. Academic Committee

The Director of Student Services shared an update on how we have improved timeliness of compliance around special education over the past three school years. Rashida Young shared the May committee report, which included data on students who exit the EL designation and teacher retention.

B. Internal Committee Report

Anneliese Gegenheimer shared the Internal Committee report. In the last meeting the Internal Committee discussed enrollment, facilities updates (demolition has started, with substantial completion expected in spring 2026), and the FY26 budget.

C. Governance Committee

John Mahaffie shared the Governance Committee update. The committee is recommending the board vote tonight to approve two new board members:

- Tom Clark
- Shavonne Gibson

Deidra Bailey made a motion to approve Tom Clark and Shavonne Gibson as new Mundo Verde board members.

Anneliese Gegenheimer seconded the motion.

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

Roll Call

Anneliese Gegenheimer	Aye
Katie Cole	Aye
Deidra Bailey	Aye
Roman Goldstein	Absent
Rashida Young	Aye
Edward Pauls	Aye
Peling Li	Absent

Roll Call

John Mahaffie Aye

John Mahaffie shared that the committee has received 15 applications from caregivers to serve on the board, and will be interviewing candidates in the coming weeks. Katie Cole shared that we hope to add members until we are closer to 13 total board members.

IV. Executive / All Committees Non Voting (Closed Session per the DC Open Meetings Act 2-575(B)(10) (Per

A. Enter Executive Session

John Mahaffie made a motion to move to executive session per the DC Open Meetings Act (DC Code 2-575(B)(10).

Deidra Bailey seconded the motion.

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

Roll Call

Anneliese Gegenheimer Aye

Deidra Bailey Aye

John Mahaffie Aye

Peling Li Absent

Roman Goldstein Absent

Tom Clark Aye

Edward Pauls Aye

Katie Cole Aye

Rashida Young Aye

B. Executive Session

The board moved into executive session at 7:56pm.

C. Exit Executive Session

The board returned from executive session at 8:39pm.

V. Closing Items

A. Adjourn Meeting

Katie Cole made a motion to adjourn the May 15th board meeting.

Tom Clark seconded the motion.

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

Roll Call

John Mahaffie Aye

Rashida Young Aye

Katie Cole Aye

Roman Goldstein Absent

Peling Li Absent

Roll Call

Anneliese Gegenheimer Aye
Edward Pauls Aye
Tom Clark Aye
Deidra Bailey Aye

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 8:40 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Caitlin Campbell Hahn

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