



Urban Montessori Charter School

Regular Board Meeting

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Date and Time

Thursday February 23, 2023 at 5:30 PM PST

Location

4551 Steele Street, Oakland, CA 94619. Signage on campus will direct you to the correct room, generally the Sun Room.

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Members: Kara Fortuna, Greg Klein, Sarah Morrill, Ann Rhodes, Donald Williams

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Agenda

	Purpose	Presenter	Time
I. Opening Items			5:30 PM
A. Call the Meeting to Order		Donald Williams	1 m
This meeting is being audio-recorded.			
B. Record Attendance		Greg Klein	1 m
C. Review of Action/Discussion Items	Discuss	Donald Williams	1 m
With input from the board, the Chair may decide, based upon a number of factors, to reorder the action/discussion items to best suit the needs of the meeting. No additional action/discussion items will be added at this time.			
D. Board and Community Appreciations		Sarah Morrill	10 m
Members of the Board and UMCS community may provide appreciations and affirmations during this time. In particular this month we recognize and appreciate Davis Leung's four years of volunteer service to the Board.			
E. Board Member Comment		Donald Williams	5 m

Any board member wishing to speak to an issue regarding UMCS that does not pertain to an agenda item may do so at this time. No further discussion or action will take place following each board member's comments.

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F. Presentations from the Floor		Donald Williams	10 m

PRESENTATIONS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS – Any person wishing to speak to any item not on the agenda will be granted three minutes to make a presentation. Speakers requiring translation shall have double time. Comments should refer to matters within the jurisdiction of this committee.

“What if [we] listened to others so deeply that they felt loved, accepted, and safe in [our] presence, no matter what they had to say?” -- Steve Shapiro, Author

II. Head of School Report **5:58 PM**

The Head of School and their designees will present topics of interest to the Board and the general public.

A. Head of School Report	Discuss	Daniel Bissonnette	15 m
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Report topics this meeting **may** include:

1. Recent and upcoming events
2. Professional Development
3. Staffing Update
4. Enrollment and Application Updates
5. [LCAP updates](#)

B. Discuss and Vote on 2023-2024 School Calendar	Vote	Daniel Bissonnette	5 m
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Discussion on the [2023-2024 School Calendar](#). If ready, the Board may vote on the full calendar, or perhaps only First/Last Days of School for students.

III. Finance Committee **6:18 PM**

A. Discussion Item - Committee Report, including year to date financial report	Discuss	Greg Klein	5 m
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Most recent year-to-date financial report through January 31, 2023 is available here attached to the agenda or in the "Other files" section of this meeting.

B. Contract above \$15,000 to Edgility Consulting on Compensation Review	Vote	Greg Klein	5 m
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Discuss and vote on contract with Edgility Consulting for full and comprehensive compensation review, plan creation, and implementation support.

IV. Academic Oversight Committee **6:28 PM**

A. Discussion Item - Committee Report	Discuss	Kara Fortuna	5 m
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	Purpose	Presenter	Time
V. Family Advisory Council			6:33 PM

A. Discussion Item - Committee Report	Discuss	Kara Fortuna	5 m
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VI. Executive & Governance Committee			6:38 PM
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A. Discussion Item: Committee Updates, including candidates for board service, Form 700, and training	Discuss	Sarah Morrill	10 m
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Draft committee metrics aligned to ABAR Goal

Reviewing Board Job Description

Regular reminders:

- [Form 700](#)
- Board member recruitment
- Board Clearance process

B. Board and Committee Officers and Members	Vote	Sarah Morrill	5 m
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As needed, the Board may take action to change its officers, as well as committee membership and leadership.

Current and archival information is [here](#).

C. Discussion of School Agreements & Article		Sarah Morrill	15 m
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What were take aways or reactions?

How do you think these agreements could support moving away from this culture?

What implications could this have for our work as a board?

VII. Other Business			7:08 PM
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A. Oakland and California Updates	Discuss	Greg Klein	5 m
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Updates and current events related to Oakland USD, Alameda County Office of Education, and California, and potential implications for UMCS.

B. Approve Minutes from January 26, 2023 Regular Meeting	Approve Minutes	Greg Klein	1 m
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	Purpose	Presenter	Time
C. California Commission on Teacher Credentialing	Vote	Greg Klein	5 m
Declaration of Need for Fully Qualified Educators			
D. Action Item - Vote on General Consent Report	Vote	Sarah Morrill	3 m
General Consent Report for February 23, 2023			

1. [UMCS School Safety Plan](#)
2. UMCS Safe Return to In-Person Instruction (required six month review)
3. Contract with Public Montessori in Action for 2023-2024 school year

[items may be linked directly here in the agenda or under "Other files" of this meeting on BoardOnTrack.]

E. Collect New Business items for Future Meetings	Discuss	Sarah Morrill	5 m
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VIII. Closed Session 7:27 PM

A. Closed Session Items	Discuss	Sarah Morrill	15 m
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1. Public Employee Performance Evaluation - Head of School

"Closed Session" is always agendized ahead of time as a "Discuss" item. If any votes are taken during any Closed Session, those are reported out publicly upon return to Open Session.

IX. Return to Open Session 7:42 PM

A. Report out of any closed session action(s)	Vote	Sarah Morrill	1 m
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X. Closing Items 7:43 PM

A. Adjourn Meeting	FYI	Sarah Morrill	2 m
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