



# Urban Montessori Charter School

## **Minutes**

# **Executive & Governance Committee Regular Meeting**

## **Date and Time**

Monday October 5, 2020 at 1:15 PM

#### Location

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Members: Christina Greenberg (Chair), Greg Klein, Davis Leung

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#### **Committee Members Present**

C. Greenberg (remote), D. Leung (remote), G. Klein (remote)

#### **Committee Members Absent**

None

## **Guests Present**

K. Feeney (remote)

## I. Opening Items

### A. Call the Meeting to Order

C. Greenberg called a meeting of the Executive and Governance Committee of Urban Montessori Charter School to order on Monday Oct 5, 2020 at 1:19 PM.

#### B. Record Attendance

C.

# Approve Minutes from August 10, 2020 Executive & Governance Committee Meeting.

- G. Klein made a motion to approve the minutes from 09-14-2020 Executive & Governance Committee Regular Meeting on 09-14-20.
- D. Leung seconded the motion.

The agenda had the previous meeting date erroneously. -- the August minutes were already approved. We discussed approving the September minutes.

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

#### **Roll Call**

G. Klein Aye

D. Leung Aye

C. Greenberg Aye

K. Feeney Abstain

#### D. Review of Action/Discussion Items

No changes needed.

## E. Presentations from the Floor

No public comment.

#### II. Executive and Governance

## A. BoardOnTrack & Board Training and Development

Christina shared about the work to date to share the Board Assessment. Christina will share back out the Board Assessment, the approved Board Book, and the Bylaws to Board members. Christina suggested doing 1:1s with Board members to continue answering questions, as the Board Assessment showed some folks wanting more info about "job description" -- which we have and Christina will share when she re-shares the Board Assessment report itself.

The committee reviewed the current Board "Skills Assessment" and end of term dates to start thinking about Board membership recruitment.

For HoS evaluation tools, Christina will remind the Board to review the Memo and Report. Plan to review with full Board in October, and only after any action taken to accept the Memo, would this Committee then review with the HoS, which in turn launches the next cycle.

The Executive Committee discussed how they have supported the formal Board Finance and Academic committees and wondered if there was any role and need for Executive Committee to support the FAC also.

Our other work coming out of the Board Assessment include "Short and Long Term 'Succession' Planning", which is the next item on this agenda.

No public comment.

## **B.** Discuss Succession Planning

Short term succession planning would be in the case Krishna needed to be out and fully away from school for a temporary/short-term amount of time. The Committee discussed Mr. Daniel being a strong option as the right person to step into the full HoS role temporally, and lead on communications. The committee discussed that doing a small contract with a retired or former public school administrator for specific tasks would likely be an option. For example, Board support may be sufficient in Special Education but could contract if needed more help right away. Board may be more likely to support keeping an on County deliverables and supporting Operations to complete as needed. Committee members will connect with such possible administrator contractors to see about informally lining up support so that more pieces are put in place and so that it's not during the temporary absence that this conversation first occurs -- trying to scenario plan particularly given COVID-19. Krishna will speak more with Daniel and engage with Staff and bring back their ideas thoughts to be incorporated into the scenario plan.

The committee tabled hypothetical Long Term succession planning for a future meeting.

No public comment.

## C. Review Board Calendar by Topic

Davis commented that Finance and Executive's work seem pretty settled. Some changes may be needed to calendar of topics of Academic as it supports towards renewal.

No public comment.

## **III. Closed Session**

## A. Public Employee Performance Evaluation - Head of School

Christina announced going into closed session on Public Employee Performance Evaluation - Head of School at 2:25pm.

Krishna stepped out at 2:45pm.

## B. Report out of Closed Session

## IV. 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 2:59 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

C. Greenberg

## Documents used during the meeting

None

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