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Urban Montessori Charter School

Minutes

Finance Committee Meeting

Date and Time

Thursday March 18, 2021 at 3:00 PM

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Members: Stacey Wang (Chair), Greg Klein, Davis Leung

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Committee Members Present

D. Leung (remote), G. Klein (remote), S. Wang

Committee Members Absent

None

Committee Members who arrived after the meeting opened

D. Leung, S. Wang

Committee Members who left before the meeting adjourned

D. Leung

Guests Present

A. Rodriguez (remote), K. Feeney (remote)

I. Opening Items

A.

Call the Meeting to Order

D. Leung called a meeting of the Finance Committee of Urban Montessori Charter School to order on Thursday Mar 18, 2021 at 3:02 PM.

B. Record Attendance

C. Approve Minutes from February 18, 2021 Finance Committee Meeting

D. Leung made a motion to approve the minutes from February 18, 2021 Finance Committee Meeting on 02-18-21.

G. Klein seconded the motion.

No questions or comments, or public comment.

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

Roll Call

D. Leung Aye

S. Wang Absent

G. Klein Aye

D. Review of Action/Discussion Items

No changes needed.

E. Presentations from the Floor

There were no public comments on non-agendized items.

II. Finance

A. Discussion Item: School Reopening and Funding

S. Wang arrived at 3:04 PM.

Krishna shared that we are unlikely to get full SB/AB 86 funding based on calendar dates required to be reopen in-person for more students. Krishna is moving work forward as fast as is reasonable, but the goal is not simply to maximize our access to funding.

Davis asked what that money could be spent towards? Alejandra shared that the Edsource numbers may not be accurate. Still unclear when money would arrive and complete rules for eligible expenses. CDE will be putting out guidance tomorrow or Monday -- more info coming to the full board meeting.

No public comment on this item.

B. Discussion Item: Current Fiscal Year to Date Budget Forecast

Alejandra shared that the forecast didn't change much since last month, from \$95,000 to \$96,000 operating income.

Cash is slightly higher than last month, but not at our three-month goal. Forecast remains positive through the end of the fiscal year, and goes up in July when state starts paying again.

Some state money may need to be repaid: old Prop 39 Energy grant money at prior campus \$50k, and also \$100k of CSFIG money related to prior campus.

Greg asked about new professional development contract and whether or not it was in the current forecast. Krishna shared that it would be paid in next year's budget for next year's work with Public Montessori in Action.

On COVID-related relief funding:

Expanded Learning Opportunities (~\$110,000 expected), and In-Person learning (~\$233,000 expected), both funding sources are AB/SB 86 -- Alejandra shared the spending rules as currently understood. As discussed, these amounts may not as high and the in-person learning dollars depend on our actual future reopening timeline.

ESSER II & ESSER III -- have longer spending timelines. Sept 30th 2023, and 2024.

Alejandra shared an overview from LLM and ESSER I -- funds received and spent. ESSER II, AB/SB 86 (in-person + expanded learning), and ESSER III funds are not in our cash or fund balance forecasts at this time.

On updated draft budget for next year: decreased private grants by \$25k. Added COLA to books and supplies. Complete draft in April, then May revise from the governor, and then approval in June.

Alejandra shared a model of how various annual operating income amounts over the next few years help build up cash-on-hand reserves over different numbers of years.

No public comment on this item.

C. Discussion Item: Enrollment

Krishna shared that first round offers have gone out after our public lottery. Families have until next week to make a decision, and then more offers can go out. On track to meet or exceed our projection but it's hard to know until real kids show up particularly during an on-going pandemic and fluid family dynamics.

No public comment on this item.

D. Leung left at 4:08 PM.

D.

Discussion Item: LCAP

Krishna and Daniel are already working on the annual updates from the prior years. LCAP will have more financial detail controls related to all of the one-time COVID relief funds. Adoption comes in June after a May review and public hearing. Adoptions comes before adopting the budget.

The board discussed contracting for additional capacity to support if needed.

No public comment on this item.

D. Leung arrived at 4:10 PM.

E. Approval: Outdoor Furniture

Krishna recommends the Board authorize her to spend up to \$50,000 in outdoor furniture to support a return to in-person instruction.

Stacey mentioned that it will be important to help everyone understand that such spending would come out of one-time funding related to a safe return to in-person instruction.

The committee agreed with the recommendation. The full Board can discuss and vote on a motion supporting such spending with the understanding that one-time funding is en route, and specific purchase contracts can come back to Board for retro-active approval -- that our Board schedule does not need to slow down our preparations for a return. The committee recognizes that Ms. Krishna needs flexibility to navigate the return, and we can still ultimately maintain transparency on all spending -- we can do both.

No public comment on this item.

III. Closing Items

A. New Business

No new items.

B. Adjourn Meeting

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 4:22 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
S. Wang

Documents used during the meeting

None

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