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## Urban Montessori Charter School

### Minutes

#### Executive & Governance Committee Meeting

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##### Date and Time

Monday March 11, 2024 at 1:15 PM

##### Location

4551 Steele Street, Oakland, CA 94619. Ring the front bell or call/text 510-290-4005 for entry. Signage on campus will direct you to the correct room, generally the Head of School's Office.

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Members: Sarah Morrill (Chair), Greg Klein, Evan Sequoia

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#### **Committee Members Present**

E. Sequoia (remote), G. Klein

#### **Committee Members Absent**

S. Morrill

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### **I. Opening Items**

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

G. Klein called a meeting of the Executive and Governance Committee of Urban Montessori Charter School to order on Monday Mar 11, 2024 at 1:15 PM.

#### **B. Record Attendance**

#### **C. Approve Minutes from prior Executive & Governance Committee Meeting**

E. Sequoia made a motion to approve the minutes from Executive & Governance Committee Meeting on 02-12-24.

G. Klein seconded the motion.

No questions or public comment on this item.

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

#### **Roll Call**

E. Sequoia Aye

G. Klein Aye

S. Morrill Absent

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

No changes needed.

**E. Presentations from the Floor**

No public presentations on items not on the agenda.

**II. Executive and Governance**

**A. Head of School search and selection process**

Daniel Bissonnette has been announced as the incoming Head of School, starting July 1st! The next in that process is for the Board to take up the employment contract as an action item at our next Regular Meeting, which is March 21, 2024.

There were no public comments on this item.

**B. Discuss Proposal for new Investment in Growth and Development Capacity**

Tabled.

**C. Board Membership, Recruitment, and Training**

Greg asked and Evan shared that he has lots of information on training. He is absorbing lots of information. Evan will be signing up for trainings on Brown Act and Conflict of Interest. Greg also shared information about training on how to be a Board's Secretary in case Evan was interested. Greg also recently reminded a board candidate about attending our meetings and encouraging them to volunteer.

No public comments on this item.

**D. Head of School Evaluation Process**

Krishna shared that the Winter listening session still needs be rescheduled. Greg offered to connect with Sarah on getting that rescheduled and also will opening up the survey so that Krishna can begin her self-reflection. Krishna will review and send any updates on information of her direct reports to Greg and Sarah to be included in BoardOnTrack for the evaluation surveys. Greg shared an overview of the Head of School evaluation process for the committee.

No public comments on this item.

**E. Measure G-1**

Krishna gave an overview and history of Measure G-1 and how funds have been approved and used currently and in the past. This was another opportunity for the public to weigh-in and engage on the use of Measure G-1 funds at UMCS.

There were no public comments on this item.

### **III. Updates on School Policies and Required Documents**

#### **A. Review of Board Policies**

The committee discussed three policies. For LCAP, Greg offered a draft Goal 1 with draft metrics. For Bylaws and Board Book, Greg shared that he reviewed and made minor updates. The ask of the committee and Admin is to mark up and Greg will resolve prior to the Board's consideration at the upcoming Board meeting. One area that is in the current Bylaws is that the Board has not been leveraging its ability to appoint alternate committee members who can then be called upon to attend any committee meeting to support with quorum needs. The committee discussed starting to use this existing option.

No public comments on this item.

### **IV. Closed Session**

#### **A. Closed Session Items**

At 1:50p, Greg announced that the committee would go into closed session on two items:  
Public Employee Performance Evaluation - Head of School  
Public Employment - Head of School

There were no public comments on this item.

#### **B. Report out of Closed Session**

At 2:08p, the committee returned to open session. No actions were taken.

### **V. 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 2:08 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
G. Klein

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### **Documents used during the meeting**

*None*

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