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## Urban Montessori Charter School

### Minutes

#### Finance Committee Regular Meeting

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**Date and Time**

Thursday January 18, 2024 at 3:30 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: Greg Klein (Chair), Ann Rhodes

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#### **Committee Members Present**

A. Rhodes (remote), G. Klein

#### **Committee Members Absent**

*None*

#### **Guests Present**

J. Kemp, K. Feeney

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### **I. Opening Items**

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

G. Klein called a meeting of the Finance Committee of Urban Montessori Charter School to order on Thursday Jan 18, 2024 at 3:32 PM.

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

#### **C. Vote on Minutes from prior Finance Committee Meeting**

A. Rhodes made a motion to approve the minutes from Finance Committee Regular Meeting on 11-27-23.

G. Klein seconded the motion.

No questions or public comment on this item.

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

**Roll Call**

A. Rhodes Aye

G. Klein Aye

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

No changes needed.

**E. Presentations from the Floor**

No public comments on items not on the agenda.

**II. Finance**

**A. Discussion Item: Monthly Fiscal Report**

Josh shared the monthly report. The forecasted operating income is now adjusted to approximately \$26,000. The main driver of the most recent adjustment is aligning our most recent ADA to the budget forecast, and pulling out the attendance contingency hedge expense line item.

The ending fund balance is now forecast at just over \$1.6M and 29.1% of expenses. Fundraising is on track for the year, with a new grant expected later in quarter 1. Cash flow forecast remains strong and above three month's worth of expenses.

Josh shared about the 2024-2025 budget adoption cycle timeline, including the Governor's January budget proposal. The Finance committee can expect a full draft budget in April, a revised draft budget in May after the Governor's revise, and then final budget in June, with June approval by the Board.

Currently forecasting a .76% COLA because of current state budget deficit. The state plans to use the rainy day fund so no cuts are projected, but also no new funding is proposed.

No public comments on this item.

**B. Discussion on the 2022-2023 School Accountability Report Card (SARC)**

Krishna shared that this year Daniel is leading the work of readying the SARC for approval. The draft is nearly finished, and Daniel can email it out to the Board prior to next week's board meeting. Most of the information is auto-populated by the State and

then Edtec is supporting Daniel on completing the financial information. The committee discussed placing the SARC's approval on the upcoming General Consent Report.

No public comments on this item.

**C. Head of School Transition discussion**

Greg appreciated Krishna for what will be six years of service as the Head of School. The committee discussed the financial implications of an executive officer search, which can include hiring a search firm, or additional coaching or support may be needed after there is someone in the role. Krishna discussed how she is supporting the administrative and operations teams to build their capacity around the budget, compliance, and Human Resources.

No public comments on this item.

**D. New Business**

Krishna requested that the Board agendaize a Mid Year LCAP update discussion at the upcoming regular board meeting.

**III. Closed Session**

**A. Closed Session Items**

The committee chair tabled this item. The committee did not go into closed session.

**B. Report out of Closed Session**

The committee did not go into 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 4:07 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
G. Klein

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**Documents used during the meeting**

*None*

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