



# MCCPS Board of Trustees

# **Minutes**

# Governance Committee Meeting

### **Date and Time**

Tuesday April 2, 2019 at 7:00 PM

### Location

**MCCPS** 

### **Committee Members Present**

Christopher Riegle, David Moore, Jeanne Smith, Kay O'Dwyer, Paul Baker

### **Committee Members Absent**

Cynthia Canavan, Nichole Thompson, Pam Ferris

### **Guests Present**

Artie Sullivan, Peter Cheney

# I. Opening Items

### A. Record Attendance and Guests

## B. Call the Meeting to Order

Paul Baker called a meeting of the Governance Committee of MCCPS Board of Trustees to order on Tuesday Apr 2, 2019 at 7:16 PM.

## C. Approve Minutes

Paul Baker made a motion to approve minutes from the Governance Committee Meeting on 12-04-18 Governance Committee Meeting on 12-04-18.

Kay O'Dwyer seconded the motion.

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

#### **Roll Call**

Cynthia Canavan Absent
David Moore Aye
Paul Baker Aye
Pam Ferris Absent
Artie Sullivan Abstain
Christopher Riegle Aye
Kay O'Dwyer Aye
Nichole Thompson Absent
Jeanne Smith Aye

### D. Approve minutes

Paul Baker made a motion to approve minutes from the Governance Committee Meeting on 03-12-19 Governance Committee Meeting on 03-12-19.

Kay O'Dwyer seconded the motion.

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

### **Roll Call**

David Moore Aye
Paul Baker Aye
Christopher Riegle Aye
Artie Sullivan Abstain
Cynthia Canavan Absent
Nichole Thompson Absent
Jeanne Smith Aye
Pam Ferris Absent
Kay O'Dwyer Abstain

### II. Governance

## A. Welcome and Information Session for Prospective New Trustees

The Committee welcomed prospective Board of Trustees candidate Peter Cheney. Kay O'Dwyer presented an overview of Board responsibilities and expectations. Mr. Cheney introduced himself to the Committee and a discussion of his background and charter school experience followed. Jen Jewell joined the meeting at 8:08PM. Mr. Cheney asked what MCCP's strategies are for attracting new students. The Committee members named some of the qualities that make MCCPS special such as the value of the five-year program, project based learning, small setting, teaching critical thinking, public speaking, working in groups, community service, MAP goals. The group agreed that consistency in

programming and teacher retention are important. Mr. Cheney expressed an interest in observing the school on a regular day.

**Action Item:** Paul will ask Nichole to reach out to Peter to set up a time for him to come in and observe the school.

## **B.** Board Meeting Update

Paul Baker presented an overview of the March 26, 2019 Board meeting which included a student presentation by members of the MCCPS ADL Program, Strategic Planning update, HOS search update, fundraising update and HOS report.

### III. New section

## A. Next Meeting - Tuesday, May 7th

The next meeting is rescheduled from May 7th to May 14th at 7:00 PM.

## IV. Closing Items

### A. Adjourn Meeting

Artie Sullivan reminded the Committee about the upcoming Charter renewal and asked for guidance from Governance if needed. He will get back to the Committee after the next Charter renewal meeting. He also asked Committee members to review the MCCPS By-laws and submit any updates/comments to the Board.

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 8:38 PM.

Respectfully Submitted, Jeanne Smith