



City Garden Montessori School

Board Meeting

Date and Time

Wednesday April 7, 2021 at 6:30 PM CDT

Via Zoom Webinar:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89785080078?pwd=Y1g4U0htVGYYZ1ZFUjhVMW1yaENSZz09>

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Agenda

I. Opening Items

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A. Call the Meeting to Order

- Welcome and Land Acknowledgement:

We, the community of City Garden Montessori, honor the Illiniwek (Eel-Ly-neh-wehk) people, the original protectors of the lands that we now call St. Louis, MO. We also honor all of the people impacted by the current pandemic in our own community and across the world, and those who have been harmed by racialized violence. Let's now give a respectful and brief moment of silence.

- Acknowledge Board Meeting Agreements

- Create room for all voices and actively listen
- Acknowledge, affirm, and respect the ideas of other board members

- Ask questions, and do not shy away from challenging ones
- Use language that is grounded in ABAR
- Keep the children at the center of every decision

B. Record Attendance and Guests

C. Mission Statement

City Garden exists to redefine education by developing the whole child in an excellent, inclusive, Montessori school; to reimagine community by creating spaces and systems that help to restore our collective humanity; and to reinvigorate our world by creating a culture in which individuals and communities thrive without disparities or barriers to success.

D. Introductions and Public Comment

E. Kumon Presentation

Fatema Rangwala from Kumon will be joining us.

II. Action Items

A. Approve Minutes from the February 2021 Meeting

B. Approve Minutes from the March 17 Special Board Meeting

C. January Financials

D. February Financials

E. Approval of Expenditures Over \$5,000

- Southside proposal
- Tom Berry
- Hope Montessori tuition for 6 staff members
- Chromebook Purchase (30)

F. Board Goals Dashboard

III. Information Items

A. New Policies Review

These are newly drafted required, and other necessary policies, which have been reviewed and are recommended by the Governance Committee for the board's approval. If you have any questions or comments about a policy, please send an email to debra@citygardenschool.org.

You may access the policies at this [LINK](#).

B. Building Update

- Closing and financing update
- Construction progress update

C. CEO Report

- Bloom Anew Fundraiser
- Capital Campaign
- Update Regarding Preparations for Growth and Admissions Update
- St. Louis School Leaders Collaborative

D. Board Chair Report

- Design Team report/ update
- Retreat in June
- Planning for 2021-22

IV. Final Items

A. Questions and Comments

B. Reflection: Meeting Agreement

C. Included in Packet as Reading Materials

- Development Donation Summary
- February committee meeting minutes
 - Building and Grounds
 - Finance
- March committee meeting minutes

- Development
- Finance
- Governance

V. Upcoming Events and Initiatives

A. Upcoming Board/Committee Meetings

Board and Committee Meetings (All virtual via Zoom until further notice):

April

4/6 Academic Excellence Committee, 3:00 PM

4/7 **Board of Directors Meeting**, 6:30 PM

4/13 Governance Committee, 8:30 AM

4/14 Development Committee, 5:30 PM **CANCELED**

4/15 Building and Grounds Committee, 9:00 AM

4/21 Finance Committee, 5:30 PM

4/21-22 Bloom Anew (24 hours), **Virtual Celebration Event 4/22 – 6:30 to 8:00 PM**

May

5/4 Academic Excellence Committee, 3:00 PM

5/5 (1st. Wed), **Board of Directors Meeting**, 6:30 PM

5/11 Governance Committee, 8:30 AM

5/12 Development Committee, 5:30 PM

5/19 Finance Committee, 5:30 PM

5/20 Building and Grounds Committee, 9:00 AM

June

6/2 (1st. Wed) **Annual Meeting of the Board of Directors, 6:30 PM**

6/5 **Board Retreat, 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM**

6/16 Finance Committee, 5:30 PM

6/17 Building and Grounds Committee, 9:00 AM

VI. Closing Items

A. Adjourn to Closed Session

In accordance with RSMo Sunshine Law, 610.021, which requires a roll call vote.

B. Adjourn Meeting