

**Mountain Village Montessori Charter School**  
**Governing Board Meeting Minutes**  
**April 6, 2017 @ 8:30 am**  
**Mountain Village Montessori Charter School**  
**27285 Brandon Circle**  
**Steamboat Springs, CO 80487**

**Our Mission:**

To inspire each child to learn and grow as a responsible global citizen in a collaborative, peaceful and safe environment through the proven methods of Montessori education. As a school of choice, Mountain Village Montessori Charter School is a place for students, families and teachers to grow together as a community. MVMCS aims to develop responsible, self-directed and resilient children who become life-long learners and creative problem solvers.

**Our Vision:**

Mountain Village Montessori Charter School creates a respectful, safe, nurturing and diverse educational community where students, staff, parents and community members collaborate to become empowered, enriched, challenged, resilient and prepared individuals collectively meeting the demands of an ever-changing society.

- I. Call to Order ( 1 minute): Kristen Rockford, Mike Morris, Jeff Merage, Aimee Dendrinis, Jen Mac (staff rep), Kate Godly (member of the public), Dee Saunders (staff rep), Michael Hayes. Kristen calls the meeting to order at 8:32 am.
- II. Agenda Review - Approval of Agenda (1 minute) - Kristen moves, Jeff seconds, agenda approved as written.
- III. Public Comment (5 minutes): none
- IV. Approval of March 2, and March 22, 2017(special meeting) minutes (2 minutes): Kristen moves to accept, Mike seconds, approval of minutes as presented.
- V. Benefits of a mentor - Sydney and Michelle from Partners in Routt County (10 minutes)
  - a. Conversation about budgets cuts and the impact on the school mentoring program
- VI. Potential communications company - Sydney Schalit from Meaningful Chatter (15 minutes)
  - a. Sydney discussed what communication support she has provided for us this year and how we would continue the plan on for next year.
- VII. New Board Member Interview - Kate Godly (15 minutes)
  - a. New Board Member discussion (10 minutes)
  - b. Vote on new board member
    - i. Jeff moves to postpone board interview and vote until the May meeting, Mike seconds. Unan vote.
- VIII. Director's Report ( 10 minutes): Michael gave the directors report
- IX. Treasurer's Report (10 minutes)
  - a. Cash flow discussion:
    - i. Members of finance committee need to work on cash-flow order to ensure that our cash flow numbers are correct. Kate Godly, Jen McLearn (Kristen will reach out), Jeff Merage, Jason, Michael. Michael Hayes will speak to Jason about getting the committee more formal.
- X. Committee Updates (40 minutes)
  - A. Facility Committee
    - a. Update on CC4E meeting
  - B. Fundraising Committee
    - a. Update on Daniel's Fund - didn't get this year, Aimee will reach out to Daniels Fund for help with what we can do.
    - b. Update on other grants

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- c. Who should take over this committee - everyone needs to think about an individual who could take this on. Mike will start to work on fundraising operationally.
- C. School Accountability Committee update
  - a. Update on April meeting -
- D. Parent Accountability Committee update- working towards the event at the ranch.
- E. Standard Operating Procedure update - Board members need to look at bylaws and think about staggering terms and other amendments. We need to look at bylaws and discuss the board requirement of completing modules.
  - a. Governing Board and Committee Structure
  - b. Committee Recruitment
  - c. Potential amendments to our Bylaws
    - i. Comprehensive list then amend one time
    - ii. Term for Governing Board Members
    - iii. Term for key positions on Governing Board (President, \*\*Incoming President, Treasurer, and Secretary)
    - iv. Set up ongoing list for changes/potential changes to be voted on once complete
    - v. Other ideas from the board
- F. Update from Staff Rep - angst among staff with primary scheduling next year, staff will spend time working for it. Primary staff have requested potentially looking at a further break in tuition for their children who attend. Kate Godly will head up some teacher appreciation work under parent committee, Aimee will reach out today to speak with Emily about the subgroup forming under her committee.
- XI. New Business
  - a. Naming rights proposal (Jeff - 15 minutes):
  - b. New School Calendar (Michael - 10 minutes)
    - i. Vote on new calendar: Kristen presents a motion on the floor to vote on Option #3 of the school calendar with if the programming doesn't work revert to full school days. Jeff seconds. Unan vote.
- XII. Old Business (10 minutes)
  - A. Update on lottery (if not covered in HOS update) - covered in HOS committee.
- XIII. Executive Session, if needed: not needed
- XIV. Next Meeting is May 4, 2017 at 8:30 am
- XV. Adjourn at 12:37.