

Mountain Village Montessori Charter School
Governing Board Meeting Minutes
May 4, 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: Emily Barnhart, Mike Morris, Kristen Rockford, Aimee Dendrinis, Michael Hayes, Deidre Saunders (staff), Jen Hard (staff), Kate Godley (member of public). Call to order by Kristen at 8:32 am.
- II. Agenda Review - Approval of Agenda: agenda approved
- III. Public Comment: Thank you teachers, Aimee Dendrinis and Mike Morris
- IV. Approval of April 6, 2017 meeting minutes: Emily moves, Mike seconds, unan. pass of minute approval.
- V. New Board Member Interview - Kate Godly: Kate has an MBA from Michigan, Certification in Financial Planning from Northwestern University, and is getting a certification as a life coach. Kate would like to help get a better cash flow tool to help administration and the board for planning. Kate has been serving as a member of the public on the finance committee.
 - a. New Board Member discussion: Aimee makes a motion for Kate's approval on the Board, Kristen seconds. Unan approval.
 - b. Vote on new board member: see above
- VI. Director's Report (10 minutes): Celebrations - first staff baby is coming! Staff is doing great with end of year celebrations. MVMCS received \$70,000 from fund board. \$40,000 from the Walton Fund largely for teacher training because of Michael's advocacy. Enrollment - preschool does not have a waiting list.
- VII. Treasurer's Report: Jason and Rory from G & G on the phone. Potentially out of compliance by June, and we could receive a notice of concern because we would have a negative fund balance. Heightened financial monitoring. Notice of concerns are public, could affect the auditor's report because we could have a going concern. Finance committee suggests trying to raise as much as possible before the end of the year. Other option is to take a loan. G&G is being so helpful, finance committee recommends that we keep them on.
- VIII. Executive session under Colorado Statute section 24-6-402 to discuss the purchase, acquisition, lease, transfer, or sale of any real personal, or other property interest. Kristen motion for executive session, Emily seconds. Executive sessions starts at 9:49 am. Executive session adjourned at 10:43.
- IX. Committee Updates
 - A. Facility Committee - no report on facilities
 - B. Fundraising Committee

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- a. Discuss new parent potentially taking over committee - we are still looking for help with fundraising. Parent's of incoming students have expressed interest.
- b. June meeting will include a vote about which Board member will head up the fundraising committee.
- c. Monday, May 8, 9:15 the Board will hold a fundraising work session.
- C. School Accountability Committee update
 - a. May meeting on schedule, May 11th.
- D. Parent Accountability Committee update: fundraising pieces at event - are an art option, teacher experience option, live dessert auction. Book fair is coming up. Raised a good amount of money with teacher appreciation for the events this week. May 8th meetings will happen morning and evening to encourage participation.
- E. Standard Operating Procedure Committee update - building out an operational manual that includes policies and procedures on google drive. Early project work being done.
- F. Update from Staff Rep: Upcoming events for last month of school. Talent show 8:45 next Thursday, Earth Day May 26 (weather reschedule), carnival silent auction for outings with the teachers, teachers say thank you for the teacher appreciation week. Field day and bike rodeo coming up.
- X. New Business - none noted.
 - a. As needed
- XI. Old Business - none noted.
 - A. As needed
- XII. Next Meeting is June 1, 2017 at 8:30 am at which time we will have officer elections. President, Treasurer and Secretary will be voted on.
- XIII. Adjourn at 11:11 am. Kristen moved, and Kate seconds. Unan. decision.