

Mountain Village Montessori Charter School  
27285 Brandon Circle  
Steamboat Springs, CO 80487  
**Governing Board Meeting**  
**March 9, 2018**

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 meeting the demands of an ever-changing society.

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In Attendance:

Jeff Merage (Chair)  
Mike Morris (Vice Chair)  
Jason Gilligan (Treasurer)  
Leslie Gumbrecht (Secretary)  
Michael Girodo (Head of School)  
Kate Godley (Director of Business and Finance)  
Darcy Walters (Faculty Representative)  
Emily Barnhart (Acting as proxy for Mona)  
Alissa Merage  
Adam Wright

Action Items:

- Send questions/comments about next year's budget to Kate.
- Jeff will continue CHS lease contract negotiation with Ty.
- Jason will contact Euzoa Bible church as a possible backup location for MVMCS.
- Send any suggestions/concerns about safety/security to Michael.

Minutes:

- I. **Call to Order:** 12:38pm
- II. **Agenda Review:** Agenda reviewed by board.
- III. **Public Comment:** None.
- IV. **Approval of Minutes:** Mike moves to approve February minutes. Emily seconds. Approved.
- V. **H.O.S. Report:** Michael highlighted a few points from his HOS Report including enrollment, reporting for the CCSI visit, and supporting the Parent Committee.
- VI. **Committee Updates:**
  - a. *Treasurer/Finance:*

- i. Review Cash Flow and January Financials: Kate clarifies some points regarding the Activity Fee for this year and last.
    - ii. Review FY19 Budget Draft: Send any questions to Kate.
    - iii. Vote on Pre-school Tuition and Activity Fee: Jason moves to raise pre-school tuition for full day to \$850, ½ day preschool to \$650, and keep the Activity Fee at \$350. Jeff seconds. Board approves.
    - iv. Vote on Articles of Incorporation: Jason moves to approve the Articles of Incorporation document. Mike seconds. Board approves.
    - v. Vote on Document Retention Policy: Board discusses several important aspects of document retention including personnel access, keys, and security of personal information. Board makes recommendations to revise document. Jason votes to approve the document as it stands, with an intent to revise it in September. Jeff seconds. One abstention. Board approves.
  - b. *Authorization Task Force:*
    - i. Jason provides the board with an update. The board discusses the importance of integrating our mission/vision into the re-authorization process. We will move forward with our CSI re-authorization process while simultaneously conducting discussion with SSSD.
  - c. *Facility Committee:*
    - i. Jeff provides the board with an update on the CHS Lease Counter Proposal. Jeff explains that he is focused on risk avoidance. He expects the negotiation process to continue. The board supports Jeff’s negotiation process. Vote isn’t necessary yet since negotiations are still in process.
- VII. New Business:**
- a. *Sheriff Proposal of Armed Marshals at schools:* The board discusses several aspects of this proposal, including other ways to increase security, staff training, and the need to review our safety and security plan.
  - b. *Board Retreat Scheduling:* Board agrees on proposed retreat day in May.
- VIII. Old Business:** Not discussed.
- IX. Executive Session:** n/a
- X. Next Meeting:** Friday, April 13 at 12:00pm at MVMCS.
- XI. Adjourn:** 3:14pm

Tabled Items:

- None