

# MARIA MONTESSORI ACADEMY

## Board Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, March 13, 2012

Location: Maria Montessori Academy  
2505 N. 200 E.  
North Ogden, UT 84414



**In Attendance:** Preston Allen, Joan Effiong, Loma Prince, Yana Sprague

**Excused:** Linda Martinez

**Others in Attendance:** Nancy Lindeman (Director), Kim Dohrer (AW), Gabe Clark (AW), Ryan Arrington (AW), Kara Finley (AW)

The mission of Maria Montessori Academy is to provide an individualized grade K-6 education that promotes academic excellence founded on the authentic philosophy of Dr. Maria Montessori. MMA will craft each child's education in partnership with educators and parents to achieve higher levels of academic, personal and social achievement, thereby preparing students to become constructive contributors to their community.

### MINUTES

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**5:35 PM – CALL TO ORDER by Preston Allen**

#### CONSENT ITEMS

- ❖ Loma Prince motioned to approve the January 10, 2012 Board Meeting Minutes; Yana Sprague seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.
- ❖ Joan Effiong motioned to approve Christina McDowell as a new hire; Yana Sprague seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

#### REPORT

- ❖ Ryan Arrington reviewed the current budget with the Board. He discussed the Title Funds that are still in the process of being reviewed.

#### VOTING ITEMS

- ❖ Nancy Lindeman explained the flights that need to be purchased to California. Loma Prince motioned to approve the Southwest Expenditure up to \$10,000; Joan Effiong seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

#### REPORT

- ❖ Nancy Lindeman provided the Directors Report. The new cleaning company is currently working out and the facilities are looking wonderful. She also discussed the School LAND Trust Committee and the ADHD workshop that will be hosted by national experts. Nancy Lindeman also discussed the academic achievement of student and the vision of the school including hosting Kindergarten Round-Up and potentially having an Extended School Year.

#### VOTING ITEMS

- ❖ Nancy Lindeman reviewed with the Board the School LAND Trust Plan. Loma Prince motioned to approve the School Land Trust Plan and Budget as proposed; Joan Effiong seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.
- ❖ The Board reviewed the MMA Early Childhood Study as presented by the Kelly Crabtree and Joy Baty. They discussed the longitudinal study, the children that would be accepted, and the funding separation. The Board would like additional time to research the study and will continue discussions. The vote has been tabled to the next Board Meeting.

#### REPORT

- ❖ Yana Sprague updated the Board on MAPA and discussed the update provided by Lara Lusher. The parent appreciation committee provided dinner for teachers during the Parent Teacher Conferences. MAPA will be working to become a 501(c)(3) organization for their fundraising efforts. The grant committee has submitted thirteen grants this year and are currently looking for a playground grant. The Spring Gala will be on March 24<sup>th</sup> and they committee is preparing for that. They are also planning a general MAPA Meeting, Field Day, and Mingle in the Morning.

#### **BUSINESS ITEMS**

- ❖ Next Board Meeting on April 10, 2012 at 5:30 PM.
- ❖ Board Retreat tentatively set for June 29-30, 2012.

#### **BOARD DEVELOPMENT**

- ❖ The Board development was tabled to the next Board Meeting.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT (Comments will be limited to three (3) minutes each)**

- ❖ No public comments were made.

#### **CLOSED SESSION**

- ❖ The Closed Session was tabled.

#### **ADJOURN**

- ❖ Joan Effiong motioned to adjourn the Board Meeting; Yana Sprague seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.  
Meeting adjourned at 8:14 PM