

MARIA MONTESSORI ACADEMY

Board Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, April 10, 2012

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



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

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

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MINUTES

5:39 PM – CALL TO ORDER by Preston Allen

MONTESSORI PHILOSOPHY TRAINING

- ❖ Nancy Lindeman led the training on Montessori Today Chapter 4. She reviewed the five areas of great lessons in the Montessori Philosophy.

CONSENT ITEMS

- ❖ Joan Effiong motioned to approve the March 13, 2012 Board Meeting Minutes; Yana Sprague seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.
- ❖ The Board thanked Linda Martinez for her outstanding service to the Board. Yana Sprague motioned to ratify the resignation of Linda Martinez; Loma Prince seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

REPORTS

- ❖ Nancy Lindeman provided the Directors Report. She discussed the school facilities and school climate, the student's academic achievement, and the mission in practice at the school. She discussed the kindergarten placements, ESY, and the executive committee.
- ❖ Loma Prince reported on the school budget. She discussed the fiscal standing of the school upcoming purchases and reviewed all the title funds.

VOTING ITEMS

- ❖ Nancy Lindeman talked about the solar panels that were installed and the grant money that was received. Loma Prince motioned to approve the Wasatch Sun Invoice for \$14,586; Yana Sprague seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

BUSINESS ITEMS

- ❖ Nancy Lindeman reviewed the Mid-Year Parent Satisfaction Survey. She discussed the results of the survey and the areas that have improved. She also discussed the areas that the school needs to address regarding volunteerism, catered lunch, and dress code.
- ❖ The Board reviewed the Board Terms and recruiting new Board Members.
- ❖ Calendaring
 - Next Board Meeting on May 8, 2012 at 5:30 PM.
 - Board Retreat on June 21-22, 2012 – Half day on 21st starting at 2pm, full day on 22nd
 - ADHD Meeting on April 19th at 6:30 PM

BOARD DEVELOPMENT

- ❖ Kim Dohrer led the training on Charter School Board University Chapter 7. The chapter discusses

governance versus management and the differences between ensuring and executing. The chapter discusses that if the Board is asking *how* questions, the Board is crossing the management line. They reviewed hypothetical circumstances for appropriate Board governance.

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

- ❖ No public comment was made.

CLOSED SESSION

- ❖ Loma Prince motioned to enter a Closed Session to discuss the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an individual; Joan Effiong seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. The votes were as follows:

- Preston Allen – AYE
- Joan Effiong – AYE
- Loma Prince – AYE
- Yana Sprague – AYE

Entered Closed Session at 7:35 PM.

Nancy Lindeman and Ryan Arrington were dismissed at 7:45 PM.

ADJOURN

- ❖ Yana Sprague motioned to adjourn the Closed Session and Board Meeting; Loma Prince seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. The votes were as follows:

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