

Mountain West Montessori Academy

Board Meeting Minutes

Monday, March 26, 2018

Location: MWMA Library, 4125 W. Foxview Drive, South Jordan, UT 84009



In Attendance: Steve Barnes, Lois Bobo, Andrew Marx, Corbin White (6:34 p.m.)

Excused: Ryan Parker

Others in Attendance: Angie Johnson, Cathie Hurst, Sheri Ebert, Dawn Kawaguchi, Brandon Fairbanks

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MINUTES

2017-2018 BOARD PRIORITIES

Strengthen Parent Partnerships
Define Learning Excellence @ MWMA
Maintain & Support Quality Faculty

6:12 PM – INTRODUCTORY ITEMS

- Call to Order – Steve Barnes
- School Mission – Lois Bobo

There was no PUBLIC COMMENT.

REPORTS

➤ **Director**

- State of the School – Angie Johnson
 - ✓ Strengthening Parent Partnerships
 - ★ Communication
 - ❖ A parent survey was sent out this week. A SpEd and 504 section was added to the survey this year. If completed you had an opportunity to receive one volunteer hour.
 - ❖ Launching new website soon (Spring Break)
 - ❖ Student walk-out for those who chose to participate
 - ★ Cohesion
 - ❖ Pi Pizza Night was very successful with a great participation. The school even made some money although it wasn't a fundraiser.

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- ❖ Maturation Night for 5th & 6th graders
- ❖ Ms. Angie has been greeting every student at the door this year. This has been the joy of each day. She recently started playing music and is now experimenting with different genres to see how it effects the students' behavior.
- ★ Investment/Involvement
 - ❖ SLT committee will be discussed when Ms. Angie explains the next year's plan and budget in "Business Items"
 - ❖ Ms. Sheri has started Jog-A-Thon business outreach for next year and has created a committee
 - ❖ We are in the process of a development of a "Parenting Nights" that will be replacing Parent Education. We are coming up with fun names for the topics that we will be teaching.
- ✓ Define Learning Excellence at MWMA
 - ★ Data Driven Instruction
 - ❖ Development of Literacy Innovation Team
 - ❖ Targeting student writing skills
 - ★ Non-Cognitive Skills
 - ❖ Empowering student voices
 - ❖ Student developed clubs is where students come up with ideas. The students have to a faculty member to supervise the club but it's completely run by students.
- ✓ Maintain & Support Quality Faculty
 - ★ Professional Development & Positive Culture
 - ❖ We had (22) faculty members attended the AMS Conference in Denver last week. It was amazing! MWMA were the rock stars of the conference.
 - ❖ Teacher led initiatives
 - ♣ Coach David is working on a 5k Fun Run which will be held in May
- ✓ Highlighting a current strength
 - ★ Flexible seating article
- ✓ Highlighting a recent challenge
 - ★ Long term subs
- ✓ Just Bragging
 - ★ We have our first trophy with a fourth-place win overall at the regional math competition

BOARD INTERVIEWS

- The board interviewed Jen Evans and Nelson Altamirano. They asked each candidate to share information that the applicant wanted to share with the board about themselves. Their responses sparked individual board questions to each of the candidates.

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Steve Barnes made some adjustments to the agenda as we waited for Nelson to arrive.

REPORTS (Continued)

➤ **Board of Directors**

- Review Action Items – Steve Barnes briefly reviewed the action items.

BUSINESS ITEMS (To Be Discuss and/or Voted On)

- Discuss & Vote on 2018-2019 School LAND Trust Plan – Angie Johnson stated that the SLT committee has met and approved the plan. Angie stated that she gave her recommendations for the targeted areas. Angie reviewed the goals and expenditures. There was a discussion on the questions that were asked by the SLT committee. **Lois Bobo made a motion to approve the 2018-2019 School LAND Trust Plan. Corbin White seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.**

REPORTS (Continued)

➤ **Academica West**

- Review 2017-2018 Budget as of February 28, 2018 – Cathie Hurst reviewed the budget as of February 28th. She stated that Angie has been doing a very good job managing the budget. There will be more expenditures in SpEd than expected. Cathie enquired if the board has been receiving the monthly budget via email. They all stated that they have been receiving it.

Corbin White made a motion to approve the CONSENT ITEMS. Lois Bobo seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

- Approve February 28, 2018 Board Meeting Minutes
- Approve February 28, 2018 Closed Session Affidavit
- Ratify the 2018-2019 School Calendar – *Dawn and Angie reviewed the one change on the calendar.*

Nelson Altamirano arrived for his interview at 7:21 p.m.

7:43 PM – Andrew Marx made a motion to enter into a CLOSED SESSION to discuss an individual’s character, professional competence, or physical or mental health pursuant to Utah Code 52-4-205(1) (a). Lois Bobo seconded the motion. The votes were as follows:

**Steve Barnes – Aye
Corbin White – Aye
Andrew Marx – Aye
Lois Bobo – Aye**

Motion passed unanimously.

8:11 PM – Corbin White made a motion to exit the CLOSED SESSION. Lois Bobo seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

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BUSINESS ITEMS (Continued)

- Discuss & Vote on New Board Member with a 4-Year Term to expire June 30, 2022 – There was no further discussion. **Corbin White made a motion to appoint D. Nelson Altamirano as a board member with a 4-year term to expire June 30, 2022. Lois Bobo seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.**

OTHER BUSINESS ITEMS

- Calendaring – ALL
 - April Pre-Board Meeting – April 17th @ 4:30 p.m. (move to April 11th)
 - Next Board Meeting – Tuesday, April 24th @ 6:00 p.m. (move to April 23rd)

8:12 PM – Lois Bobo made a motion to ADJOURN. Andrew Marx seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

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**Mountain West Montessori Academy
Closed Executive Board Meeting Affidavit
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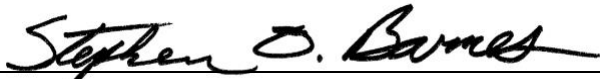
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AFFIDAVIT

This Closed Session was held to discuss an individual's character, professional competence, or physical or mental health pursuant to Utah Code 52-4-205(1)(a).



Steve Barnes – Board President

26 February 2018

Date

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