

**Approved**  
**WALDEN GREEN MONTESSORI**  
**17339 Roosevelt Road**  
**Spring Lake, MI 49456**  
**BOARD MINUTES FROM THE DECEMBER 18, 2017 REGULAR BOARD MEETING**

Board Members Present: Rebecca Andree, Brooke Kazma, Tom Paniucki and Pamela Parriott  
Board Members Absent: Tony Hayes  
Non-Board Members Attending: Mark Neidlinger & Vickie Buckner  
CMU: Jack Wallington

The meeting was called to order at 6:03 P.M.

1. **Agenda.** Tom made a motion to approve the agenda and Pam seconded the motion. 4 Ayes and 0 Nays – **CARRIED.**
2. **Board Minutes.** Pam made a motion to approve the November 20, 2017 regular meeting minutes and Pam seconded the motion. 4 Ayes and 0 Nays – **CARRIED.**
3. **Public Comment.** There was public comment.
4. **CMU.** Jack reminded the board of the upcoming BDS and webinar.
5. **Director Report Out.**

Tom.

Strategic Plan – Excellence in Education/Academic Performance

*Academic Performance Data* - Mark reviewed the Performance Series data with the board.

*Mid-Year Strategic Plan Discussion* – Rebecca and Mark will prepare a synopsis of the strategic plan matrix.

*Director Update: Headcount* - 230. Waitlists for Young 5's, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup>. Tours continue. Open Houses are scheduled for February 20 and March 20. *The World Beyond/Community Engagement* – Update on field trips, donations and projects. *Family Foundation Updates* – Walk-A-Thon, B&N Event, WG Swag, Auction & Logo, Reimbursement and Teacher Stipends. *Focus On People* – Students: Marcia McEvoy's Workshops, Thanksgiving feasts, Holiday Concert, Band & Orchestra Concert and Board Member, Tom, came to read with our youngest students. Staff: New teaching assistant, Marcia McEvoy's workshop, Sara Derdowski working with staff on the needs for the library, new K/1 teacher, SIP meetings, Lock Down Training and two staff members to New Standards in Science Workshops.

6. **Board Accountabilities & Actions.**

*Financials* - Brooke made a motion to approve the November Financials and Tom seconded the motion. 4 Ayes and 0 Nays – **CARRIED.** Tom made a motion to approve the General Fund Budget Amendment and Brooke seconded the motion. 4 Ayes and 0 Nays – **CARRIED.**

*Governance Committee* - Brooke reviewed the initiatives of the governance committee: Welcome Packets for new board members, Ads posted for board members (GH Tribune, LinkedIn and SL, GH & Ferrysburg Informed). Rebecca made a motion to approve the governance committee interviewing potential board candidates and bringing two candidates to the board and Tom seconded the motion. 4 Ayes and 0 Nays – **CARRIED.**

*Future Facilities Committee Update* – Mark has submitted an application to the state for review of the school across the street. At the next board meeting, Mark will announce the names of the Finance Committee members. Pam would like more information on the building and street.

*Fall 2017 Board Policy Updates* – Brooke made a motion to approve the Fall 2017 Board Policy Updates and Pam seconded the motion. 4 Ayes and 0 Nays - **CARRIED.**

7. **Public Comment.** There was public comment.

8. The next regular meeting is January 22, 2018 at 6:00 PM.

Pam made a motion to adjourn the board meeting and Tom seconded the motion at 7:18 P.M. 4 Ayes and 0 Nays – **CARRIED.**

Approved by the board at its February 19, 2018 regular meeting.



Board Secretary