

APPROVED
WALDEN GREEN MONTESSORI
17339 Roosevelt Road
Spring Lake, MI 49456
BOARD MINUTES FROM THE NOVEMBER 20, 2017 REGULAR BOARD MEETING

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

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 P.M.

1. **Agenda.** Pam made a motion to approve the agenda and Tom seconded the motion. 3 Ayes and 0 Nays – **CARRIED.**
2. **Board Minutes.** Tom made a motion to approve the October 16, 2017 regular annual meeting minutes and Pam seconded the motion. 3 Ayes and 0 Nays – **CARRIED.**
3. **Public Comment.** There was no public comment.
4. **CMU.** Jack handed out the Board Gear/Roles and Responsibilities sheets and reminded the board of the upcoming BDS.
5. **Director Report Out.**

Strategic Plan – Excellence in Education/Academic Performance

2017-2018 School Improvement Plan - Mark R. reviewed the plan with the board.

Headcount - 228. Waitlists for 2nd, 3rd, 7th & 8th. Tours continue. Open Houses are scheduled for February 20 and March 20.

Increase Demand & Building Capacity - M-Step & Ed Performance Scores and graphs provided.

Focus on People - Parent involvement: chaperones, volunteering in the classrooms, field trips, fundraisers, dismissal help, Families & Foundation projects and library renovation headed by Sara. Student involvement: Jr. Lego Team, band & orchestra playing at the fundraising events and collecting donations for Kids Belong. Staff Updates: an assistant was hired for the middle school, an offer was extended to the K/1 candidate, observations at Montessori schools for the professional development, staff meetings and Grand Haven Tribune classroom featured articles.

Community Engagement – Some of the activities were: Walk-A-Thon featured in the Grand Haven Tribune, Facebook activity, Family Breakfast, conferences, etc.

Financial Health - Family donation, Barnes & Noble fundraiser, Shop4Schools and conservative budgeting.

6. **Board Accountabilities & Actions.**

Financials - Pam made a motion to approve the October Financials and Tom seconded the motion. 3 Ayes and 0 Nays – **CARRIED.** The finance committee reviewed the draft general fund budget amendment for approval in December.

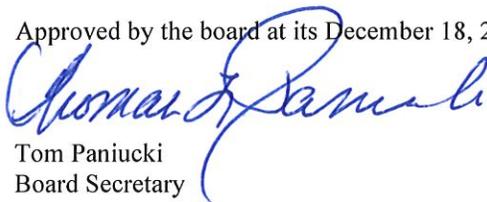
CMU Contract No. 1 - Tom made a motion to approve the CMU Contract Amendment No. 1/Science Curriculum and Pam seconded the motion. 3 Ayes and 0 Nays – **CARRIED.**

Governance Committee - Brooke reviewed the initiatives of the governance committee: Welcome Packets for new board members, location of school documents for new members and ideas for reaching potential board members. The governance committee suggested the possibility of meeting with potential board candidates prior to a full board interview. The board will review this option.

7. **Public Comment.** There was no public comment.
8. The next regular meeting is December 18, 2017 at 6:00 PM.

Tom made a motion to adjourn the board meeting and Pam seconded the motion at 6:59 P.M. 3 Ayes and 0 Nays – **CARRIED.**

Approved by the board at its December 18, 2017 regular board meeting.



Tom Paniucki
Board Secretary