

APPROVED
WALDEN GREEN MONTESSORI
17339 Roosevelt Road
Spring Lake, MI 49456
BOARD MINUTES FROM THE OCTOBER 19, 2020 REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Board Members Present: Rebecca Andree, Ken Johnston, Todd Lucas, Pamela Parriott and Sierra Swartz

Board Members Absent: None

Non-Board Members Attending: Mark Roessing and Vickie Buckner

CMU: Joseph Thienes

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM.

1. **Agenda.** Pam made a motion to approve the agenda and Ken seconded the motion. 5 Ayes and 0 Nays – **CARRIED.**
2. **Board Minutes.** Pam made a motion to approve the September 21, 2020 regular meeting minutes and Sierra seconded the motion. 5 Ayes and 0 Nays – **CARRIED.**
3. **Public Comment.** There was no public comment.
4. **COVID.** Rebecca checked in with everyone.
5. **CMU.** Joe shared information regarding Senate Bill 1108. He informed the board that he met with a board member applicant.
6. **Director Update.**
 - A. **Strategic Plan Metrics**
 1. **Enrollment Update.** 226 students. We are still scheduling tours.
 2. **Updates.** Hike-A-Thon. Title I Annual Meeting for parents. Conferences in November. ECLP Flowchart and Timeline shared. Shout out to the staff. New for 2020-2021: Preparedness Plan. ECLP. COVID Liaison. MICIP. DPPD – online platform. MiPSE for special education. Title IX new regulations and laws. MAP Accelerator. MTSS. Some teachers in Montessori training. Responding to Needs: Supportive leadership (administration and board). Balanced weekly schedules. High quality curriculum and teaching resources. Clean and safe working conditions. Competitive compensation package. Prioritize teacher collaboration and PLCs. Relevant PD and alignment to school goals. Professional Development for staff with Dr. Stephanie Grant/Trauma Informed Schools Training, staff PD on de-escalation techniques to cope with student behavior and other mental health support opportunities for staff.
7. **Board Accountabilities & Actions**
 - A. **Finance Committee.**
 1. **July & August Financials.** Pamela made a motion to approve the July Financials and Sierra seconded the motion. 5 Ayes and 0 Nays – **CARRIED.** Ken made a motion to approve the August Financials and Sierra seconded the motion. 5 Ayes and 0 Nays – **CARRIED.**
 - B. **Board Oversight Actions.**
 1. **Monthly Extended COVID-19 Learning Plans (ECLP) Actions.** The board reviewed the resolution and participation rates. Public Comment: The public was invited into the conversation. There was no public comment. Todd made a motion to approve the Monthly Extended COVID-19 Learning Plans Actions and Pam seconded the motion. 5 Ayes and 0 Nays – **CARRIED.**
 - C. **Board Discussion.**
 1. **Board Effectiveness.** Rebecca shared documents on Governance and Roles & Responsibilities. The board shared their personal observations from the assessment.
 2. **Board Succession.** Rebecca asked the board to express their thoughts about the number of candidates, desired skill set and interview format. The full board will interview potential candidates at the November meeting. Applications submitted by November 9th will be considered. Education and finance experience were mentioned as desirable skills.
 - D. **Strategic Plan.**
 1. **Q2 Priorities.**
 - a. **Evaluate the ECLP.** This will be done monthly.
 - b. **Community Outreach Committee.** Tabled until November.
 - c. **Board Succession Plan.** Interviews will be held at the November board meeting.
 - d. **Draft Budget Amendment.** Draft will be presented at the November board meeting.
8. **Public Comment.** There was no public comment.
9. The next board meeting is scheduled for November 16, 2020 at 6:00 PM. The meeting will be held virtually.

Sierra made a motion to adjourn the board meeting and Ken seconded the motion at 7:11 PM. 5 Ayes and 0 Nays – **CARRIED.**

Approved by the board at its November 16, 2020 regular meeting.

Rebecca Andree

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Board President