

Creekstone Montessori School (CMS) Board of Directors

Regular Meeting Minutes

Monday, February 27, 2023, 6:00pm-8:00pm (CDT)

Hybrid Style Meeting
In-Person Joining Info
Creekstone Montessori School
5225 US Hwy 61 Suite 3, Cottage #4
Red Wing, MN 55066
Virtual ZOOM Meeting Joining Info

Video Call Link:

https://us06web.zoom.us/j/82315060128?pwd=eUMyQmlsZTBla3NWdGJacEF4OXNCUT09

Meeting ID: 823 1506 0128 Passcode: 774410

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Item Item, Conveyor(s), Description No.

I. Call to Order Elissa Behnke, Chair

Welcome - 6:03pm Establish Quorum

- Elissa, Ron, Perry, Dave Conrad, Beth, Ted, Sheena
- Dave Peterson, Danielle, Kelsie

Pledge of Allegiance

Mission Statement

Approval of Meeting Agenda

- Perry moves to approve agenda as presented and amended; Ron 2nds; passes 6-0
- II. Public Comments

Open - none received prior to the meeting

III. Consent Agenda Elissa Behnke, Chair

Consent Agenda:

CMS 01.16.23 Regular Meeting Minutes CMS 01.23.23 Special Meeting Minutes

- Ron moves to approve the Consent Agenda; 2nd by Perry; passes 6-0
- IV. Board Policy Review and Adoption Beth Borgen, Director

1st Reading:

534 - Student Meals

2nd Reading and Adoption:

V. Business of the Board

Finance Ted LaFrance, Treasurer; Sam O'Brien, EdFinMN; David Conrad, Interim Executive Director

Finance Update - see Creekstone FS January Check Register Supplementals

- Discussed implications of adding students to the student body
- Discussed implications of inflation
- Dec and Jan financial statements show we're tracking well

Beth motions to accept the finance statements, dated January 31, 2023, as presented. Perry 2nds; passes 6-0

Interim Executive Director Report & Updates David Conrad, Interim Executive Director

- See Director's Report
- Safety walk-through next week with Tony Rozema, Training Coordinator for the RW Police Dept
- Ron has the idea of asking SE Tech College if we could partner with them for some health service support

Enrollment Update Kelsie Kuyath, Director of Compliance & Administrative Services

- See Enrollment Report Feb 27
- Change in notes: down one 5th grader as of last Friday
- Currently have 41 applications k-7 and 15 preschool applications (for 9 spots)

Student Academic Achievement Report Danielle Mandelkow, Special Education Coordinator

- See Academic Updates Feb 27
- 91% return rate on 1st Flexible Learning Day
- TJ suggests a parent night to help familiarize parents with the FastBridge testing, especially as it relates to a Montessori setting

<u>HR & Personnel</u> Beth Borgen, Director; Ron Ward, Director; David Conrad, Interim Executive Director Executive Director Position

Perry motions to approve Executive Director Position Description as presented with proposed amendments discussed. Ted 2nds; passes 6-0

 Ron suggest adding verbiage: Has completed coursework INCLUDING finance; discussion ensues

Note: Sheena had to leave the meeting at 7:38 pm

Ron motions to approve Executive Director Hiring Process as presented. Beth 2nds; passes 5-0.

• Ted asks about the date window; discussion ensues

Executive Director Job Ed Post presented in writing. HR committee will review further and update with input from Dave.

VI. Board Committees *Board Directors*

Updates & Discussion

- -2023-2024 Annual School Calendar Development: see Exec Director report
- -Budget Development: see notes under finance committee
- -Exploration of 2023 Summer Programming: consists of bd member, parent, teacher, sped director.

Previous tenant offered summer services. Survey of staff interest in working.

VII. Other Business Elissa Behnke, Chair

Updates

Discussion

VIII. Authorizer MOChA

Updates: site visit to be scheduled for April 12, Dave and Dave will coordinate Comments

IX. Adjournment Board; Sheena Tisland, Secretary

Recap Action Items

- Support parent information evening to discuss FastBridge testing results
- Ongoing meetings of calendar, facilities, budget, and summer programming committees
- HR committee will connect soon to move forward with hiring of Exec Director

Next Meeting Date(s)

-Regular Meeting March 20, 2023

Motion to adjourn by Perry, second by Ted. Adjournment at 8:16 pm.