

**School Governing Board Committee**

**(aka Advisory Council)**

**Draft Minutes**

**Wednesday, April 25, 2018, 5:41pm**

**6050 N Invergordon Rd., Paradise Valley, AZ 85253**

**Pursuant to A.R.S. 38-431.02, notice is hereby given to members of the Montessori Academy Charter School that the School Governing Board Committee's regularly scheduled meeting is open to the public on Wednesday, April 25th, 2018, 6050 N Invergordon Rd., Paradise Valley, AZ 85253.**

1. Call to Order at 5:45 p.m. by Kara Tustin.
2. Record Member Attendance – Present: Kara Tustin, Jennifer Dunn, Nick Toronto, George Wood, Debra Berkey, Jeffery Trent, and Maieta Clark. Absent: Maegan Dixon. Executive Board Members – Juli Newman and Krista Cross.
3. Initial call to public- Non-agendized item: Jennifer Dunn: Campus safety will be agendized for next month. Kara Tustin: Alphabet Rockers speak with children using 'hip-hop' about bullying and explain culture differences in an age appropriate manner; having a variety of guest speakers will be agendized for next meeting. Kara Tustin: Community/Parental concerns regarding teachers/assistant teachers, what are the expectations? Juli Newman acknowledged Josh Kattau's professionalism and graciousness as we move forward with the storage extension.
4. Acknowledgments/Introductions – Debra Berkey: Thank you to Admin/teachers. AZmerit testing went really well this year. It was well organized, the children were more relaxed, alert, and ready to go. Jennifer Dunn: The Gala was a beautiful event. Kara Tustin: Staff/teachers are exceptional. Sometimes during school tours, situations arise and each time, they just show how amazing our children and teachers are. MA kids will interact with the children on the tour to make them feel comfortable. They are very sweet to the touring children, asking the touring children to 'play' or join them while the adults talk.
5. Review and approve minutes for February 2018. Corrections: Typo, date was incorrect. Kara Tustin was absent. Doing research on hard numbers –use approximately for solar savings. Maieta Clark moved to approve the minutes as amended. George Wood seconded. Approved 7-0.
6. Old Business
  1. Brick project. Have it ready to go by Parent Orientation 2018.
7. New Business
  - a. State of the School Presentation- Juli Newman. Juli Newman gave an extensive and in-depth power point presentation regarding LEA Plan, Strategic Plan,

Highly Qualified Teachers, Professional Development Plan, Adequate Yearly Progress, Improvement Plans, School Choice, Enrollment, Title Funds, IDEA Funds, FY19 Calendar. Power Point available for review in hard copy. Please ask Administration or any Board Member (Advisory Council).

- b. School Supplies for FY19- Kara Tustin. Kara spoke to the need for consistency of school supplies for every family to bring in. She reviewed an affordable online company creating convenience and efficiency for parents to order products, have them delivered to the school, and with enough ordered, school receives a “bonus” from the company. Great option. All in agreement it is a viable option for parents.
  - c. Review Status of Upcoming Events (Trips, Activities Week, Graduation)- Debra Berkey. Senior speeches April 26th, Big Trips for both Middle School and Senior Elementary Week of May 1, Middle School Dance May 17<sup>th</sup>, Book Fair week of May 14th, Heroic Journey Middle School, Ms. Maher’s Dance Recital in room 6 May 17th, Activities week May 21<sup>st</sup> to 24<sup>th</sup>, Graduation and Talent Show May 23rd, Thursday May 24<sup>th</sup> half day/last day of school.
- 8. Executive Board Report- Juli Newman. As discussed in Power Point. Executive Board report of financial information is under revision.
  - 9. Final call for public comment- All in agreement a lot of information from the Power Point was discussed. Maieta Clark mentioned the importance of our school being a School of Choice and educating the parents as to why this is pertinent. Possible agenda item for next meeting.
  - 10. Date of next meeting is set for Tuesday, May 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2018 at 5:30 p.m. George Wood so moved, Maieta seconded. Approved 7-0.
  - 11. George Wood moved to adjourn. Nick Toronto seconded. Approved 6-0. Meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

The next REGULARLY scheduled Advisory Council meeting will be held May 22nd, 2018, 5:30 pm at 6050 N Invergordon Rd, Paradise Valley, AZ 85253, in Room 11 or other such accommodations as may be appropriate. If members interested in attending desire telephone call-in information, please submit such request in writing to the Secretary at least 48 hours prior to the meeting time so that we may ensure a quorum, to the extent possible.

Submitted by Maieta Clark, Secretary, April 27<sup>th</sup>, 2018.