

**GOVERNANCE BOARD Meeting Minutes
SEPTEMBER 14, 2020**

I. Call to order, 6:02 PM

- A. Members present - Nancy Schaitel, Amy Stockert, Alicia Gaunky, Dave Gaunky, Wendy Bernett, Laurie Schauf, Nikki Edmond, Connie Jerome, Rachel Frazee, Camille Vetterkind, Rhonda Greeno, Carmen Devine, Ryan Tichenor**

II. Approve Minutes from August meeting, motion made by Rachel, 2nd by Nikki, passed.

III. PRINCIPAL'S REPORT - Dr. Wendy

- A. In building school started last week**
- B. Kellsie Goodman resigned, Jodie Wall moved to teach Children's House and the E-2 position was filled by Laura Carlson.**
- C. Traffic at drop off has lightened, students being dropped after 745 start time, possibly due to start times at other buildings. At Pick Up students crossing in front of the line of traffic is a concern---possible solutions to be discussed at staff meeting.**

IV. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

A. RESOURCES/FINANCES: 3-year old programming/all day pre-k/surround care

- 1. Equitability is a concern, can we implement a plan across the rest of the district**
- 2. Funding will need to look into additional grants as well as the possibility of tuition**
- 3. Are parents open to these options, committee is working on finalizing a survey to be sent out.**
- 4. Looking into partnering with B&G Club for surround care**

B. EDUCATION/STUDENT PERFORMANCE: Blended Learning/Teacher requests/input

- 1. Currently a lot of time being spent helping students with technology/new programs**
- 2. Chromebooks that classroom assistants are using are not compatible with the Promethean boards--possibly could use classroom ipads to connect**
- 3. Dave is looking into screen sharing apps or any other solutions he can find to help with the chromebook issues.**

C. PTO/PARENT & PUBLIC RELATIONS: Montessori info out in the public/social media/handbook

- 1. PTO is meeting on the 28th - Dr. Wendy to put PTO meeting info in the weekly newsletter.**
- 2. PTO will be sending out a survey asking parents what they may be willing to help with, as in prior years. More to come once PTO meets.**

V. OLD BUSINESS

A. MISSION/VISION STATEMENTS - members to review ideas that were submitted to be discussed at next meeting-ideas listed after minutes for review.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

A. WEEKLY SCHOOL ZOOM MEETING 6:30 PM FOR ANYONE - tabled until November meeting.

B. BUDGET PREPARATION FOR GB APPROVAL

1. per Dr. Wendy there will not be a building budget for 2020-2021.

C. SELF-REFLECTION FOR ADMINISTRATOR TO REVIEW

1. sent the evaluation we would like to use to Dr. Wendy, she will share self eval at November meeting and then again in the spring. Motion was made by Rachel, 2nd by Rhonda, motion passed.

D. DONATIONS and how to route them; thank-yous; non-profit gift acceptance policy

1. District has a policy for any donations over \$1000
2. Protocol depends on whether the funds are restricted/unrestricted.

E. NEW BOARD MEMBER APPLICATION TO CONSIDER

1. Application received and reviewed for Sue James to join as a board member.
2. Motion to accept made by Carmen, Rachel 2nd, motion passed.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

Next meeting November 2nd, 6PM. Agenda items can be sent to Nancy. Motion to adjourn, 728pm by Alicia, 2nd by Nikki.

MISSION/VISION STATEMENT IDEAS:

Rachel Frazee's ideas:

Mission: SMS is committed to the development of the whole child by implementing curriculum and methodology based on the Montessori philosophy of education and human development,

and by partnering with parents – children’s first teachers – in this endeavor.

*the reason I liked the above statement is because I feel the parents need a role...especially during COVID and I think things will forever be changed and it is also important....

Vision:At SMS, we strive to become your child’s home away from home. Our vision is to offer a community where all children are offered a foundation for a bright future through enriching experiences, to confidently and safely explore the world around them, and to steadfastly develop proficient learning skills, essential self-regulation and the stable self-confidence they need for a lifetime of success.

*the reason I liked this vision is because we would like to strive to offer more care when needed (growth of more youngers and surround care) so kids home away from home..but even if kids are not going as much I would want my kids to go to a place that is like their second home. Also, I like how this focuses on the child development for lifetime skills!

Dr. Wendy’s ideas:

Mission: To nurture students in partnership with their caregivers to support their becoming the best version of themselves.

Vision: To inspire life-long curiosity in our students while they feel loved, valued, and encouraged.

Nancy’s Ideas:

Mission: Partnering with families and community to provide seamless, high quality Montessori education for children throughout the day.

Vision: To be a beacon for setting the standards of excellence in education of the whole child and family -as defined by our policies, practices, and relationships that ensure each child/family is healthy, safe, engaged, supported, and challenged.