



Board of Directors October 6, 2020 Board Meeting
October 6th, 2020, 6:00pm at Mountain Song Community School
Minutes

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Mission: Mountain Song Community School, as a member of the Alliance for Public Waldorf Education, is a public charter school that utilizes developmentally appropriate holistic education to nurture the body, mind, and heart of each student.

Attendees: Teresa W., Bill B., Jennifer B., Dan K., Binah R., Alexandra K., Hilary H., Laurel S., Sarah K., Scott D.

Absentees: None

Public: Laura R., Amber-joy T., Shannon L., Eva M-J, Jennifer G., Jesse R., Sarah F, Amanda K., Brandi R., Matt Wasserman, Kaye T., Nancy C.

6:00 **I. Convene Meeting** 6:02

- a. **Welcome**
- b. **Reading of Mission Statement**
- c. **Check In**

6:15 **II. Approve Agenda**

Bill moves to approve agenda. Hilary second.

Approved Unanimously.

6:18 **III. Presentation: Making Philanthropy Work**

6:09: Presentation from Matt Wasserman and Kaye Taavialma of Making Philanthropy Work. They work with non-profits in Colorado to teach fundraising; worked with charter schools fundraising.

Typically works with a fundraising committee; not a Board committee to avoid sunshine law – report to school leadership. 6:37

6:30 IV. Public Comment - Time limited to 2 minutes per speaker. Opportunity for the public to provide comments, opinions, or observations directly to Board members. Please refrain from personal attacks or airing grievances: will refer all in attendance to the Mountain Song Grievance Policy for information. Not intended as a forum for debate or discussion. Board will hear comments and may direct action or follow up immediately or in a separate session as appropriate.

6:05: JR: pointing out that COVID cases are rising; may affect return to school plans.

6:40 **V. Continuing Business**

- a. Executive Leadership Team (ELT) Monthly Report (oral)

6:37 SK: focusing on October count. Finalize relationship with Prenda, getting them into Infinite Campus. Lots of movement. J&H expanded this year – a lot of new enrollment there. Looks like total count is 379 (40 J&H, 20 Prenda); depends on state feedback in November. Students back yesterday and felt good. UIP writing. TW: supporting Sarah, reinventing for hybrid, parameters for parents, close-contact teachers (e.g., handwork) are still remote, everything needs to be scheduled and staggered. Panels set up – CSI virtual visit later in October.

b. Finance Committee Update

6:50 HH: Last meeting on August financials. Cares Act is not reflected into financials. Currently have asset-liability imbalance compared to last year. Spending is in line with where we are in the year. J&H/Canejo: ended first year; well-aligned with MS.

c. Staff Training Update

6:57: Friday is professional development day. Some staff going to Gradalis. Some local trained.

d. Charter Contract Renewal Progress

6:59: Site visit postponed until October 20 and 21st; presentation to CSI Board on Oct 27th. 1-3pm. Jessica Welch will contact us to help us. Ryan will join us next meeting to go over what we need to do. Will make final decision at December meeting.

e. Review of UIP

7:05 SK: Past year was weird, which makes the UIP different. Quickly evolving. Next SAC meeting Oct 19th – don't have enough people on the SAC.

f. Populate Board Charter Renewal Presentation to CSI

Already discussed.

g. Progress check on Grievance Policy

7:16: work is underway.

h. Grant Writing update mid-October deadline and mid-December deadline

7:17: BR is in contact with one parent with experience. Still looking at the RISE grant.

i. Prenda Update

7:19: Progress looks good. JB: attended (with Dan) training for their guides in Denver. A lot of research behind what they do.

j. Return to School Update

7:21: Think we covered it. Safety committee met. Trying to keep up with guidance – sometimes changes daily.

k. Action Item Review (move to last item of continuing business)

7:24: Bill reviewed action items

7:15 **V. New Business**

a. Capital Campaign Proposal (MPW) Review and vote

7:38 SD: Concerned about the work necessary on our part – a real heavy lift. TW: it's more authentic when we're speaking, rather than they doing to speaking for us.
Scott moves to approve expenditure of up to \$16,000 for ELT to pursue contract for a capital campaign program. Bill second.
Approved unanimously

b. SAC update

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c. Attendance Policy Revision

Bill and Teresa will work on Update.

d. Discussion of Board Document Review Process and Schedule 10/27

8:14 brief introduction to document status deck. Will add to future agendas to review each slide.

e. Introduction to Public Committee folders

Bill demonstrated link to make committee materials available to the public.

f. Board Training Module

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8:00 VI. Adjourn Meeting

Bill Move to adjourn. Scott second

Approved unanimously – adjourned 8:15.

Upcoming Dates Review

- a. Upcoming MSCS Staff Meeting Wednesday/Friday to be determined - Board Rep assigned:
- b. Next Board Meeting/Work Session October 20, 2020
- c. Development Committee: *TBD*
- d. Futures Committee: October 27, 2020 3:30-5:00, possibly October 13, 2020 3:30-5:00
- e. Parent Council: *date*
- f. Governance Committee: October 1, 2020. 9:00 via Zoom; October 14, 2020.
- g. SAC: October 19, 2020 6:00-7:30
- h. Statutory Oversight: Ongoing monitoring of legislation/does not regularly meet
- i. Charter Contract Renewal Committee: *TBD*
- j. ELT Support and Evaluation Committee: *TBD*
- k. Executive Committee: October 13, 2020
- l. Grant Writing Committee: *TBD*
- m. Finance Committee: October 20, 2020
- n. CSI Renewal Presentation: October 27, 2020 9:00-12:00