

Gettysburg Montessori Charter School

Board of Trustees Official Minutes

September 22, 2022

Board Members Present

Tom Hockensmith, Chair

Rose Thornberry, Vice Chair

Traci Elligson, Secretary

Becky Uppercue, Board Treasurer

Amy Brown

Missing

None

Others Present

Faye Pleso

Tammy Hogan

Leigh Gugliette

Nikki Wilt

Public

Jason Officer-parent

Call to Order

Tom Hockensmith called the meeting to order at 6:13 pm. Introductions were made for attendees.

Public Comment on Agenda

None

Old Business

None

Administrator's Report

- Enrollment:
 - Currently 276, Monday increased to 277
- Government funding update
 - \$70K Safety/Mental Health Security
 - All requests were approved with 1 restriction
 - Tier I states a Specialized Security staff personnel is needed before the generator can be approved
Amy Brown suggests solar power to replace need for generator and will submit contact suggestions
 - Internal Audit completed on all personnel and students
 - Few missing signatures on student files found and corrected
 - 7/8 grade expansion
 - Deadline is November
 - GASD hiring for new solicitor
 - Looking to re-submit in the future
 - PIMS-Leigh
 - Pennsylvania Information Management System
 - Reports incidents, training, etc.
 - 11 incidents documented but none requiring Law Enforcement
 - Acadience-Dr. Hogan
 - Kindergarten-6th grade
 - Determines student needs and monitor progress
 - Reviewed Reading and Math assessments
 - Evaluated 3 times a year (beginning, mid, end of year)
 - Helping Hands-Nikki
 - Currently no enrollment wait-lists
 - Marketing
 - Postcards
2500 sent out, 10 families have scanned QR code
 - Google
33 families clicked for information
 - Facebook
63 families clicked for information
 - 5 Kindergarten calls to school
 - 3 tours have been scheduled
 - October Events
 - 4th-Open House
 - Gettysburg Parade
Wear GMCS T-shirt

Looking for Lead vehicle

- Coffee fundraiser
- 27th Fire Company visit to school
- 28th-Parade at GMCS indoors
- Amazon Smiles
- Weis campaign
 - Received \$400 for last year
- Giant
 - To begin next year
- November Events
 - Food Drive
 - After School Tutoring-November 1st
 - Book Fair-First week of November
 - Skate Party-November 14th

Consent Agenda

Motion to approve made by Becky Uppercue, seconded by Tom Hockensmith. All agreed; approved.

Chair Report

- No November meeting
- Board member bios needed for website
- Trainings
 - Trauma Informed training by 10/31
- By-Laws/ Board Term Limits
 - Motion to approve made by Tom Hockensmith, seconded by Traci Elligson. All agreed; approved.

Finance

- \$1.4 million in assets
- Construction loan is on schedule
- Budget
 - 279 students
 - Personnel costs
 - Government funds
- Current \$50K surplus
- PCCS Grants
 - \$70K Mental Health
 - \$70K Safety/Security

- FT Salary Teacher Increase
 - Start 10/3/22
 - Motion to approve made by Rose Thornberry, seconded by Tom Hockensmith.
All agreed; approved.

Governance Committee

- Current opening to close 9/30/22
- October interviews
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New business: For the good of the order

None

Public Comment

- Jason Officer- Is A la Carte available?
 - Not currently, share bins are still being used.

Adjourned at 7:42pm