

Gettysburg Montessori Charter School
Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes
Thursday, June 26, 2025

Board Members Present

Elena King, President
Rose Thornberry, Vice Chair
Greg Colosimo, Secretary
Amy Brown, Treasurer
Traci Elligson, Member at Large

Others Present

Tammy Hogan, Assistant Principal
Faye Pleso, CEO/ Principal
Jesse Bean, GMCS Financial Representative

Public

N/A

Call to Order

President Elena King called the meeting to order at 6:41 PM.

Public Comment on Agenda Items

None

Old Business

N/A for this meeting date

Administrators Report presented by Dr. Faye Pleso, CEO/ Principal

Enrollment

• **261 students currently**

- Exit surveys completed. Positive responses include but not limited to the school being hands on, smaller school size, having friends in school. Families leaving school provided a range of responses to include, the long bus ride, moving and physical or emotional challenges. Various suggestions to school also included but not limited to allowing parents at field day and creating a 7/8 grade program.
- Charter renewal/ GSD – Letter wrote from Faye to GSD regarding inaccuracies written. GSD responded and will address this matter.
- ***FID approval – Elena king motioned to approve, Gregory Colosimo second the motion. Amy Brown, Rose Thornberry, Traci Elligson voted in favor of motion.***
- ***Employee Handbook - Elena king motioned to approve, Gregory Colosimo second the motion. Amy Brown, Rose Thornberry, Traci Elligson voted in favor of motion.***

- **Parent Handbook - Elena king motioned to approve, Rose Thornberry second the motion. Amy Brown, Traci Elligson, Gregory Colosimo voted in favor of motion.**

Site Development Project Update

- Shed to be done by end of June
- Building permits for restroom renovations will be available within the next 2 weeks.

Employment

Delany Massey-> $\frac{3}{4}$ teacher @ \$55,135 salary

Kelsey Rudy-> $\frac{3}{4}$ teacher @ \$40,500 salary

Clinton Biddle -> $\frac{1}{2}$ teacher @ \$50,085 salary

Sally Roger -> Admin Support under 30 hours weekly @ \$20/per hour

Lauren Auchey-> Teachers Assistant under 30 hours weekly @ no change of salary (current staff member)

Melissa Snyder-> 20 hours or less Part time nurse @ no change of salary (current employee)

Resignation:

Audry Chapman

Mallory Mills

Elena King motioned to approve staff transitions.

Amy Brown second the motion.

Gregory Colosimo, Rose Thornberry, Traci Elligson all voted in favor of motion

School Updates presented by Dr. Faye Pleso CEO

- Social media/ internet ads are in progress/ currently successful
- June 13- Fun fest, school participated and was successful
- **Upcoming events:**
- Gettysburg Farmers Market
- National Night Out
- Mount Holly Springs community event
- Littlestown community event/ festival
- Pippinfest
- Gettysburg Christmas Festival

Consent Agenda

- Approval of Consent Agenda
 - Previous financials
 - Meeting MinutesElena King Motioned to Approve
 - Amy Brown second the motion
- Rose Thornberry, Traci Elligson, Gregory Colosimo in favor of motion

Chair Report

Approval of Gforce Security Contract:
Elena King motioned to approve
Gregory Colosimo Second the motion
Rose Thornberry, Amy Brown, Traci Elligson voted in favor of motion

Approval settle matter regarding student 001 (not to exceed) 16k payment towards legal services and student related services
Elena King motioned to approve
Rose second the motion
Gregory Colosimo, Traci Elligson, Amy Brown voted in favor of motion

Finance Committee - Amy Brown, Rose Thornberry

- 4.1 million – district revenue
- Total assets \$1.88 million
- Fund balance- \$1.5 million
- Budget completed, balanced budget successful
- Likely to break even overall, enrollment goal of 265 students
- 3% increase staff salary
- *Additional info can be reviewed within 06/26/2025 Finance Report*

Governance Committee**

- Rose Thornberry and Jeff Sours up for renewal, this will be addressed in August 2025 meeting

New Business for the Good of the Order

- None

Public Comment

N/A

Adjourned – Meeting recessed @ 7:25by Elena King