

**Montessori Middle School, Inc.
Lakeland Montessori Schoolhouse, Inc.
Board of Directors Meetings
April 9, 2015**

Attendance

Board members in attendance

Lori DeAngelis, Susan Truett, Nancye Black, Nancy Moses, Tim Seldin, Nicole Marsh

Board members not in attendance

Harlan Crosswait

Others Present in School Capacity

Heather Manrow, Principal of LMS and MMS

Josie Zinninger, Director of Finance and Strategic Planning for LMS and MMS

Location:

Lakeland Montessori Schoolhouse, 1124 N. Lake Parker Ave, Lakeland, FL 33805

Called to order by Lori DeAngelis at 4:35 PM.

Lori DeAngelis noted that this is a simultaneous Board Meeting of both the Lakeland Montessori Schoolhouse, Inc. (LMS) and Montessori Middle School, Inc. (MMS), which are separate legal entities.

Approval of Board Minutes

Lori DeAngelis made a motion to approve the combined LMS and MMS minutes from the February 5, 2014 Board meeting.

- Second: Nancye Black
- Approval: Unanimous

Public Comment on Agenda Items

- None

REPORTS AND DISCUSSION

Lakeland Montessori Schoolhouse, Inc. and Montessori Middle School, Inc. Principal Report

Heather Manrow gave a report on enrollment. LMS has 110 students (50 primary students, 30 lower elementary, and 30 upper elementary). MMS has 54 students (30 7th graders and 24 8th graders). There is one 8th grade student on the 2015-2016 waiting list. Both schools have full enrollment projected for the 2015-2016 school year. There are 7 students on the MMS waiting list for next year.

FSA testing has taken place for 8th grade writing and for 3rd and 4th grade reading and math. So far, computer based testing has gone smoothly. Testing continues for 5th through 8th grade on April 12.

Both MMS teachers, Kelly De La Cruz and Anna Clarke, were selected and presented at the AMS International Conference in March, which is very prestigious.

Financial Report

Josie Zinninger gave the current financial reports for LMS and MMS through February 28, 2015. Both reports displayed a positive net income for the 2014-2015 fiscal year.

ACTION ITEMS

2015-2016 School Calendars

Heather Manrow presented proposed school calendars for LMS and MMS for the 2015-2016 school year.

Susan Truett moved to approve the proposed LMS 2015-2016 School Calendar, with the provision that if the county makes calendar changes we will do likewise.

- Second: Nicole Marsh
- Approval: Unanimous

Susan Truett moved to approve the proposed MMS 2015-2016 School Calendar, with the provision that if the county makes calendar changes we will do likewise.

- Second: Nicole Marsh
- Approval: Unanimous

2015-2016 Principal and Teacher Contracts

Nancye Black moved to approve the 2015-2016 LMS principal and teacher contracts for Heather Manrow, Pragya Tiwari, Kelly De La Cruz, Anna Clarke, Mabel Garcia, Sandra Moss, and Margo Frinzi.

- Second: Lori DeAngelis
- Approval: Unanimous

Tim Seldin left the meeting at 5:30 PM.

Accreditation Process and Committees

The Board discussed the status of the accreditation process.

Polk Museum of Art Lease

Lori DeAngelis moved to approve the Polk Museum of Art Space Use Agreement for MMS.

- Second: Susan Truett
- Approval: Unanimous

Busing

The Board discussed available information about transportation options for the 2015-2016 school year.

School Lunches

There is a possibility that the schools will not have access to Polk County School Board provided lunches for the 2015-2016 school year. Josie and Heather will be exploring alternative options.

Admission Preference Language

The Board discussed the possibility of updating the admission preference language to recognize students with previous Montessori experience at any grade level as opposed to only previous preschool experience.

Susan Truett left the room at 6:45 PM.
Susan Truett returned to the room at 6:49 PM.

Internships

The Board discussed issues surrounding the possibility of having teacher interns during future school years.

BOARD MEMBER MATTERS

None

Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items:

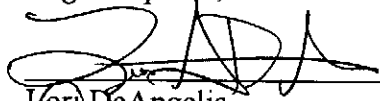
None.

The next board meeting will be on May 26, 2015 at 4:30 PM at the Lakeland Montessori Schoolhouse.

Meeting adjourned by Lori DeAngelis at 7:05 PM.

These minutes were faithfully recorded by Nancye Black, Secretary.

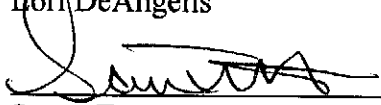
We agree that these minutes honestly and faithfully represent the business of the Lakeland Montessori Schoolhouse, Inc. and Montessori Middle School, Inc. Boards of Directors at their meeting on April 9, 2015.



Lori DeAngelis

5/26/15


Date



Susan Truett

5/26/15

Date




Nancye Black

5/26/15

Date

Tim Seldin

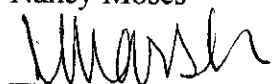
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Nancy Moses

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Nicole Marsh

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