

**Lakeland Montessori Middle School
Board of Directors Meeting
August 3, 2013**

Attendance

Board members in attendance

Susan Truett, Nancye Blair, Nancy Moses

Board members not in attendance

Steve Achinger

Others Present in School Capacity

Heather Manrow

Josie Zinninger

Location:

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

Called to order by Susan Truett at 9:30 AM.

Public Comment on Agenda Items

- None

ACTION ITEMS

Board Member Attendance via Technology

Susan Truett moved to allow audio and video conferencing as a means for board members to attend meetings.

- Second: Nancy Moses
- Approval: Unanimous

The Future of LMMS and LMS

The Board discussed at length the issues surrounding

- the possible combining of the LMMS and LMS entities into one charter
- the possible serving of all LMMS and LMS Board members on both boards in order to collectively support the best interests of the Lakeland Montessori Schools programs

Susan Truett moved to add Lori DeAngelis, Nicole Marsh, Harlan Crosswait, and Tim Seldin to the Lakeland Montessori Middle School Board effective August 15, 2013.

- Second: Nancy Moses
- Approval: Unanimous

Josie Zinninger said she will send out a link to digital copies of the LMMS Board by-laws and documents to all LMMS Board members.

Harlan Crosswait shared that 4 of the 75 students invited to the IB high school came from the Lakeland Montessori Schools.

Susan Truett called for a break at 10:57 AM.

Susan Truett called the meeting to order at 11:11 AM

Strategic Planning

The Board discussed the formation of a strategic plan and the ranking of priorities of the schools, which include assessing the mission and vision, accreditation, LMS permaculture project, website, implementing Montessori Compass at LMS, expansion, upcoming charter renewal, and district contract negotiation.

BOARD MEMBER MATTERS

Nancy Moses made a motion to elect Lori DeAngelis as the President effective August 15, 2013.

- Second: Nancye Blair
- Approval: Unanimous

Nancye Blair made a motion to elect Susan Truett as the Vice President effective August 15, 2013.

- Second: Nancy Moses
- Approval: Unanimous

Susan Truett made a motion to elect Nancye Blair as the Secretary effective August 15, 2013.

- Second: Nancy Moses
- Approval: Unanimous

Nancye Blair made a motion to elect Josie Zinninger as the Non-Voting Treasurer effective August 15, 2013.

- Second: Nancy Moses
- Approval: Unanimous

Board Member Policies

The Board discussed the by-law policies regarding board member term limits and board meeting attendance.

Susan Truett moved to remove Steve Achinger from the Board in accordance with the Section 4.13 Attendance policy in the by-laws.

- Second: Nancy Moses
- Approval: Unanimous

ACTION ITEMS

Strategic Planning

The Board returned to conversations about strategic planning and school priorities, including the additional issues of the development of a visioning Blueprint, our relationship and future at the Polk Museum of Art, and the role of public relations and marketing.

2013-2014 Board Meeting Schedule

Susan Truett moved to change the time of the remaining meetings on the current board meeting schedule to 4:00 PM for the 2013-2014 school year.

- Second: Nancye Blair
- Approval: Unanimous

Thursdays, 4:00 PM, at the Lakeland Montessori Schoolhouse
August 15, 2013
October 3, 2013
December 5, 2013
February 6, 2014
April 3, 2014
June 5, 2014

Susan Truett left the room at 1:00 PM.

Susan Truett returned at 1:04 PM.

Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items:


- None

The next board meeting will be on August 15, 2013 at 4:00 PM at the Lakeland Montessori Schoolhouse.

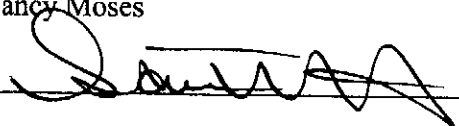
Meeting adjourned by Susan Truett at 1:05 PM.

These minutes were faithfully recorded by Nancye Blair, Secretary.

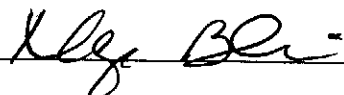
We agree that these minutes honestly and faithfully represent the business of the Board of Directors at their meeting on August 3, 2013.


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Nancy Moses Date


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Susan Truett Date


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Nancye Blair Date