

Monticello Montessori Public Charter School
4707 S Sweetwater Way, Ammon, ID 83406

Feb 18, 2021

6:00 p.m.

Zoom Board Meeting Minutes

- I. Meeting of the Monticello Montessori School Board was called to order by Chairman Glodo at 6:11 p.m.
- II. Chairman Glodo welcomed all present and led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- III. Roll call of Board members present: Ken Glodo, Anthony Kinikin, Dan Thurman, Drew Hosford, Dan Schweider.

Others in attendance: Erica Kemery- Administrator, Kauai Stanfield-Board Clerk. Guests: Taylor Wilhelm, Dr. Douglas Tedford, Jill Holinka, Nari Mendenhall, Michelle Covert, Emily Thomas, Pauline Asche, Devon Whipple, Erin Dowling.

- IV. Chairman Ken Glodo read the school mission statement and vision statement.

V. Consent Agenda:

Approval of Agenda – Feb 18, 2021
Approval of Minutes – Jan 21, 2021 Board Meeting Minutes
Approval of Nov & Dec 2020 and Jan 2021 Check Register
Approval of Nov & Dec 2020 and Jan 2021 Budget Status Report
Approval of Nov & Dec 2020 and Jan 2021 Bank Reconciliation Report
Approval of Policies Reviewed:

Chairman Glodo asked for a motion on our consent agenda.

Motion: Dan Thurman motioned to approve the consent agenda

Dan Schweider seconded the motion.

Discussion: Nari Mendenhall reported on the issues that were occurring with the financial reports.

The vote was 5 in favor with 0 opposed and 0 abstentions. Motion passes.

VI. Public Input: None

VII. Discussion Items/ Action Items

1. Classroom Project Presentation - Mr. Wilhelm presented a student led, Family History Project. The students brainstormed ideas and came up with the idea to interview family members. The objective was to learn about their ancestors so that they would know what not to do or what they could do differently. Thus, creating the theme, "The more you know about the past, the better prepared you are for the future." After the interviews, the students were expected to write an essay. Essays and pictures of their chosen ancestors were hung outside of the classroom but the students desired to do more, as visitors are not allowed and wouldn't be able to see their finished project. It led the students to further brainstorm and the idea came up to record their project. A video was created and shared with the student's families, friends and school mates. It was phenomenal. The communication and interaction with the students and their families were awesome but even better was what this project led the students to think of next, TV Production.
2. School Program Information – Dr. Douglas Tedford presented Special Education Processes that would accelerate learning, retention and improved test scores, working towards students graduating out of SpEd through measurable progress. 21 new individualized plans have been completed while anticipating 13 more from now until the end of the year. SpEd receives SDR Service Delivery Reports on an on-going basis to measure progress for each SpEd student. State-mandated attention to SpEd student low performance in ISAT testing led to formation of a task team with a testing coordinator, 2 paraprofessionals, 3BI, AND 2 CBRS. As of April 12th, accommodations for all SpEd student will begin by testing in low-distraction testing environments with individualized SpEd staff support, allowing unlimited time to complete, which should remedy the problem of low ISAT scores in Math. We currently have 34 SpEd students which will increase because of the child find process.

I. 6:45 p.m: Executive Session* – I.C. 74-2061(f), (a&b)

- Executive Session Motion.
- Roll Call Vote.
- Board Members & Guest Preparation: All recording devices will be turned off and put away prior to convening Executive Session.

*Executive Session explanations:

- Communicate with legal counsel regarding pending/imminently-likely claims [Idaho Code § 74-206 (1) (f)]
- Consider personnel matters [Idaho Code § 74-206 (1) (a) & (b)]
- Deliberate regarding an acquisition of interest in real property [Idaho Code § 74-206 (1) (c)]
- Consider records that are exempt from disclosure [Idaho Code § 74-206 (1) (d)]
- Consider preliminary negotiations involving matters of trade or commerce in which this governing body is in competition with another governing body [Idaho Code § 74-206 (1) (e)]
- Communicate with risk manager/insurer regarding pending/imminently-likely claims [Idaho Code § 74-206 (1)(i)]

Chairman Glodo requested a motion to move from open session into executive session.

Motion: Anthony Kinikin motioned to move the board, pursuant to Idaho Code §74-206, and convene in executive session.

Dan Schweider seconded the motion at 7:18 pm.

The vote to do so by roll call:

Ken Glodo-Yes
Dan Thurman-Yes
Anthony Kinikin-Yes
Drew Hosford-Yes
Dan Schweider-Yes

The vote was 5 in favor with 0 opposed and 0 abstentions. Motion passes.

Board enters executive session [Idaho Code § 74-206 (1) (f), (a&b)] at 7:20 pm.

Motion: Drew Hosford motioned to leave the executive session.

Dan Thurman seconded the motion.

The vote was 5 in favor with 0 opposed and 0 abstentions. Motion passes.

Board leaves executive session [Idaho Code § 74-206 (1) (f), (a&b)] at 10:32 p.m.

Board re-enters open session at 10:33 p.m.

Motion: Drew Hosford motioned that we have a work session on March 5th, 2021, from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. with the entire staff and the title be “How to Make Monticello a Great Place to Work” and “The Best Place to Get an Education.”

Anthony Kinikin seconded the motion.

The vote was 5 in favor with 0 opposed and 0 abstentions. Motion passes.

Chairman Glodo stated that he will accept resignation of Teacher A with the exception of report cards that need to be completed before departure.

Motion: Dan Thurman motioned that we accept resignation from Teacher A conditional on completing report cards for students.

Dan Schweider seconded the motion.

II. Discussion / Action Items Continued:

3. **Dashboard Report:** Mrs. Kemery presented her dashboard report and said that we usually lose about 20% of students by this time, which is right within range. Our ADA is slightly down because of flu season and impacts of Covid quarantines, which is not surprising. Staff are receiving vaccinations and Bonneville County has lifted mask restrictions. One of the neighbors informed the school that a contractor on the east is trying to put in a drainage system to take flood water back to the river, which may in the future impact the school’s property, so needs to be watched.

Parent involvement – We have one parent that wants to volunteer because her child has some anxiety. We will consider allowing her to volunteer but only for a few hours at a time.

Field Trips – The first field trip went well. It was successful as we utilized two buses to keep cohorts separate.

Day on the Hill – Since the state of emergency has ended, school boards are supposed to be meeting on site. However, as a courtesy, boards can choose to allow people to join board meetings online.

4. **STAR Benchmark Growth Data by Grade:** Mrs. Kemery suggested that it be tabled and Mr. Glodo agreed that it should be tabled.

5. **Action Item: Teacher Contract(s)**

Chairman Glodo asked for a motion, does the board approve/disapprove the teacher contract(s) as presented?

Motion: Dan Thurman motioned to approve the contracts as presented.

Anthony Kinikin seconded the motion.

Discussion: Mrs. Kemery is mentoring Mrs. Matson due to university requirements. There are two sections of Study Skills being taught. The proposed contract is for the remaining 76 days left in the school year.

Additionally, while 3 people were interviewed to replace Teacher A, Ms. Kemery's recommendation is to approve hiring the most qualified and experienced applicant, who is also appropriately degreed and certificated.

Dan Thurman suggested considering offering one of the other applicants the opportunity for a career path which would lead to teacher certification.

The vote was 5 in favor with 0 opposed and 0 abstentions. Motion passes.

6. **Action Item: Idaho Public Charter School Commission Annual Report**

Chairman Glodo asked for a motion, does the Board approve/disapprove the MMCS PCSC Annual Report?

Motion: Drew Hosford motioned to accept the report.

Dan Schweider seconded the motion.

The vote was 5 in favor with 0 opposed and 0 abstentions. Motion passes.

7. **Action Item: For Approval: Draft Revised Reopening Plan (Covid-19)** 

Chairman Glodo asked for a motion, does the Board approve/disapprove the Draft Revised Reopening Plan (Covid-19)?

Motion: Dan Schweider motioned to approve the Revised Draft Reopening Plan regarding Covid-19.

Drew Hosford seconded the motion.

The vote was 5 in favor with 0 opposed and 0 abstentions. Motion passes.

8. **Action Item: Third Reading C Series Policies** 

Chairman Glodo asked for a motion, does the Board approve/disapprove temporary adoption of the C Series during the Covid-19 pandemic? Third Reading: 1400C,1620C,1700C,1701C,2210P2C, 2315C,2370C,2440C,2720C,3050C,3255C,3500C, 3520C,4140C,5210C,5212C,5325C,5400C,5600C,5610C,8103C,8120C,8140C,8240C and 9405C?

Motion: Drew Hosford motioned that we approve the temporary adoption of the C-Series.

Dan Thurman seconded the motion.

The vote was 5 in favor with 0 opposed and 0 abstentions. Motion passes.

III. Adjournment at 11:02 pm.

Dan Schweider motioned to adjourn the meeting.

Drew Hosford seconded the motion.

The vote was 5 in favor with 0 opposed and 0 abstentions. Motion passes.

Chairman Glodo called the meeting to close. Meeting ended at 11:02



Chairperson



Clerk of the Board

3/18/2021

Date Approved

Due to the need to efficiently conduct its business within the available time frame, to deal with situations where the Board needs to address issues not on the Agenda; the Agenda may need to be amended after the start of a meeting upon a motion that states the reason for the amendment and states the good faith reason the agenda item was not included in the original agenda posting. Final action may not be taken on an agenda item added after the start of a meeting unless an emergency is declared necessitating action at that meeting. The declaration and justification shall be reflected in the minutes. [State of Idaho Code 74-204 (4)(c)]