

Minutes
East Cooper Montessori Charter School
Wednesday, August 26, 2015
5:30 PM
Executive Session 5:00PM – 5:30 PM
[Minutes Approved Oct 15, 2015 by board]

Note review of contracts and personnel matters were discussed in Executive Session.

I. Administrative

A. Meeting was called to order at 5:02

B. Board Members Roll Call:

1. LaDene Conroy A
2. Dana Wine Johnson - Present
3. Josh Caplea - Present
4. Angeline Leonard - Present
5. Nancy Chilton - Present
6. Deanna Cunnane - Present
7. Dale Sutcliffe - Present

C. Non-Voting Members:

1. Jody Swanigan, Principal - Present

D. Mission Statement: Provide a rigorous Montessori education guiding the children toward academic excellence, lifelong learning, and stewardship of the greater community.

E. Freedom of Information Compliance:

F. Approval of Last Meeting Minutes:

G. Public Comment: No one present for public comment

II. Updates/New Business

- A. 250 Ponsbury Update Josh
- B. Primary – Free and Reduced Lottery Jody
- C. Contracts for new hires Jody
- D. Financial update Joel

III. Presentation/Discussion Items

- A. Administration, Board and HR Deanna/Josh
- B. Community Relations Dale/Angeline
- C. Development Angeline/Dana
- D. Educational Program LaDene/Dale
- E. Diversity Dana/LaDene
- F. Facilities Josh/Nancy
- G. Financial Nancy/Deanna

IV. Action Items (voting)

- A. August 6 meeting minutes - Josh presented minutes. Motion to approve was made by Dana and seconded by Angeline, passing unanimously
- B. Personnel contracts reviewed. Motion to approve was made by Josh and seconded by Dana, passing unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 5:28

V. Adjournment

Your Governing Board

The governing board recognizes that public support and open lines of communication are the keys to our school's success.

We encourage you to become involved in our school, to be informed about issues that affect students, parents, and our staff, to inform board members about your concerns, and to attend board meetings.

The responsibility of the Governing Board of East Cooper Montessori Charter School is to ensure excellence in the governance of a quality educational program by supporting the school's mission and charter, analyzing needs, establishing policies, allocating resources, and monitoring progress.

Board Meetings

Regular meetings of the Governing Board are held the third Thursday of each month, beginning at 6:00 pm at East Cooper Montessori Charter School. Special-called meetings are scheduled as needed.

Citizen Participation

Anyone wishing to speak to the Board must register in person the night of the regular meeting. The opportunity to address the Board at each regular Board Meeting is 20 minutes at the beginning of the meeting.

- Each speaker has three minutes.
- Speakers may not ask questions of board members.
- Board members may not engage speakers in discussion.
- Disruptive behavior is not permitted.
- Personal attacks aimed at students or staff are not permitted.
- Scurrilous, obscene, or recklessly defamatory language aimed at any board member is not permitted.

The board will follow up on all matters presented by speakers.