

# Coastal Montessori Charter School

## Board of Directors Meeting

Monday, May 9th, 2016 ~ 6:00 PM

### **BOARD MEMBER ROLL CALL**

The following members of the Board were present:

Kristin Bohan, Jason Hendrix, Rob Horvath, Gene Mannella, Cathy Scott, Scott Steffen, and Rachel Tomovski

The following Board members were absent:

Stella Mercado

### **OTHER ATTENDEES**

Nathalie Hunt, CMCS Principal

### **CALL TO ORDER**

Chair, Mr. Rob Horvath, called the meeting to order at 6:02PM.

### **COMPLIANCE WITH FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT (FOIA)**

Chair, Mr. Horvath read aloud the FOIA statement.

### **READING OF THE MISSION STATEMENT**

Board Secretary, Ms. Rachel Tomovski, read aloud the CMCS mission statement.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

There were no comments.

### **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA AND THE APRIL MINUTES**

Mr. Gene Mannella made a motion to accept both May's agenda and the April Minutes (previously circulated) as presented. Dr. Kristin Bohan seconded the motion. The Board VOTED unanimously to approve both agenda and minutes, and the motion passed.

### **DIRECTOR REPORT**

Dr. Nathalie Hunt shared the following information with the Board:

The wait list for 2016-17 continues to grow.

She has received a resignation from an Upper Elementary Lead, and will move a T.A. into that position for next year. This T.A. will complete her second session of training this summer. Current openings for next year are two T.A. positions and one Lower Elementary Lead position. Dr. Hunt, following the advice and example of Jody Swanigan at East Cooper Montessori Charter School, will be reassigning the Teaching Assistants who have been with the same Lead for a few years.

Major purchases for next year will include computers, software, charging carts, and furniture. Furniture will need to be ordered in October for December delivery when the new building is ready. She also plans to hold off on ordering the computers until they are needed in the new building for second semester next year.

There is an independent website called “School Digger” comparing area schools, which Dr. Hunt recently discovered. She shared with the Board that CMCS is portrayed on this website in a very favorable light.

With regards to the Read to Succeed initiative, Dr. Hunt is working with the CMCS Literacy Coach to devise a reading plan. Six CMCS students have been invited to participate in the summer program offered by the district. So far, one student’s family has committed to taking advantage of this. Dr. Hunt is able to assure families that the program is indeed worthwhile and does make a difference, as the CMCS student who participated last summer, has shown tremendous growth this year.

**FINANCIAL REPORT**

Treasurer, Mr. Jason Hendrix, facilitated the SECOND READING of the FY-17 Annual Operating BUDGET.

**CONSTRUCTION UPDATE**

Chair Horvath reported that, to date, 2.9 M has been drawn, leaving 2.4 M remaining in the original loan amount. FBI is projecting a completion date in November. Dr. Cathy Scott offered that CCU students require volunteer hours and that if she knows when they might be needed to pack and move classrooms, she can schedule them now.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Chair Horvath asked for a motion to move into Executive Session to discuss a Personnel Issue. Dr. Bohan so moved. Mr. Hendrix seconded, and the Board VOTED unanimously to move to Executive Session at 6:43 PM.

**RETURN TO OPEN SESSION**

Following the discussion, Mr. Mannella moved to return to Open Session. Dr. Scott seconded, and the Board VOTED unanimously to return to Open Session at 7:10 PM.

**MEETING ADJOURNED**

There being no further business to be transacted, the meeting was adjourned at 7:11 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Rachel Tomovski  
CMCS Board Secretary