

APPROVED
COASTAL MONTESSORI CHARTER SCHOOL
MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
MONDAY, August 21, 2023

Directors Present:

Meagan Leventis, Christy Emry, Ricky Ferdon, Ashley Nelson, Fedrick Cohens, Nicole Isaia, Julie Dew, Jason Hendrix, Tera Marshall

Also Present:

Chris Bergeron, Chris (Coastal Observer), Bill Gaskins, Jason Hedricks, April Kaylor (PTO)

- **Call to Order**

- a. **Quorum: Yes**

A meeting of the Board of Directors of Coastal Montessori Charter School (CMCS) was held on Monday, August 21, 2023 at 6:02 pm in person and via Zoom. The meeting was called to order by Meagan Leventis at 6:02 pm. Ricky, second Ashey.

- b. **Approval of Agenda:**

Meagan Leventis presented the agenda to the Board for the meeting. Meagan motioned for approval of the agenda as presented. The motion passes.

- c. **Approval of Minutes**

Meagan Leventis presented the minutes from the July 17, 2023 meeting to the Board. Minutes stand as distributed. The motion passes. Ricky, Nicole

- **Information Items**

- Swearing in of Jason Hendricks by Bill Gaskins

- **Financial Report:**

- Given by Melissa Kiddy (Veris)

- **PTO Report presented by April Kaylor**

Working on shade structure. Trying to figure out the best way to have it moved and more functional. Will go over all volunteer opportunities at the next PTO meeting.

- **Director's Report presented by Chris Bergeron, Director**

- Current Enrollment: 245
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 - Projected Enrollment: 245
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- Wait List for 2023-2024
- Grade 1: 11
- Grade 2: 5
- Grade 3: 10
- Grade 4: 8
- Grade 5: 1
- Grade 6: 9
- Grade 7: 5
- Grade 8: 2
- TOTAL: 51
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- Transfers:
- In: 20 Students
- 3 - PICA
- 2 - CREECS
- 6 - WES, WIS, WMS
- 5 - KES, GMS
- 1 - Trinity Christian
- 1 - home school
- 2 - FBCMI
- Out: 19 Students
- 5 - Moved out of state
- 7 - WES, WIS, WMS
- 6 - KES, MES, GMS, RMS
- 1 - SES
- 1 - home school
- Positive opening to school.
- Good feedback regarding videos.
- Carpool
- Security
- Field Experiences
- GCSD
- September 15th - all 4th graders - Bring Harriet Home
- Statue and one woman show
- USC Center for Civil Rights
- Justice for All - South Carolina and the Civil Rights Movement
- October 9th through December 16th
- Georgetown Southern Community Library
- Provide free classroom resources as well
- Security Update
- We follow District protocols with regard to security
- New SRO - Officer Chris Dukes

- ERTC Funding: Employee Retention Tax Credit
- \$169,442.70 plus interest
- Completion of window film project once construction is complete.
- Construction project as needed
- Fundraising Update
- We are going to continue the fundraisers that we have had in the past
- i.e. Christmas trees, Movie Night, Montessori Marketplace, etc.
- Looking at a three tiered approach this year.
- Brick Pavers - September
- 3 week fundraiser for new bricks to be engraved on the walkway outside the main entrance.
- Sponsorships
- Evaluated WES, WMS, and WHS Athletic Booster Club
- Tie in our major fundraising programs together.
- LE Events - 3rd grade sleepover, field experiences
- UE Events - field experiences, 6th grade MMUN
- MS Events - field experiences, CIMI trip
- Graduated levels of sponsorship which would generate money for the school and selected trips in one payment, instead of many.
- Capital Campaign - October/November
- IReady Testing Update:
- IReady decided to change how our teachers and students log into the system. We will have to utilize Classlink in order to access testing which will cost additional money. Approx. \$1,000
- SC Ready and Pass
- Scores from the Spring will be made public after September 5
- GCSD Board Meeting: Tuesday, August 15
- Presentation in Board folder
- Zip Code
- Town
- Total Enrollment
- Percentage of total enrollment
- Enrollment in August 2020
- Percentage of Enrollment in 2020
- 29440
- Georgetown
- 79
- 33%
- 35
- 15%
- 29510
- Andrews

- 11
- 5%
- 3
- 1%
- 29576
- Murrells Inlet
- 33
- 13%
- 17
- 7%
- 29585
- Pawleys Island
- 118
- 49%
- 172
- 74%
- Starting our Marketing campaign
- Securing a billboard of 521 for Oct, Nov, Dec
- Preparing for our targeted mailing of homes with school aged children within 5 miles of every elementary school.

- **Public Comments**

There were no requests for public comment.

Chairpersons Report given by Meagan Leventis:

Reviewing policies from 2020. Next weeks, months, will redline and make changes then go for review. Will then be submitted to the board for approval.

- **Action Items given by Chris Bergeron:**

Insurance Renewal- August 15, insurance lapsed for school and staff. Current policy is with Selective Insurance. Were not able to find any policy with better rates. Renewal rate is \$12,835.00. Motion passes to renew.

- **Adjournment**

Meagan Leventis made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion passes. The meeting adjourned at 6:41 p.m.

Next Scheduled Meeting: September 18, 2023 at 6:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Christy Emry Secretary