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March MSC Board of Directors Meeting Agenda

March 19, 2025 at 6:00 PM

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| 1. Call to Order/Mission Statement | Dr. Deanna Taylor, President |
| Meeting began @ 6:09 pm by Crystal Mallner (adjourned at 6:40 pm) | |
| 2. Public Forum/Comment | Dr. Deanna Taylor, President |
| 3. Approval of 1/15, 1/21, 1/25 & 2/19 Minutes | Dr. Kimberly Green, Secretary |
| 4. Treasurer's Report | Tyler Feldt, Treasurer |
| a. Finance and Audit Report | |
| 5. Head of School Report | Interim-Head of School |
| 6. Committee Reports | |
| a. Building and Grounds | Simon Booth, Chair |
| a. Safety Committee | |
| b. Fund Development | Vacant |
| c. Community Relations & Lottery | Vacant |
| d. Nominating | Crystal Mallner, Vice President |
| e. PAC President Report | Erin Hale, PAC President |
| f. Governance/Policy Review | Jose Garcia, Chair |
| g. Strategic Plan | Jennifer Thomas, Chair |
| h. Head of School & Board Evaluations | Dr. Kimberly Green, Chair |
| 7. Old Business | Dr. Deanna Taylor, President |
| a. Summer 2025 Intercession | |
| 8. New Business | Dr. Deanna Taylor, President |
| 9. Adjournment @ 6:40 pm | |

Per Jennifer Thomas wonderful Meeting Minutes notetaking:

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The meeting was called to order at 6:09 by Crystal, who is standing in for Deanna, who is ill.

Crystal read the mission statement

No Public forum or comment was given

The treasurer's report was sent, but Trevor is out because his wife has a baby. Simon said there is no news, and things were settling down

HOS- Brenda said the enrollment link was posted to the website. 15 new applications were submitted. 148 are on the waitlist, but they will need to reapply for the school year. There will be 45 slots available for the 25-26 school year. The number may increase due to some not returning. Interviews will be started for four that are not returning and there are 18 current teachers. The curriculum director needs to be filled as well as the math interventionist. We need a SPED teacher since we have more referrals.

Meredith had a visit from DSS on Feb 22. There was a boppy in a crib, rugs that needed to be taken down, a toilet with a pink ring, and a tracking sheet incorrect with a number of students. It was an extended day; trash was on the playground, and the sandbox didn't have a lid. DSS wrote these up, and they were all fixed in a week. Staff needs to do active supervision according to the Childcare resource and referral to help.

March intercession had 48 students. The calendar for the year has been posted to the site, and a math camp is going well. Ms Coleman would like to have a stipend given to those who helped. We are working on aligning the math standards with Montessori. We are also working on a proposal for a reading camp if students do not make the required level. WIS wanted to spot us, but the dates did not work out for them. They will call the next time they come out.

Simon-the roof is getting repaired on March 31. It will take 2-3 days, just a repair to keep out the water and rain. We will have a lot of money left over from the grant, and Simon would like to explore improving the play areas- we have 80K left over. He has ideas about clearance items and can get good items. The money can be used for anything that is in the benefit of the school. Ms. Coleman asked if a room could be expanded. Simon needs to

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reach out to Mr James to change lightbulbs and other things. In the next month, we hope to have the new website up and running. There is a new Facebook page is up and can be seen.

<https://www.facebook.com/people/The-Montessori-School-of-Camden/61568649202319/>

Crystal- The April Board meeting is in person (required) on April 23rd. Deanna and Crystal were ready for a new member to come but could not attend.

Erin- Teacher appreciation week is coming up. She needs to understand how to get to the fund used to help pay for lunch for the teachers.

Jose- sent in a report and was not present at the meeting

Jennifer- had nothing to report

The old business summer 2025 intercession is being determined if we will have it since we would initially be moving to a new building when it was decided. Crystal suggested that we work on things for the school and get improvements done.

New business- There is no new business

We do not have enough people to approve the minutes, so they will be approved in April.

Shennaya makes a motion to adjourn the meeting, and Simon seconds it.

The meeting ended at 6:40 pm

ATTENDANCE: Jennifer Thomas, Crystal Mallner, Tyler Feldt, Simon Booth, Erin Hale, Shennaya Pons, Brenda Coleman, Meredith Goodrich