

**Maria Montessori Academy  
Board of Directors Meeting  
Tuesday, October 13, 2015**

**Location:** 2505 N. 200 E.  
North Ogden, UT 84414



**In Attendance:** Preston Allen, Loma Prince, Tony Bassett, Joan Effiong, Mary Wurm, Stephanie Speicher, Kim Dohrer, and Ryan Arrington

**Public Present:** Dore Elmer

*The mission of Maria Montessori Academy is to provide an individualized grade K-9 education that promotes academic excellence founded on the authentic philosophy of Dr. Maria Montessori. MMA will craft each child's education in partnership with educators and parents to achieve higher levels of academic, personal and social achievement, thereby preparing students to become constructive contributors to their community.*

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## **AGENDA**

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### **5:43 PM – CALL TO ORDER**

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Dore Elmer publically thanked the board, Stephanie Speicher and Maria Montessori Academy. Preston Allen publically thanked Dore Elmer for her service as a board member at Maria Montessori Academy.

#### **CONSENT ITEMS**

- August 13, 2015 Board Meeting Minutes  
Loma Prince motioned to approve the August 13, 2015 Board Meeting minutes.  
Mary Wurm seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
  
- Ratify New Hires: Lora Dipoma, Stephanie Ellis  
Mary Wurm motioned to the new hires. Tony Bassett seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

#### **REPORTS**

- Directors Report  
Stephanie Speicher updated the board on happenings at Maria Montessori Academy. There was training held in conjunction with Westminster College. There is an increase in the number of IEP students and Stephanie discussed items related to this population of students. The school recently held their annual 5k/pancake breakfast and had wonderful success with it. She also updated the board on October 1 count and final numbers. Stephanie Speicher regularly meets with Ryan Arrington to manage the 2015-2016 Budget.

- Budget Report –  
Ryan Arrington provided an overview of the budget for MMA. The board had a few questions for Ryan. Ryan discussed the money that would be transferred to the PTIF account from the Operating Account.

### **BUSINESS ITEMS (to be discussed and/or voted)**

- PTIF Transfer  
The board discussed the PTIF Transfer. Ryan Arrington provided information about how much money could be transferred. Loma Prince motioned to approve the PTIF Transfer in the amount of \$81,000. Mary Wurm seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
- Arrest Reporting Policy  
Kim Dohrer updated the board on the need for the Arrest Reporting Policy. This policy will apply to volunteers, employees, and board members. Mary Wurm motioned to approve the Arrest Reporting Policy. Joan Effiong seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
- Building Use Policy  
The board discussed various scenarios regarding groups using the building and how the building use policy affects these groups. Loma Prince motioned to approve the Building Use Policy. Tony Bassett seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
- Civil Rights Policy  
Kim Dohrer provided the items outlined in Civil Rights Policy. Joan Effiong motioned to approve the Civil Rights Policy. Mary Wurm seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
- FERPA Policy  
Kim Dohrer outlined the student record procedures for FERPA. Mary Wurm motioned to approve the FERPA Policy. Loma Prince seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
- Political Signs on School Property  
Kim Dohrer updated the board on the Political Signs on School Property Policy. Loma Prince motioned to approve the Political Signs on School Property Policy. Tony Bassett seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
- Utah Consolidated Application Plan

The board had a discussion regarding the Utah Consolidated Application Plan. This plan needs to be approved every year. Joan Effiong motioned to approve the

Utah Consolidated Application Plan. Tony Bassett seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

- UAPCS Membership

Stephanie Speicher and Preston Allen updated the board on the organizations that represent charter schools in Utah. Mary Wurm motioned to approve the UAPCS Membership up to \$5,000. Joan Effiong seconded. Voting as follows: Preston Allen – Aye, Mary Wurm – Aye, Joan Effiong – Aye, Tony Bassett – Aye, Loma Prince – Nay. Motion passed.

## **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

- Building Committee Update. Stephanie updated the board on the Building Expansion Committee. This year will be their fact-finding year in preparation to build in a couple of years. The committee will be setting a date to visit other schools..
- Card Reader Procedures – Stephanie Speicher provided the board with an update regarding Card Readers and the procedures for their use at Maria Montessori Academy.

## **OTHER ITEMS**

- Action Items
- Calendaring
  - Board Meeting November 10, 2015
  - December 4<sup>th</sup> – MMA Staff Party

## **ADJOURN**

Loma Prince motioned to adjourn at 7:23 PM. Mary Wurm seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.