

**Maria Montessori Academy**  
**Board of Directors Meeting**  
**Tuesday, October 7, 2014**

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



In Attendance: Preston Allen, Dore Elmer, Loma Prince, Amir Jackson, Stephanie Speicher (Directory), Kirk Blake (AW), Ryan Arrington (AW), Kim Dohrer (AW)

Excused: Mary Wurm, Joan Effiong

Also in attendance: Mande Stephens, Kim Frank, and Craig Frank

*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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## MINUTES

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### 5:44 PM – CALL TO ORDER by Preston Allen

#### Presentation

- Utah Charter Network  
Kim Frank and Craig Frank presented on the Utah Charter Network (UCN).

#### CONSENT ITEMS

- September 9, 2014 Board Meeting Minutes  
Loma Prince made a motion to approve September 9 Board Meeting Minutes. Dore Elmer seconded. Motion passed.
  
- New Hires: Melinda Montgomery—Teaching Assistant  
Dore Elmer made a motion to approve the new hire: Melinda Montgomery. Amir Jackson seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

#### REPORTS

- Directors Report  
Stephanie Speicher spoke on leadership development at the school. Stephanie covered the October 1 enrollment count for Maria Montessori Academy. She also provided an overview of the community involvement and school extracurricular activities. Stephanie discussed the Literacy Improvement Plan with the board. Kim Dohrer noted the requirements from the state and how K-3 funding is set by results of the 3<sup>rd</sup> grade DIBELS assessment.
  
- Budget Report –

Ryan Arrington met with the budget committee (Preston, Loma, and Stephanie. Ryan noted that the updated current budget is an amended budget because of the UCA change.

## **VOTING ITEMS**

- Parent Grievance Policy

Preston Allen gave an overview of the proposed changes to give more clarification for as to the process for expressing grievances to the board and school director. Kim Dohrer expressed appreciation to Preston Allen for helping to make these changes.

Loma Prince made a motion to approve the Parent Grievance Policy. Dore Elmer seconded. Motion passed unanimously

- Contract for Speech Services

Amir Jackson made a motion to approve the renewal contract for speech services. Dore Elmer seconded. Motion passed unanimously

- Amended Budget

Dore Elmer made a motion to approve the amended budget. Loma Prince seconded. Motion passed unanimously

- UCA Plan

Kim Dohrer gave an overview of the funding sources for Utah Consolidated Achievement (UCA).

Dore Elmer made a motion to approve UCA Plan. Amir Jackson seconded. Motion passed unanimously

## **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

- Action Items

- Calendaring

- Next Board Meeting – November 11, 2014

Amir Jackson was excused at 7:13PM

## **Training**

- Board Governance Training- Loma Prince

- Charter School Board University Chapter 14

Loma Prince covered chapter 14 of the Charter School Board University. She discussed financial reports and the need for them. Loma Prince also expressed gratitude for having Academica West as a partner to help with these reports.

## **ADJOURN**

Dore Elmer made a motion to adjourn the board meeting at 7:21PM; Loma Prince seconded. Motion passed unanimously.