

Montessori Regional Charter School  
Board of Trustees Meeting  
September 12, 2007

**Board Members Present:**

Mary Burrows	Sue Carnes	Chris Marsh
Stephanie Taylor	Ali Samuels	Charlie Witchcoff
Beth Iadeluca	Ali Scarpitti	Mary Slusarz
Tracy Wilczynski	Mary Connerty	Leesl Warren
Ken Gamble	Margo Wolfe	

**Board Members not in attendance:** Joe Kaiser

**Also in attendance:** Anthony Pirrello, CEO/Administrator, Jane Binder, Administrative Assistant, Tom Pendleton, Board Solicitor, Jill Duncan, Teacher Liaison to the Board of Trustees

**Public in Attendance:** Laurie Rogan, Laura Mott, Kathy DeDad, Jonilee Hlusko, Katie Perry, Janie Callahan, Terri White, Cheryl Schodt, Sharon Wright, Ashley Chapman, Marty Maly and Joseph Shaffer

**Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 6:07 PM by Mary Burrows, President, leading the Pledge of Allegiance.

Margo Wolfe began the meeting with a request to go directly to Executive Session to deal with a number of issues related to the actions of the HR committee.

Brief discussion on the purpose of Executive Session and definition under Sunshine laws. The Board of Trustees may elect to conduct an executive session when discussing issues related to employment, termination, promotion or discipline of any employee.

**Motion made to go into Executive Session:**

Moved by: Margo Wolfe

Seconded By: Mary Connerty

Role Call Vote:

Mary Burrows –	No
Susan Carnes –	Yes
Mary Connerty -	Yes
Ken Gamble -	Yes
Elizabeth Iadeluca	No
Joseph Kaiser	Absent
Chris Marsh	Yes
Alsion Samuels	Yes
Alison Scarpitti	No
Mary Slusarz	Yes
Stephanie Taylor	No
Leesl Warren	Yes
Tracy Wilcynski	No
Charlie Witchcoff	No
Margo Wolfe	Yes

Motion Carried by 8 to 6

Board of Trustees moved into Executive Session at approximately 6:15 PM

**Motion to leave Executive Session to hear Public Comments:**

Moved by: Beth Iadeluca

Seconded by: Charlie Witchcoff

Roll call vote:

Mary Burrows –	Yes
Susan Carnes –	Yes
Mary Connerty -	Yes
Ken Gamble -	Yes
Elizabeth Iadeluca	Yes
Joseph Kaiser	Absent
Chris Marsh	Yes
Alsion Samuels	Yes

Alison Scarpitti	Yes
Mary Slusarz	Yes
Stephanie Taylor	Yes
Leesl Warren	Yes
Tracy Wilcynski	Yes
Charlie Witchcoff	Yes
Margo Wolfe	Yes

Motion Carried by 14 to 0

Return to Public Session at approximately 6:35 pm

- A. **Public Comment:** Public Comment was defined for the public as limited to 5 minutes for those people who had requested time in advance and a limit of three minutes for those who signed up for public comment that evening.

The following people made statements at the meeting:

Laurie Rogan, Martin Maly, Sharon Wright and Jill Duncan

Board of Trustees returned to Executive Session: 7:05 PM

**Motion to return to Public Session: 8:17 PM**

Moved By: Mary Slusarz                      Seconded by: Ali Samuels

**PTO Report:** None

**Approval of Minutes:** Minutes for August 2007 Board of Trustees meeting were read and accepted as amended: Capitalize the T in Tom Pendleton's name and revise section i. of Executive Committee report to reflect that Anthony Pirrello has not received an annual review for the 2006-07 school year.

**Motion to accept August 2007 Board Minutes as amended:**

Moved by: Mary Burrows

Seconded by: Ali Samuels

1. Reviewed reports – A/P, A/R, Aging Summaries, Balance Sheet and Statement of Earnings
2. Receivables – short on cash in September
3. Strong Balance Sheet
4. Permission to move all accounts to FNB (First National Bank)
5. Permission to expand line of credit to \$100,000. at FNB

**Motion to transfer money from Northwest Savings Bank to FNB**

Moved by: Beth Iadeluca

Seconded by: Leesl Warren

Motion passed by show of hands – 14 to 0

**Motion to pursue expanding line of credit to \$100,000.**

Moved by: Beth Iadeluca

Seconded by: Margo Wolfe

Motion passed by show of hands – 14 to 0

Discussion regarding insuring that no accounts will be closed until all new accounts are open and fully in use.

Discussion regarding check signing – Needs to be a plan to have them signed more than once a month.

**Motion to accept financial reports as submitted:**

Moved by: Sue Carnes

Seconded by: Ali Samuels

Motion passed by show of hands – 14 to 0

No CEO Report

No Executive Committee Report

No HR Report

No Policy Committee Report  
No Building and Grounds Committee report

**Old Business:** NONE

**New Business:**

**Motion to ask for resignation of Mary Burrows from leadership position on the Board of Trustees**

Moved by: Mary Connerty

Seconded by: Susan Carnes

Role Call Vote:

Mary Burrows –	No
Susan Carnes –	Yes
Mary Connerty -	Yes
Ken Gamble -	Yes
Elizabeth Iadeluca	No
Joseph Kaiser	Absent
Chris Marsh	Yes
Alston Samuels	Yes
Alison Scarpitti	Absent
Mary Slusarz	Yes
Stephanie Taylor	Absent
Leesl Warren	Yes
Tracy Wilczynski	No
Charlie Witchcoff	No
Margo Wolfe	Yes

Motion carried by vote of 8 to 4

**Motion to ask for resignation of Stephanie Taylor from leadership position on the Board of Trustees**

Moved by: Mary Connerty

Seconded by: Margo Wolfe

Role Call Vote:

Mary Burrows –	No
Susan Carnes –	Yes
Mary Connerty -	Yes
Ken Gamble -	Yes
Elizabeth Iadeluca	Yes
Joseph Kaiser	Absent
Chris Marsh	Yes
Alston Samuels	Yes
Alison Scarpitti	Absent
Mary Slusarz	Yes
Stephanie Taylor	Absent
Leesl Warren	Yes
Tracy Wilcynski	No
Charlie Witchcoff	No
Margo Wolfe	Yes

Motion carried by vote of 9 to 3

Tom Pendleton advised that board has to formally ask Mary Burrows to resign.

Leesl Warren, as next officer (Secretary) in line, asked Mary Burrows to resign her leadership position on the Board.

Mary Burrows resigned as President of the Board of Trustees.

Leesl Warren was asked to accept the position of President of the Board of Trustees for the balance of the term.

### **Motion to elect Leesl Warren as President of the Board of Trustees**

Moved by: Mary Connerty

Seconded by: Margo Wolfe

Show of Hands vote – Unanimous

### **Motion to elect Susan Carnes as Secretary of the Board of Trustees**

Moved by: Mary Connerty                      Seconded by: Margo Wolfe

Show of Hands vote – Unanimous

**Motion to leave all open Board positions vacant**

Moved by: Margo Wolfe                      Seconded by Susan Carnes

Show of Hands vote – Unanimous

**Motion to suspend all committee activity with the exception of the Finance Committee until an ad hoc committee recommends action to the full Board of Trustees**

Moved by: Sue Carnes                      Seconded by: Chris Marsh

Show of Hands vote – Unanimous

Ad Hoc Committee formed of Susan Carnes, Leesi Warren, Ken Gamble, Margo Wolfe, Anthony Pirrello and Tom Pendleton

**Motion that the ad hoc committee be charged with reviewing the recommendations of Brian Carpenter to revise the current charter by laws.**

Moved by: Margo Wolfe                      Seconded by: Mary Connerty

Show of Hands vote – Unanimous

Motion to adjourn

Moved by: Leesi Warren                      Seconded by: Ken Gamble

Meeting adjourned at 9:18 pm