



**Montessori Regional Charter School  
Board of Trustees Meeting  
February 17, 2022**

**Board Members Present:**

Craig Palmer  
Mike Estrich  
Kristina Semeniken  
Melvyn Nair – virtually  
Jill Merritt – virtually  
Ashley Sullivan – virtually

**Board Members Absent:**

Kaley Getz  
Jason Lavery

**Also in attendance:** Mark Zielinski, CEO, Tom Pendleton, Board Solicitor, Trisha Snook, Business Manager

**Call to Order:** Craig Palmer, President, called the meeting to order at 6:06pm and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Public Comment:** Michael Griffith – ending the school mask mandate

**Approval of Minutes:**

**Motion to approve minutes of the January 20, 2022 Board Meeting:**

Moved by: Michael Estrich                      Seconded by: Kristina Semeniken

Motion passed by the following roll call vote:

Estrich	Getz	Lavery	Merritt	Nair	Palmer	Semeniken	Sullivan
Y	--	--	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Motion to approve items on Consent Agenda:**

Moved by: Ashley Sullivan                      Seconded by: Melvyn Nair

Motion passed by the following roll call vote:

Estrich	Getz	Lavery	Merritt	Nair	Palmer	Semeniken	Sullivan
Y	--	--	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y

**Motion to approve the proposed 2022-2023 School Year Calendar:**

Moved by: Jill Merritt

Seconded by: Michael Estrich

Motion passed by the following roll call vote:

Estrich	Getz	Lavery	Merritt	Nair	Palmer	Semeniken	Sullivan
Y	--	--	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y

**Motion to approve the Modification Agreement with Northwest Savings Bank:**

Moved by: Melvyn Nair

Seconded by: Ashley Sullivan

Motion passed by the following roll call vote:

Estrich	Getz	Lavery	Merritt	Nair	Palmer	Semeniken	Sullivan
Y	--	--	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y

**Motion to approve and accept the Charter amendment previously approved by the Erie School District and Millcreek Township School District to authorize implementation of 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade at MRCS:**

Moved by: Kristina Semeniken

Seconded by: Michael Estrich

Motion passed by the following roll call vote:

Estrich	Getz	Lavery	Merritt	Nair	Palmer	Semeniken	Sullivan
Y	--	--	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y

**ORGANIZATIONAL EXCELLENCE & STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT**

**CEO Report: Mark Zielinski**

Moved by: Melvyn Nair

Seconded by: Kristina Semeniken

Motion passed by the following roll call vote:

Estrich	Getz	Lavery	Merritt	Nair	Palmer	Semeniken	Sullivan
Y	--	--	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y

**SCHOOL COMPLIANCE**

**Committee Reports**

**Financial Oversight**

**Motion to accept Financial Oversight Committee report:**

Moved by: Michael Estrich

Seconded by: Ashley Sullivan

Motion passed by the following roll call vote:

Estrich	Getz	Lavery	Merritt	Nair	Palmer	Semeniken	Sullivan
Y	--	--	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y

**Public Meeting adjourned at 6:56pm**

**Executive Session called to discuss Real Estate and Personnel matters at 6:57pm**

**Public Meeting reconvened at 7:35pm**

**Motion to approve and accept the CEO performance review (July 1, 2020 – December 31, 2021) and adjust the CEO's salary from \$110,250 to \$116,950 per year retroactive to July 1, 2021 for the pay period of July 1, 2021 to December 31, 2022 or until adjusted by the Board of Trustees. A net bonus of \$2,000 shall be awarded and paid as part of the next payroll in recognition of the CEO meeting strategic goals set as part of the prior performance review.**

Moved by: Michael Estrich      Seconded by: Melvyn Nair

Motion passed by the following roll call vote:

Estrich	Getz	Lavery	Merritt	Nair	Palmer	Semeniken	Sullivan
Y	--	--	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y

**Public Meeting adjourned at 7:38pm.**

  
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Jill Merritt, Board Secretary

  
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Date:

Recorded by: Michele Reed, Board Recorder  
Submitted by: Jill Merritt, Board Secretary