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**Monocacy Montessori Communities, Incorporated (MMCI)**

**Meeting Minutes – APPROVED SEPTEMBER 17, 2016.**

**Wednesday, August 24, 2016 @ 7:00 pm**

**Location: MVMPCS, 217 Dill Ave.**

**Trustees Present:** Melissa Najera, Kathleen Luttrell, Yvette Rood, James Kleimola, Jen Nichols, Erin Frank, Liz Seal, Adam Kenney, Sara Fallati, Matt Mills

**Trustees Absent:** Jeff Kohler, Amanda Erard

**Others Present:** Marilyn Horan, Amy Duvall, Nancy Radkiewicz, Kevin Wilfong, Michael Beth Edwards

- I. Call to Order/Welcome Melissa Najera
  
- II. Community Comments
  
- III. Consent Agenda Items
  - A. June 22, 2016 meeting minutes Evote passed on 7/14/16
  - B. Balance Sheet, Bank Recs, Finance Report Melissa Najera
  
- IV. Reports
  - A. CCMPCS VP Report Liz Seal
  - B. MVMPCS VP Report Kathleen Luttrell
  
- V. Updates
  - A. MVM GC Chair/Principal update Nancy Radkiewicz
  - B. CCM GC Chair/Principal update Marilyn Horan
  - C. Programs Jen Nichols
  - D. Fundraising Erin Frank
  - E. CCM Building Liz Seal
  - F. MSDE Accreditation & Pre-K Grant Melissa Najera
  
- VI. Discussion/Action Items
  - A. School Budget FY17 Melissa Najera

**MOTION** by Melissa, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Matt, to approve CCM FY17 budget, passes with all in favor

**MOTION** by Melissa, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Erin to approve MVM FY17 budget, passes with all in favor
  - B. Messler Training Melissa Najera
    - 1. Request to approve teacher training, supplemental funding and reimbursement for tuition payments

**MOTION** by Melissa, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Liz to approve the request for supplemental funding, as it is written.

**PASSES** 8 in favor and 2 abstains
  - C. MMCI Fundraising Calendar Erin Frank
    - 1. Fundraising has been simplified and is less specific than in years past
    - 2. Amy raised concerns regarding the various requests from teachers for donations and items
      - a. It was suggested that this concern be brought to the CCM GC to ensure policies regarding asking for donations are being followed.

**MOTION** by Melissa, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Erin to approve 2016-2017 MMCI fundraising calendar

**PASSES** with all in favor.
  - D. Discussion- School Fundraising
  - E. MVM School Day Length Change

1. The school day has been shortened by 15 minutes so teachers have time to plan, prepare the environment, and communicate with their teams and administration.
2. School hours are now 9:00-3:30 which is similar to 95% of FCPS elementary schools.
3. MVM's GC approved change in dismissal time
4. Some parents were concerned about the impact on instructional time but felt more comfortable after hearing the explanation and learning that the teachers were in favor of the time change.

**MOTION** by Melissa, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Kathleen, to approve the change in the length of the school day at MVM  
**PASSES** with all in favor

F. Discussion- Form Nominating Committee

1. Nominating committee will consist of Melissa, Matt, Amy, and perhaps Adam Kenney, and will require another member from MVM

G. Discussion- BOE candidate forum hosted by MMCI at MVM

1. The weeks of October 17<sup>th</sup> or 24<sup>th</sup> are mostly likely the best dates
2. Action Item: Check with Nancy to see what dates in October are free

VII. Adjourned at 9:26 pm

***Next BOT meeting will be Wednesday, September 28, 2016***