



High Desert Montessori

101 Fantastic Drive, Reno, Nevada 89512

**Board of Directors Meeting (via Zoom)
August 30, 2023, @ 5:00 PM**

1. Call to Order and Roll Call at 5:02

Nicole Commons
Max Haynes (not present)
Bonnie Pillaro
Ashley Allen (not present)
Reid Riker
Jennifer Linn (not present)
Nancy Smith (not present)
Brigitte Frost
Kristen Ashbaugh
Kelly Ryder

2. Public Comment

No public comment at this time.

3. Adopt the Agenda

Member Frost motions to approve the agenda as presented (see supporting documents). Member Riker seconds the motion and it passes unanimously.

4. Approval of Board Minutes from June 14, 2023

Member Riker motions to approve the minutes as presented with a change in the order of the wording of Number 11. (see supporting documents), Member Ashbaugh seconds the motion, and it passes unanimously.

5. Introduction of New Teachers

Administrator Perez introduced new employees for the 2023-2024 school year.
Teacher Caldwell introduced herself.
Teacher Noles introduced herself.
Teacher Lopez introduced himself.

6. Principal Report

Administrator Perez presented an update on professional development, Montessori teacher training, parent education, and academic success including preliminary test data (see supporting documents).

7. Assistant Principal's Report

Administrator Richards presented a brief history of Montessori in the public sector.

8. Board Governance Report and Review of Board Meeting and Board Retreat Dates

Chair Commons presented an update on the Board Governance Committee, including the scheduling of both in-person meetings and the board retreat on the following dates:

In-Person Meetings: November 29, 2023, April 24, 2024, June 12, 2024

Retreat: October 17, 2023

Member Riker motions to approve the In-Person Board Meeting Dates and the Board Retreat Dates as presented, Member Frost seconds the motion, and it passes unanimously.

9. Approval of Eric Perez Job Title Change to Principal/Executive Director

Administrator Miller Mintz requested Mr. Perez's position title be approved to agree with his contract for Principal / Executive Director.

Member Pillaro motions to approve the job title change of Eric Perez from Principal to Principal/Executive Director, Member Riker seconds the motion, and it passes unanimously.

10. Public Comment

Teacher Bodtke commended the administrative team for bringing grants to the preschool program.

Member Riker commented about Big Brothers Big Sisters Justice, Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion program and provided a link in the comments. He also announced that he is opening his own accounting firm.

Member Ashbaugh invited everyone to the PTO Bocce Night on September 23, 2023.

11. Adjournment and Future Agenda Items

Members discussed items for future agendas.

Member Riker motions to adjourn the meeting and Member Pillaro seconds the motion and it passes unanimously. The meeting is adjourned.