



High Desert Montessori

**101 Fantastic Drive, Reno, Nevada 89512**

**Board of Directors Meeting  
February 7, 2024, @ 5:00 PM via Zoom**

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

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

**2. Public Comment**

No public comment at this time.

**3. Adopt the Agenda**

Member Pillaro motions to approve the agenda (see supporting documents), Member Frost seconds the motion and it passes unanimously.

**4. Approval of Board Minutes from November 29, 2023**

Member Smith motions to approve the minutes as presented (see supporting documents), Member Frost seconds the motion, Member Allen abstains and it passes unanimously.

**5. Approval of Land Acknowledgement**

Parent Torres introduced the intent of the JEDI Collaborative and read their mantra.

Administrator Perez read the proposed Land Acknowledgement.

Member Ashbaugh motions to approve the placement of the Land Acknowledgement on the HDMS Website as presented (see supporting documents), Member Allen seconds the motion and it passes

unanimously.

## **6. Approval of the 2024-2025 School Year Calendar**

Administrators Jordan and Perez presented the proposed 2024-2025 School Year Calendar.

Member Smith motions to approve the 2024-2025 School Year Calendar as presented (see supporting documents), Member Pillaro seconds the motion and it passes unanimously.

## **7. Acceptance of Resignation of Nicole Commons**

Member Riker presented the written resignation of Nicole Commons.

Member Allen motions to accept the resignation of Nicole Commons as a member of the HDMS Board and as HDMS Board Chair (see supporting documents), Member Pillaro seconds the motion and it passes unanimously.

## **8. Approval of Reid Riker as HDMS Board Chair and Nancy Smith as Vice Chair**

Member Riker asked for the approval of the change in board positions of Member Riker becoming Board Chair and Member Smith becoming Vice Chair.

Member Pillaro motions to approve Member Riker as HDMS Board Chair and Member Smith as Vice Chair, Member Frost seconds the motion and it passes unanimously.

## **9. Finance Committee Report**

Member Pillaro and Member Riker presented an update from the Finance Committee.

## **10. Update on Financial Policy Manual**

Member Pillaro explained the updates to the Financial Policy Manual.

## **11. Board Faculty Liaison Report**

Teacher Ryder presented the Faculty Liason Report.

## **12. PTO Liaison Report**

Member Ashbaugh presented the PTO Liason Report.

## **13. Public Comment**

Administrator Perez commented about the school lunch program.

#### **14. Adjournment and Future Agenda Items**

Members discussed scheduling the Board Retreat.

Members discussed items for future agendas.

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