



# High Desert Montessori Charter School

101 Fantastic Drive. Reno, Nevada 89512 - 775-624-2800

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

Board of Directors Meeting  
2/25/2026 @ 5:00 PM on **Google Meets**

**Video call link: <https://meet.google.com/yjg-drnd-iio> Or dial: (US) +1 608-909-0101 PIN: 755 483 091#**

High Desert Montessori School's Board of Directors will conduct their public meeting either in-person, virtually, or by phone. All Directors shall attend the meeting in person or remotely. Public members wishing to attend the virtual meeting may do so by using the virtual link or phone information as directed below. Unless otherwise restricted, as noted, the Board may take action on any item. Unless otherwise stated, items may be taken out of order at the discretion of the chairperson. Items may be combined for the Board to consider. Items may be pulled or removed from the agenda at any time. Reasonable efforts will be made to assist and accommodate physically disabled persons desiring to attend the meeting. Please contact the school at 775-624-2800 in advance so arrangements may be conveniently made. Supporting materials will be posted on our website, <https://www.hdmsreno.com/board-information/> no later than 10:00 AM on the day of the board meeting.

The Board of Directors will receive public comment virtually, in person, or via email, at [publiccomment@hdmsreno.com](mailto:publiccomment@hdmsreno.com). All public comments received before and during the meeting will be provided to the Board of Directors. Such comments shall not be read aloud at the meeting but will be recorded in the public record and in the minutes. In-person public comment will be limited to 3 minutes. No action can be taken on any comments, but public input is welcome.

## AGENDA

1. Call to Order and Roll Call (FOR POSSIBLE ACTION)
2. Public Comment
3. Adopt the Agenda (FOR POSSIBLE ACTION)
4. Approval of 1/28/26 Board Meeting Minutes
5. Discuss and approve date of next HDMS Board Meeting (FOR POSSIBLE ACTION)
6. Principal Hiring Committee Update (FOR DISCUSSION ONLY)
7. Faculty Liaison Update (FOR DISCUSSION ONLY)
8. PTO Liaison Update (FOR DISCUSSION ONLY)
9. Principal Update (FOR DISCUSSION ONLY)
10. Public Comment
11. Adjournment and Future Agenda Items (FOR POSSIBLE ACTION)

**Items not acted on at this meeting may be acted on at future meetings.**

*"High Desert Montessori School provides a safe, nurturing school environment that fosters independence, problem-solving skills, and great work in our students. We offer tools to explore the universe through Montessori's Cosmic Education, the purpose of which is to link all areas of human knowledge. We urge all of our students to be participating members of a socially conscious and green community by inspiring them to be critical thinkers capable of reflection, communication, and action. We comply with all Nevada State and Common Core State Standards."*



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HDMS Board meetings are posted at the following places:

- Washoe County School District
- Sparks Library
- Washoe County Administration
- HDMS 101 Fantastic Drive, Reno, NV 89512
- HDMS Website [www.hdmsreno.com](http://www.hdmsreno.com)



**Board of Directors Meeting  
January 28, 2026, @ 5:00 PM  
101 Fantastic Drive, Reno, Nevada 89512**

**1. Call to Order and Roll Call at 5:00**

Anthony Arger  
Ashley Allen  
Bonnie Pillaro  
Kristen Ashbaugh  
Nancy Smith (joined at 5:14)  
Pamala Pollard (not present)  
Reid Riker

**2. Public Comment**

No public comment at this time.

**3. Adopt the Agenda**

Member Arger motions to adopt the agenda (see supporting documents), Member Allen seconds the motion, and it passes unanimously.

**4. Approval of Board Minutes**

Member Ashbaugh motions to approve the minutes from 12/3/25 (see supporting documents), Member Arger seconds the motion, and it passes unanimously.

Member Ashbaugh motions to approve the minutes from 1/15/25 (see supporting documents), Member Arger seconds the motion, and it passes unanimously.

**5. Approval of application to be a part of the Nevada Deferred Compensation Program**

Member Arger motions to approve the filing of the application to be a part of the Nevada Deferred Compensation Program (see supporting documents). Member Allen seconds the motion, and it passes unanimously.

**6. Approval of the 2026-2027 HDMS School Calendar**

Member Pillaro motions to approve the 2026-2027 HDMS School Calendar (see supporting documents), Member Smith seconds the motion, and it passes unanimously.

**7. Approval of Retiree/Critical Needs Special Education Staff Position**

Member Ashbaugh motions to approve the Retiree/Critical Needs Special Education Staff Position, retroactively for the 2025-2026 school year. Member Allen seconds the motion, and it passes unanimously.

**8. Faculty Liaison Update**

The Faculty Liaison Update was tabled.

**9. PTO Liaison Update**

Member Ashbaugh presented the PTO Liaison Update.

**10. Principal Update**

Administrator Perez presented the Principal Update.

**11. Public Comment**

No public comment at this time.

**12. Adjournment and Future Agenda Items**

Members discuss future agenda items. Member Arger motions to adjourn the meeting, Member Pillaro seconds the motion, and it passes unanimously. The meeting is adjourned.