



**GEIST MONTESSORI ACADEMY
BOARD OF DIRECTORS'
MEETING AGENDA**

Meeting Location

GMA North Campus, 13942 E 96th St. McCordsville, IN 46055

Tuesday, March 19, 2019

6:00pm

BOARD MEMBERS

Kirby Durham, President
Kania Lottie, Vice President
Bob McGauley, Treasurer
Uriah Ellis, At-Large Member

Verena Burrows, Secretary
Carman Malone, At-Large Member
Nick Wright, At-Large Member

STAFF

Nik Giant, Interim Co Executive Director
Molly Gregory, Interim Co Executive Director
Karinda Holland, Controller

GUEST

Jessica Heiser, Partner – Church Church Hittle + Antrim

INSTRUCTIONS FOR PRESENTATIONS TO THE BOARD BY PARENTS AND CITIZENS

The Geist Montessori Academy ("School") welcomes your participation at the School's Board meetings. The purpose of a public meeting of the Board of Directors ("Board") is to conduct the affairs of the School in public. We are pleased that you are in attendance and hope that you will visit these meetings often. Your participation assures us of continuing community interest in our School. To assist you in the ease of speaking/participating in our meetings, the following guidelines are provided.

1. Agendas are available to all audience members at the door to the meeting.
2. "Oral Communications" is set aside for members of the audience to raise issues that are not specifically on the agenda. However, due to public meeting laws, the Board can only listen to your issue, not respond or take action. These presentations are limited to three (3) minutes and total time allotted to non-agenda items will not exceed fifteen (15) minutes. The Board may give direction to staff to respond to your concern or you may be offered the option of returning with a citizen-requested item.
3. Citizens may request that a topic related to school business be placed on a future agenda. Once such an item is properly agendized and publicly noticed, the Board can respond, interact, and act upon the item.

4. When addressing the Board, speakers are requested to state their name and adhere to the time limits set forth.

1. Consent Agenda, K. Durham- Called to order 6:15
 - Welcome and Introductions- Role Call: K. Durham, K. Lottie, B. McGauley, V. Burrows, N. Wright, C. Malone, U. Ellis
 - Approval of February Board Minutes- Motion for minutes approval by Nick, second by Uriah. All vote in the affirmative
 - Approval for adjustments to Dec 5 minutes- Carman motions for the approval of these minutes to be amended, seconded by Uriah. All votes in the affirmative.

2. Committee Reviews
 - Executive Directors Report, M. Gregory, N. Giant- Lower El Classroom assistant has put in notice. Kirby will get contact info for exit interview. Summer school dates have been set. This is free for students. Nik G. asks the board to approve the STEM club to return this summer. These dates are as follows: May 28-31, June 3-7, June 17-21, 24-28, July 1-3, 8-12, 22-26, July 29- Aug 2.
The school calendar has been updated to align to state testing dates. Kirby motions to approve summer school dates: July 29- Aug 2 and Aug 5 – 9; STEM dates as stated; and Calendar updates. Nick seconds and all members vote in the affirmative. Molly asks who would like to be sent the Director's Report. Kirby asks that the director's report be sent to the entire board on Carman's suggestion
 - Finance Committee Report, B. McGauley, K. Holland – fixed assets as normal, investment in GMA holding currently has the deposit for the construction loan, land and construction cost- GMA is invested 2.1 million. Common school loan currently sits at 1.7 million. Our expenses are under for this month. Bob reports everything is aligned and that everything is on the right track.
 - Facilities Committee Report, N. Wright

We are working hard to be on schedule. We are still working on the passing blister, eminent domain and a commitment letter. We were approved for the encroachment on the easement. Construction team will be doing a lime stabilization soon, on the recommendation of Patterson Horth, Lauth, and Alt and Witzig, and Lancer & Beebe. We had to approve a change order for this to take place. South Campus Lease extension- Nick suggests we sign a Third Addendum to Lease, which is a 6-month extension of our lease. Our security deposit survives and will be returned within 30 days of lease termination. Nick motions to approve the Third Addendum Lease with Kirby to sign, Carman seconds. All members vote in the affirmative.
Delivery for new building Dec 16, 2019

3. Action Items, K. Durham

- Board Member Search

4. Informational Items

GMA Robotics team has won a place to participate in the World Competition. The team is looking for donations to help with these costs, so they are able to travel to Louisville and participate in this competition.

5. Public Comment

Cheryl Dixon asks if we know a time frame for Sue's return and if she is OK. Jessica H responds that FMLA states that an employee can take 12 weeks of leave and Sue will be taking the entire time. Cheryl asks if there will be an asst. director in the interim. Jessica responds that there will be a co-interim directorship for the time being. Cheryl is concerned about who to know to go to. She feels that is not cohesive to have two Co-Interim directors.

Kania requests that we have an executive meeting to discuss organizational structure.

Felicia Demos suggests that we reach out our GMA community for moving needs.

6. Meeting Adjournment – 6:57