



GEIST MONTESSORI ACADEMY

**GEIST MONTESSORI ACADEMY
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
MEETING MINUTES
For
April 26, 2023**

1. Pledge of Allegiance
2. Welcome and Introductions
 - Call to order - 5:34
 - General Announcements
3. Consent Agenda
 - Approval of outstanding minutes - *Melanie motioned to approve February minutes. Erika seconded the motion. All board members voted yay.*
 - Approval of Vision Statement – “Fostering an environment for learning that empowers all children to think creatively and critically to solve tomorrow’s problems” *Debi motioned to approve the vision statement. Lorrie seconded the motion. All board members voted yay.*
4. Reports
 - Executive Director
 - *3rd grade completed IREAD3. Currently ILEARN testing in grades 3-8*
 - *PD with Chip DeLorenzo around Positive Discipline in the Montessori Classroom in August. (Aug 7th = Family Night and Aug. 8th/9th = Staff PD)*
 - *Hired an onsite Special Education coordinator - Audrey Walters*
 - *Hired a new PreK teachers - Michelle Jones*
 - *Opening a new PreK classroom for the 23/24 school year*
 - *Still looking for classroom teachers, a special area teachers, and support staff*
 - *Requested a variance to our sign ordinance with the town of McCordsville. Meeting on May 3rd.*
 - *Strategic Plan - working on a mission statement with staff. Will solicit parent input on the mission statement as well.*
 - Treasurer/Finance Committee Report
 - *90 days cash on hand*
 - *Expenses down 5% from last year and income is up 7% from this time last year*
 - *No unusual spending this month*
 - *Currently working on our budget for the 23-24 school year. First draft will be available next week*



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- PTO
 - *PTO is sponsoring field day on May 23rd. PFO will be nominating and voting on new officers*
 - *Board Committee*
 - *Looking for someone with a finance, accounting background.*
5. Old Business
 6. New Business
 7. Public Comment
 8. Adjournment - *Erika motion to adjourn. Melanie seconded the motion. Meeting was adjourned at 5:49 p.m.*