

GEIST MONTESSORI ACADEMY BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES November 1, 2023

- 1. Pledge of Allegiance
- 2. Welcome
 - Call to order 5:32
- 3. Consent Agenda
 - Approval of outstanding minutes
 - We circled back to this at the end of the meeting to discuss.
 - Lorrie motioned to hold on the approval of the September minutes based on unresolved portions of the minutes. Erika and Lorrie are working on that for the January meeting.
 - Erika seconded the motion.
 - September minutes were not approved.
- 4. Reports
 - Executive Director
 - Intro and thanks
 - Enrollment
 - 1. Official Count Day was 308 students K-8 (33 more than the approved budget accounted for and 48 more than the state's projections!)
 - 2. School tours will move to once per month now after count day with 12 families on average in attendance each time.
 - 3. There is a waitlist for Pre-K, Lower and Upper Elementary. There are currently limited availability for K, Middle Elementary and Middle School.
 - Celebrations included raising \$555 for Disabled American Veterans.
 - Ms. Jamie and Ms. Taylor are now certified as NCI trainers through CPI.
 - Reminders about carline courtesy and procedures were discussed.
 - Open House 11/14 from 5:30 7:30 pm with multiple information sessions.
 - Treasurer/Finance Committee Report
 - 103 days cash on hand
 - Projected end balance is above budget
 - Received the formative assessment grant
 - Melanie motioned to approve the expense report. Lorrie seconded the motion.
 - PTO
- Fall Festival success
- Dine to Donate @Leo's 11/10 from 4-8
- Family Game Night 11/17 from 6-8

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- 5. Old Business
 - No old business
- 6. New Business for Board Approval
 - No new business
- 7. Public Comment
 - A general question was asked about executive sessions. Jen mentioned that they are not open to the public, the board does not vote and that the public is notified with at least 48 hours notice.
 - Comments were discussed about the arrival and dismissal of the car line and the regulations put in place by the county and McCordsville Police Department. A few members are reaching out to GPD and the Hancock Sheriff's Department to get more guidance and education on how GMA may be able to help their community and parents be more successful.
- 8. Adjournment 5:49 pm
 - Lorrie motioned to adjourn. Erika seconded the motion.