



GEIST MONTESSORI ACADEMY

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

MEETING MINUTES

For

April 24, 2024

1. Pledge of Allegiance
2. Welcome and Introductions
 - a. Call to order – 5:32
 - b. General Announcements
3. Student Presentations
 - a. Ms. Christina and Ms. Leshia's students -1st and 2nd graders - shared their dioramas, STEM and other projects with the board.
4. Consent Agenda
 - a. Approval of outstanding minutes – Lorrie motioned to approve the minutes. Erika seconded the minutes. The motion was approved.
5. Reports
 - a. Treasurer/Finance Committee Report
 - i. 122 Days COH
 - ii. Income is up 22% of this time last year, due to increase enrollment
 - iii. Expenses are up 40% this year
 - iv. Holding a positive balance and above the amount we had budgeted for the EOY.
 - v. Payment was made to buy out the old copiers.
 - b. Executive Director Report
 - i. Lottery slots must be claimed by this Friday. There are waiting lists for each grade level, except for kdg. There is a third kindergarten that is being opened.
 - ii. Ms. Jamie and Ms. Jen are providing tours for families so once they're able to make an informed decision.
 - iii. First hurdle of the bridge has been crossed. Funds have been received. Currently waiting to hear back from the city before we get started.
 - iv. GMA PTA will be officially registered. This will provide bylaws, accounting, auditing, etc. There is a meeting after the carline on Friday, May 10th. There needs to be at least 5 parent or community members present to become a branch of the PTA.



v. Request to increase the enrollment cap for the Fall of 2024. Based on current enrollment projections (returning students = 93%) coupled with expansion of kindergarten. Request for a cap of 375 for the fall for grades K-8. Fall 23 enrollment was 308 Spring enrollment was 304.

vi. Looking to increase salaries, start a new kdg classroom, add special area selections for students. (Environmental students and the 5th class is TBD.) Looking to set funding aside for school safety and overall maintenance.

vii. Lorrie motioned to increase the enrollment cap to 375. Erika seconded. The board approved the motion.

6. Old Business

a. None

7. New Business

a. GMA Board Member candidate

i. Debi motioned to approve Geordan to the board. Lorrie seconded. Geordan has been officially added to the board.

8. Public Comment

a. None

9. Adjournment

a. Erika motioned to adjourn. Lorrie seconded. We adjourned at 6:00.