

CALIFORNIA MONTESSORI PROJECT
REGULAR MEETING OF THE GOVERNING BOARD
May 9, 2011 MINUTES

DATE: Monday, May 9, 2011
TIME: 6:30 pm
MEETING PLACE: Shingle Springs Campus, 4645 Buckeye Road, Shingle Springs, CA 95682
EMERGENCY CONTACT: Gary Bowman at (916) 204-0271

1. MEETING CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL 6:43 PM

1.01 Roll Call	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Nick Dakis	Parent Representative – Elk Grove
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jayna Gaskell	Charter School Representative
	<input type="checkbox"/> Patty Hagemeyer	District Representative – Sacramento City
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Temperance Harkins	Parent Representative – Capitol
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Rob Henderson	Business Representative (Chairperson)
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Raquel Leuze	Parent Representative – American River (Vice President)
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dave Nelson	Parent Representative – Shingle Springs
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jenny Savakus	Community Representative (Chief Financial Officer)
	<input type="checkbox"/> Natasha Vidic	Parent Representative - Carmichael
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Deb Williams	Teacher Representative – American River
	<input type="checkbox"/> Jonathan Wolff	Montessori Representative

Teleconference Location: 15825 St. Alban's Place, Truckee, CA 96161

2. COMMUNICATION FROM PUBLIC/RECOGNITION 6:43 PM

2.01 Recognize meeting hosts
CMP-Shingle Springs was recognized for hosting the meeting.

2.02 Public Comment None.

2.03 Public Acknowledgment
Principal Kim Zawilski acknowledged: Mary Fischer, a 6th grade CMP-SS student who won the school spelling bee and went on to the County spelling bee; Sueanne Zufelt, a parent representative on CAC who has been learning to write grants on behalf of the school; Nora Pease, an Administrative Assistant at CMP-SS who serves as the facilities coordinator, Club M coordinator and the Principal's right hand person.

3. CONSENT AGENDA 6:50 PM

3.01 Minutes from the Regular Governing Board Meeting of April 11, 2011
Jayna Gaskell needs to be added to the Roll Call in the April 11, 2011 Minutes.

3.02 Updated 2010-2011 School Calendar and Instructional Minutes due to School Closures
Dave Nelson moved to approve the Consent Agenda with item 3.01 amended to reflect Jayna Gaskell participated via teleconference. Raquel Leuze seconded the motion.
Voice vote taken: 7 ayes, 0 noes, motion approved.

4. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS 6:54 PM

4.01 Campus Advisory Council Report Sueanne Zufelt
Sueanne reported the CAC's fundraising efforts, including the Raley's Reach Program, which provides awards, based on a community vote. The school would use the money for their "Field of Dreams" project.

Temperance Harkins arrived at 6:55 pm.

4.02 Campus Reports – Shingle Springs Kim Zawilski
Currently the campus is two students over the budgeted numbers, and has received 301 lottery applications for the 2011-2012 school year.

4.03 General Report from the CMP Superintendent/Executive Director Gary Bowman

- Facilities Update: Carmichael
 - The Lease for use of 'La Sierra' is under negotiations (will be discussed in closed session).
- Prop 55: Elk Grove and Shingle Springs
 - Both campuses received a determination of fiscal solvency from CSFA (California School Finance Authority). Gary submitted the appropriate paperwork to OPSC (Office of Public School Construction), which will allow CMP-SS to receive the advance apportionment for 'design and acquisition.'

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- Charter Renewal Update – Elk Grove
 - EGUSD requested that CMP-EG aligns its safety plan with the National Incident Management System. EGUSD has placed the CMP-EG Charter Renewal on the Consent Agenda.
- WASC/AMS Accreditation Update
 - WASC visitations are completed, and Gary anticipates the results by mid-June.
 - The AMS Self-Study is almost finished, and visitations will occur this fall.
- Staff Job Descriptions and Evaluation Process
 - Gary has been working collaboratively with the Principals to provide evaluations for the current year, and establish goals for the 2011-12 school year. Gary is also working with the Human Resources Department to refine job descriptions for the Central Admin. Team
- Gary recently provided a full-day tour of all 6 campuses for Scotia Sanchez (Superintendent of Yuba County Office of Education) and Rusty Gordon (Yuba County Office of Education SELPA Director)
- The Board received information about the potential impact of AB1172. The bill died in committee.

5. ACTION ITEMS 7:14 PM

- 5.01 Consideration of Student Freedom of Speech/Expression: Publication Code Policy**
SCUSD policies were provided as samples. Raquel Leuze moved to approve the Student Freedom of Speech/Expression: Publication Code Policy. Dave Nelson seconded the motion. Voice vote taken: 8 ayes, 0 noes, motion approved.
- 5.02 Consideration of Updated CASEMIS MOU with Wheatland School District**
Dave Nelson moved to approve the updated CASEMIS MOU with Wheatland School District. Deb Williams seconded the motion. Voice vote taken: 8 ayes, 0 noes, motion approved.
- 5.03 Updated 2010-2011 Governing Board Schedule**
Dave Nelson moved to approve the updated 2010-2011 Governing Board schedule. Nick Dakis seconded the motion. Voice vote taken: 8 ayes, 0 noes, motion approved. With the June Governing Board rescheduled to June 20th, the Principals and the Teacher Representative will not be able to attend. Dave Nelson moved to rescind the motion regarding the updated 2010-2011 Governing Board schedule. Nick Dakis seconded the motion. Voice vote taken: 8 ayes, 0 noes, motion approved. Dave Nelson moved to take a Roll Call Vote to reschedule the June Governing Board meeting to June 20th. Raquel seconded the motion. Roll call vote:
Jenny – no Nick-no Deb-no Dave-no
Raquel-no Temperance-no Jayna-no Rob-no
The item failed. The June Governing Board meeting will be held on the previously scheduled June 13th.
- 5.04 Board to Select 2011-2012 Annual Retreat Meeting Date**
Tabled to the June Governing Board meeting. New Board Members will be invited to attend the meeting.
- 5.05 Board to Certify Governing Board Election Results**
Temperance Harkins moved to ratify Patrick Briggs as the CMP-Capitol Campus Parent Representative and Dave Nelson as the CMP-Shingle Springs Campus Parent Representative for three year terms. Deb Williams seconded the motion. Voice vote taken: 7 ayes, 0 noes, Dave Nelson abstained, motion approved.
- 5.06 Board to Accept the Resignation of the Teacher Representative**
Dave Nelson moved to reluctantly accept the resignation of Deb Williams, CMP-Teacher Representative. Jenny Savakus reluctantly seconded the motion. Voice vote taken: 7 ayes, 0 noes, Deb Williams abstained, motion approved.
- 5.07 Board to Appoint the Teacher Representative**
Subcommittee of Dave Nelson, Nick Dakis and Rob Henderson met with two nominees. Both candidates are highly qualified, passionate educators who are willing to step up to the thankless task of sitting on the Board. The Subcommittee agreed to nominate Kalyca Green.
Dave Nelson moved to appoint Kalyca Green as the Teacher Representative. Raquel Leuze seconded the motion. Voice vote taken: 8 ayes, 0 noes, motion approved.

6. DISCUSSION AGENDA 8:30 PM

- 6.01 Board Self-Evaluation**
Board Members will submit their feedback to Stephanie Garrettson to compile an updated version.

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- 6.02 Governing Board Elections**
Governing Board Secretary Stephanie Garrettson reported that the elections went smoothly.
- 6.03 Resolution regarding the CMP Network going “Green”**
In drafting a resolution, want to ensure that it memorializes a strong component of our climate and culture. PG&E will donate a \$1000 to a school if they are invited to have a booth at an event to talk about recycling.
- 6.04 CMP Teacher Representative**
Addressed during action items.
- 6.05 Process of Executive Director Goal Accomplishment Review**
Raquel Leuze reported that Gary is meeting with Jonathan Wolff and following up on the goals.
- 6.06 AMS Chicago Conference – Board Duties**
Deb Williams shared that at the AMS Conference, attendees were surprised that the Teacher Representative was a voting member of the Board. Gary stated that the intent of having a Teacher Representative sit on the Board is to contribute to a diverse representation of viewpoints. Some agencies have taken the position that the Political Reform Act applies to Charter Schools, which would preclude teachers from sitting on the Board.
- 6.07 Strategic Plan**
Deb Williams shared feedback from the SJUSD WASC visit that CMP’s Strategic Plan should be more focused. This is an item to be reviewed and prioritized at the next Retreat.
- 6.08 Suggested Items for Discussion at Future Meetings presented by Board Members**
Raquel Leuze will give a report on E-Script and Quality of Life.

7. CORRESPONDENCE 8:45 PM

- 7.01 Correspondence from the Public**
Letter received regarding safety concerns over the potential move of the Carmichael Campus to La Sierra. Gary will discuss the ongoing negotiations with the Board in Closed Session.

8. CLOSED SESSION 8:50 PM

- 8.01 Pursuant to the Brown act, a closed session shall be conducted with respect to every item of business to be discussed in closed session pursuant to Section 54957, Public Employment.**
- Public Employee Performance 2010-2011 Evaluation - Title: Executive Director
- 8.02 Pursuant to the Brown act, a closed session shall be conducted with respect to every item of business to be discussed in closed session pursuant to Section 54956.8.**
- Property: 5325 Engle Road, Carmichael, CA 95608 - Agency Negotiator: Gary Bowman
- 8.03 Pursuant to the Brown act, a closed session shall be conducted with respect to every item of business to be discussed in closed session pursuant to Section 54956.9.**
- 8.04 Pursuant to the Brown act, a closed session shall be conducted with respect to every item of business to be discussed in closed session pursuant to Section 54956(b): 1, Significant Exposure to Litigation.**
- 8.05 Pursuant to the Brown act, a closed session shall be conducted with respect to every item of business to be discussed in closed session pursuant to Sections 35146 and 48918(c), Pupil Discipline.**

9. RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION 9:42 PM

- The Board reported out on Closed Session Items:
- 8.01 No discussion.
 - 8.02 Gary Bowman provided a briefing.
 - 8.03 None.
 - 8.04 Gary Bowman discussed potential litigation.
 - 8.05 None.

10. MEETING ADJOURNMENT 9:43 PM

Next Governing Board Meeting: June 13, 2011 at American River Campus
Jenny Savakus moved to adjourn the meeting. Jayna Gaskell seconded the motion.
Voice vote taken: 8 ayes, 0 noes, motion approved.