

CALIFORNIA MONTESSORI PROJECT
REGULAR MEETING OF THE GOVERNING BOARD
MARCH 14, 2011 MINUTES

DATE: Monday, March 14, 2011
TIME: 6:30 pm
MEETING PLACE: Carmichael Campus, 4718 Engle Road, Carmichael, CA 95608
EMERGENCY CONTACT: Gary Bowman at (916) 204-0271

1. MEETING CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL 6:30 PM

1.01 Roll Call	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Nick Dakis <input type="checkbox"/> Jayna Gaskell <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Patty Hagemeyer <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Temperance Harkins <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Rob Henderson <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Raquel Leuze <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dave Nelson <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jenny Savakus <input type="checkbox"/> Natasha Vidic <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Deb Williams <input type="checkbox"/> Jonathan Wolff	Parent Representative – Elk Grove Charter School Representative District Representative – Sacramento City Parent Representative – Capitol Business Representative (Chairperson) Parent Representative – American River (Vice President) Parent Representative – Shingle Springs Community Representative (Chief Financial Officer) Parent Representative - Carmichael Teacher Representative – American River Montessori Representative
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2. COMMUNICATION FROM PUBLIC/RECOGNITION 6:31 PM

2.01 Recognize meeting hosts The Board recognized Carmichael Campus for hosting the meeting.
2.02 Public Comment None.
2.03 Public Acknowledgment
Kim Aldridge recognized Wayne Bessett and Bob Matteoli who volunteer daily for the morning drop-off.

3. CONSENT AGENDA 6:34 PM

3.01 Minutes from the Regular Governing Board Meeting of February 7, 2011
The minutes were amended to reflect that Raquel Leuze was present at the February 7, 2011 meeting. Raquel moved to approve the amended minutes. Jenny Savakus seconded the motion. Voice vote taken: 8 ayes, 0 noes, motion approved.

4. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS 6:35 PM

4.01 Campus Advisory Council Report **Lisa Walda**
Presenter/parent Lisa Walda has served on the CAC as Fundraising Chair and coordinates the annual Spring Carnival. She reported that she recently created a CAC guide book which has been really successful allowing the core parents to step back.

4.02 Campus Reports – Carmichael **RaDene Girola**
Educational Specialist Radene Girola reported that STAR Power is focusing on math as an area of critical need. Students just completed the STAR writing test and the teachers provided positive feedback. The campus has hosted 9 tours, as well as an evening tour to prospective families. The BEST program is currently focusing on getting children to school on time. The campus Peer Mediators are monitoring the hallways to “catch” their peers being Safe, Responsible and Respectful. If a student is “caught” they receive a “Gotcha” slip and are eligible to win a prize. Exec. Director Gary Bowman recently met with all staff to provide network and school topics, and answer questions.

4.03 Emotional Q Workshop **Kim Aldridge**
Kim reported that the Round Table recently attended the workshop on Emotional Intelligence. Round Table members have also been reading and discussing ‘Emotional Intelligence’ at weekly Round Table meetings. Kim reported that the team has learned that emotional intelligence is something that can be developed and increased over time, and that personal success is also largely dependent on a highly-developed emotional intelligence.

Temperance Harkins arrived at 6:49 pm.

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- 4.04 General Report from the CMP Superintendent/Executive Director** **Gary Bowman**
- Charter Renewals
Gary reported that the SJUSD and SCUSD Boards have, respectively, approved the Charter renewals for CMP-San Juan and CMP-Capitol schools. Gary cited the strong relationships between CMP and its sponsoring Districts. Gary, Stephanie and Mickey are working with EGUSD Administrators Christy Moustris and Cathy Burt on submitting the renewal for CMP-Elk Grove.
 - Prop 55 Update
CMP-Elk Grove – Gary and Stephanie are compiling and submitting components required by the California School Finance Authority (CSFA) to determine financial soundness of CMP-EG. CMP-Shingle Springs previously submitted documents to CSFA, and is awaiting a determination by CSFA. April 18 is the CMP-SS deadline for submission of all documentation to the Office of Public School Construction (OPSC) to maintain funding eligibility.
 - WASC/AMS Update
CMP-CAP and CMP-SS are currently in the midst of the 4-day WASC visitations. The process has been both challenging and validating.
 - Staff Job Descriptions and Evaluation Process
Gary is collaborating with site administrators and central office staff to develop an effective, and empowering, evaluation system for those personnel.

5. ACTION ITEMS **7:00 PM**

- Tami Johnson shared a PowerPoint presentation on the CMP school budgets.
- 5.01 Consideration of Second Interim 2010-2011 CMP – Capitol Campus Budget**
Temperance Harkins moved to approve the Second Interim 2010-2011 CMP-Capitol campus budget. Dave Nelson seconded the motion. Voice vote taken: 8 ayes, 0 noes, motion approved.
 - 5.02 Consideration of Second Interim 2010-2011 CMP – Elk Grove Campus Budget**
Temperance Harkins moved to approve the Second Interim 2010-2011 CMP-Elk Grove campus budget. Deb Williams seconded the motion. Voice vote taken: 8 ayes, 0 noes, motion approved.
 - 5.03 Consideration of Second Interim 2010-2011 CMP – San Juan Campuses Budget**
Temperance Harkins moved to approve the Second Interim 2010-2011 CMP-San Juan campuses budget. Raquel Leuze seconded the motion. Voice vote taken: 8 ayes, 0 noes, motion approved.
 - 5.04 Consideration of Second Interim 2010-2011 CMP – Shingle Springs Campus Budget**
Temperance Harkins moved to approve the Second Interim 2010-2011 CMP-Shingle Springs campus budget. Jenny Savakus seconded the motion. Voice vote taken: 8 ayes, 0 noes, motion approved.
 - 5.05 Selection of Auditor for 2010-2011 School Year**
Dave Nelson moved to approve Vincenti, Lloyd, Stutzman LLP to conduct the independent audits of CMP-Capitol, CMP-Elk Grove, CMP-San Juan, CMP-Shingle Springs and the CMP-Network for the 2010-2011 school year. Temperance Harkins seconded the motion. Voice vote taken: 8 ayes, 0 noes, motion approved.
 - 5.06 Consideration of Resolution 2010-2011.1: Appreciation for San Juan Unified School District**
Temperance Harkins moved to approve Resolution 2010-2011.1 Appreciation for San Juan Unified School District. Dave Nelson seconded the motion. Voice vote taken: 8 ayes, 0 noes, motion approved.
 - 5.07 Consideration of Resolution 2010-2011.2: Appreciation for San Juan Unified School District**
Dave Nelson moved to approve Resolution 2010-2011.2: Appreciation for San Juan Unified School District. Deb Williams seconded the motion. Voice vote taken: 8 ayes, 0 noes, motion approved.
 - 5.08 Consideration of Student Freedom of Speech/Expression: Publication Code Policy**
Amendments were discussed and Stephanie will bring recommended changes to the April Board Meeting as well as the SCUSD versions of the Freedom of Speech Policy. No action taken.

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- 6. DISCUSSION AGENDA 8:14 PM**
- 6.01 Board Self-Evaluation**
Board will review the document and make recommendations. Item will be discussed at the April Board meeting.
- 6.02 Governing Board Elections**
Temperance Harkins announced that she will not be running for re-election. Stephanie Garrettson presented that the Board has received notifications of candidacy for both Capitol and Shingle Springs campuses.
- 6.03 Resolution regarding the CMP Network going “Green”**
Capitol Campus is in process of developing a “green” policy.
- 6.04 CMP Teacher Representative – Special Election vs. Appointment**
Deb Williams has been appointed the American River Education Specialist, effective July 1, 2011. As of that time, she will no longer be eligible to serve on the Board as a Teacher Representative. The Board recommends filling her seat through appointment. Gary Bowman will create a message to be disseminated to all teachers regarding the opening of the Teacher Representative and will then submit a recommendation to the Board.
- 6.05 Suggested Items for Discussion at Future Meetings presented by Board Members**
None.

- 7. CORRESPONDENCE 8:33 PM**
- 7.01 Correspondence from the Public**
The Board received two emails: one email was regarding the new enrollment preferences and Stephanie Garrettson provided a response; the other email was regarding a student safety issue.

- 8. CLOSED SESSION 8:52 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 Employee Performance 2009-2010 Evaluation
Title: Executive Director
None.
 - Public Employee 2010-2011 Contract
Title: Executive Director
The Board discussed honoring the Executive Director contract by retroactively providing the salary increase, as provided in the approved contract. A resolution will be drafted and presented at the next Board meeting.
 - Public Employee Performance 2010-2011 Evaluation
Title: Executive Director
None.
 - Public Employment: Principal
Gary briefed the Board on the leave status of the American River Principal
Gary briefed the Board on the status of the (current) interim
- 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
Gary briefed the Board.

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- 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 54956.9. None.
- 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(b): 1. None
- 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 Sections 35146 and 48918(c). None.

9. RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION 9:40 PM

10. MEETING ADJOURNMENT 9:40 PM

Next Governing Board Meeting: April 11, 2011 at Orangevale Campus

Patty Hagemeyer moved to adjourn the meeting.
Deb Williams seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously