

Cornerstone Montessori Elementary School

Governance Committee Meeting Agenda

Tuesday, May 4, 2021, 5:30 p.m. (Online)

Members: Chris Bewell, Jean Melancon, Maisah Outlaw, Julaine Roffers-Agarwal (Chair)

AGENDA

- 1) Call Meeting to Order 5:32 pm
- 2) Public Comment Period – Comments limited to 3 minutes per person
- 3) Goals for today's meeting:
 - a) Review policy progress
 - i) Policies to review:
 - (1) Policy 524 Internet Acceptable Use- Alyssa has reviewed and added comments on portions that she thinks need revising. Committee reviewed Alyssa's comments. Julaine will revise to address them and send to Chris to review, then send to Alyssa for her reaction. Committee will review at May meeting with a goal of sending to the Board for adoption at June meeting.
 - (2) Julaine contacted Alyssa and confirmed that Policy 806 Crisis Management Plan will be updated before she goes on leave (Governance Committee does not need to review prior to sending to the Board)
 - (3) For long-term future planning: What policies would need to be put in place for Jr High?
 - b) Candidates for opening board seats (Julaine and Maisah's terms end this year)- Elections will occur May 18, 2021 on Zoom with Chris and Alyssa
- 4) Education (orientation, ongoing education, etc.)
 - a) Education for next board meeting- Financial questions answered by Joe, Julaine has gathered questions from Board members, ABC overview
 - b) Any additions to list of future board level education topics
 - i) Nancy Dana- governance training
 - ii) Understanding the budget
 - iii) Understand the academic goals and how to support them
 - iv) Paris Dunning (ESABA Executive Director)
 - v) Sarah Plumb (Jr High teacher from Oak Hill)
 - vi) Sunny Hollow Jr High teacher (hoping for presentation in June- update?) Maisah has had trouble contacting guide(s) there but will continue with her efforts.
 - vii) Visit to St Croix Montessori to visit Jr High site or operating Jr High site (Oak Hill, Lake Country, Sunny Hollow, maybe Parkway)
 - viii) Presentation by auditor with financial topics
 - ix) Presentation about elected officials for the area- who represents us in the area at different levels, who we contact for what
 - x) Presentation and discussion of who CMES families are (number of homeless, travel times to CMES, location, demographics, etc); Potentially real estate agent Jean connected to through ESABA- how are CMES demographics similar or different from overall area demographics
 - xi) Presentation by specialty teachers so the board understands what value they add to the students (ELL, literacy, math, and behavior specialists) and the efforts to increase testing scores
- 5) Next Meeting
 - a) Tuesday May 25, 2021 at 5:30 pm, online
- 6) Any other business
 - a) Annual Meeting- Jean will be presenting State of the School, does Governance want to present anything?
 - b) HOS review of goals- review of compensation

- c) Jean will present results of one-on-one meetings with board members at May Board meeting.
- 7) Adjourn 6:10 pm