

CORNERSTONE MONTESSORI ELEMENTARY SCHOOL – ANNUAL MEETING

TUESDAY, MAY 19, 2020– 5:30 P.M.

Board Members Present: Jean Melancon, Jess Goff, Julaine Roffers-Agarwal, Alyssa Schwartz, Maisah Outlaw, Sarah Stocco, Carolyn Ganz, Marcus Almon

Board Members Absent:

Other Attendees: Chris Bewell, Laurie Pittman, Lourdes Harris

Meeting Called to Order by Jean Melancon, Board Chair, at 5:35 pm

AGENDA

Public Comment Period: No public comments were offered. Laurie and Lourdes introduced themselves – toddler teachers at Cornerstone.

Approval of Agenda & Declaration of Conflict of Interest

Jean asked if there were any changes to the agenda. None were added.

MAISAH MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE EVENING’S AGENDA; CAROLYN SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Board Member	Aye	Nay
Almon - ABSENT		
Ganz	x	
Goff	x	
Melancon	x	
Roffers-Agarwal	x	
Outlaw	x	
Stocco	x	

Based on the approved agenda, Jean asked if anyone had any conflicts of interest with the evening’s agenda. None were disclosed.

Announcement of Election Results

- Chris announced the election results. 17 ballots were cast:

3-Year Terms

1 parent or legal guardian –

- Sarah Stocco – 17 votes**

2 community member seats (not a parent or employee of the school)

- CAROLYN GANZ – 17 VOTES
- JEAN MELACON – 17 VOTES

MAISAH MADE A MOTION TO ACCEPT THE FOLLOWING ELECTION RESULTS: SARAH STOCO, CAROLYN GANZ, AND JEAN MELANCON ARE ELECTED FOR THREE-YEAR TERMS, WHICH RUN FROM JULY 1, 2020 TO JUNE 30, 2023. JULAINE SECONDED THE MOTION. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Board Member	Aye	Nay
Almon	x	
Ganz	x	
Goff	x	
Melancon	x	
Roffers-Agarwal	x	

Outlaw	x	
Stocco	x	

State of the School Presentation – Jean Melancon

- See slides.
- Jean presented the four initiative areas of the 2020-2023 Strategic Plan: Access, Equity, Community, Sustainability. She talked through where we are right now – Many initiatives looking at present and future needs, continued work with mission, vision, and values statements.
- Jean spoke to other state of the school information:
 - o CMES staff and families – gratitude for flexibility during COVID accommodations
 - o Head of School – Alyssa Schwartz, 2nd year completed
 - o Charter School Authorizer - 1st year with University of St Thomas (UST) as new authorizer
 - o Finance Committee - 1st year with Joe Aliperto and Christine Reed from Dieci Finance
 - o Governance Committee – Julaine Roffers-Agarwal, 2nd year as Chair. All policies now current with plans to review every 3 years as required
 - o Board Education – various topics including education with MCM and other Montessori schools.
 - o Development Committee - Carolyn Ganz, Chair. Continue connections with ESABA, luncheon held at CMES with Ramsey Washington Metro Watershed District, quarterly newsletter to Friends of the School, generous donations this year
 - o HOS Evaluation Committee - Jane Reilly, 2nd year as Chair, Completed HOS evaluation cycle
 - o 2nd year administering revised staff and family surveys

Other Business

None

Adjourn

JULAINÉ MADE A MOTION TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 5:55 PM; SARAH SECONDED THE MOTION. THERE WAS NO DISCUSSION. THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY. THE VOTES WERE AS FOLLOWS:

Board Member	Aye	Nay
Almon	x	
Ganz	x	
Goff	x	
Melancon	x	
Roffers-Agarwal	x	
Outlaw	x	
Stocco	x	