

Governance Committee Minutes

October 18, 2016

Committee Members Present: Chris Bewell, Melissa Santrach, Andrea Galdames, Liz Coenen
Other Attendees: Liesl Taylor

We welcomed Andrea to the committee. Thank you Andrea – it is wonderful to have you join us!

Policy

- Reviewed *Ongoing Board Training Policy* - will recommend for approval at November meeting
- Reviewed *Development and Communications Committee Charge* – will recommend for approval at November meeting. Note, this is a
- Discussed current *Behavior and Dismissal Policy*. Liesl noted that the current policy is not specific enough in its explanation of all of the steps that are involved in supporting a child's behavior and does not provide an explanation of the Montessori philosophy and best practice in place at Cornerstone.

Action: Liesl will develop the school practice section and present a revised draft to the Governance Committee.

Governance

- Discussed board recruitment and potential candidates.
- Reviewed current board size and seat allocations. Discussion is ongoing.
- Briefly discussed Minnesota Comeback and our relationship with the organization going forward. Discussion is ongoing.

Respectfully submitted by Liz Coenen, CMES Board Chair