



DSM Board Meeting Minutes
Desert Sky Montessori
63645 Scenic Drive, Bend, OR 97701
September 11, 2019

Sam Pierce called the meeting to order at 6:30pm.

Present: Sam Pierce, Cara Nowak, Jolene Dodge, Kim Bangerter

Also Present: Jodie Borgia, Julia Sutter, Jason Sexton, Pascaline Ocana, CeCe Bangerter

OPEN FORUM

BUSINESS

A. Consent Agenda

- a. Business Director Report
- b. Head of School Report
 - i. Student Success Act: extra money to be given to schools by the state government in order to bolster student success
 - ii. Meeting with OWC owners: Dan Pebbles and partners would like for us to develop with them; horse property neighbors behind OWC are considering selling their property, Julia Sutter and Dan Pebbles are set to meet with them in a week to talk about this
 - iii. Kim Bangerter requests clarification about the school's financials as they present on paper and would like to see monthly financial statements presented at board meetings: Julia Sutter is talking to a new CPA to finalize the books from last year, is looking into temporary help for bookkeeping, and feels we need to look into having a permanent bookkeeper for next year; she has already set a goal of having monthly financial statements to the board, but does need the extra help to get that done (i.e. a temporary bookkeeper)
- c. Approve August 2019 Minutes

2019.09.11.01 Jolene Dodge motions to approve the consent agenda. Sam Pierce seconds. The consent agenda is approved by unanimous vote.

B. Drainage Pond/One World Center Playground

- a. Jolene Dodge has concerns about using the drainage pond area at OWC as a playground: the area was engineered to be able to drain water from the hardscape currently on the property in case of a freak storm, and adding sod would change the pond's water holding capacity; there will also be run-off contaminants coming from the roofs and the parking lot draining into a space that children play in
 - i. Jodie Borgia has started having talks with a Desert Sky parent who has volunteered to sod the area about using rocks and such as a filtration system

- ii. Julia Sutter has talked to the property owners who are okay with the area being sodded
- iii. Jolene Dodge will try to research what a filtration system for the site should entail

C. Committee Reports and Documentation

- a. Middle School Committee: Kim Bangerter states that the committee members will be traveling to Silverton, Oregon, to visit Lewis and Clark Montessori and Community Roots Montessori on October 23 for research purposes
- b. Sam Pierce will draft a schoolwide email concerning our progress in developing a middle school program; we should also have a statement of progress on the website

D. Revisit Strategic Planning Document

- a. Jodie Borgia and Sam Pierce have gone over this document and will be sending it out for the board to review and comment on; this document will potentially be used for grant writing, etc.

E. Recruitment

- a. Sam Pierce shared a draft with the board titled "Serving on the Desert Sky Board of Directors"; the board will review the document and recommend any changes

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:37pm.

Recorded by: Cara Nowak

Minutes approved at 10/9/19 Board Meeting