

Redwood Coast Montessori Board of Directors
1611 Peninsula Drive, Arcata, CA 95521 (Room C)

REGULAR MEETING

September 13, 2017 7:00 p.m.

MINUTES

- A. CALL TO ORDER: Langley called the regular meeting to order at 7:04 p.m.
- B. ROLL CALL: Judith Langley, Brock Bluntzer, Roxana Stengl, Marion Taijala present. Staff present: Bryan Little.
- C. CLOSED SESSION: 7:06-7:11 – REDWOOD COAST MONTESSORI, ROOM F
Pursuant to Education Code 48918c, the Board met in Closed Session concerning confidential matters.
 - I. Board review of hiring contracts for two certificated and one classified position\.
- D. OPEN SESSION: 7:11 P.M. LOCATION: REDWOOD COAST MONTESSORI, ROOM C
- E. ANNOUNCEMENT OF REPORTABLE ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION: Board approval of hiring contracts for Alyssa Davis, Marcia Bilderback, and Madysen Gutierrez.
- F. PUBLIC COMMENT: Amber Woodworth brought to the Board’s attention the new playground survey that is currently being circulated among the RCM community.
- G. GENERAL CONSENT ITEMS
 - 1. Approval of Draft Minutes June 14, 2017 Regular Meeting. M/S by Taijala/Stengl to approve the Draft Minutes w/ spelling and time corrections for the June 14, 2017 Regular Meeting. Board: ayes 4, noes 0. Motion carried.
- H. BUSINESS & FINANCE
 - 1. Approve Execution of the Loan Agreement with the California School Finance Authority Bluntzer/Taijala. Board: ayes 4, noes 0. Motion carried.
- I. SCHOOL FUNCTIONS
 - 1. RCM Board Appointments: Brock Bluntzer has completed his two year term as a Director and is stepping down from the school Board. Eric Bergel has expressed an interest in filling the vacant seat. M/S by Taijala/Stengl to approve Eric Bergel as a new RCM School Board Director. Board: ayes 4, noes 0. Motion carried.
 - 2. Leadership Team – Bryan explained that three teachers (M. Leonard, E. Mackay, and M. Dobrowolski) have all agreed to be part of a leadership team. The two early goals of the leadership team are to review and update the Parent/Student Handbook and to look at possible steps RCM can take in order to help students feel more comfortable with and be more successful with the standardized State tests. Roxana Stengl expressed an interest in participating in the handbook review which she will do at the next leadership team meeting.
 - 3. PTO update – Amber and Bryan reviewed recent events at the last PTO meeting.
 - 4. Resource Center Update – Bryan updated the Board on activities the Resource Center is engaged in during the fall months.

5. High School Update – Bryan provided an update of the high school including staff and student moral, school activities, and work on the site.
- J. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS
1. Budget update
 2. Resource Center update (Esther)
- K. ADJOURNMENT - M/S by Stengle/Taijala to adjourn the meeting. Board: ayes 4, noes 0. Motion carried. Langely adjourned the meeting at 7:56 p.m. Next meeting will be held on Wednesday October 11, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.

Bryan Little

Acting Secretary, Bryan Little