



RISING SUN MONTESSORI SCHOOL

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The mission of Rising Sun Montessori School is to provide an authentic Montessori school that embraces the diversity of our students, parents, and teachers. Our school community will nurture the individual needs of each child in a learning environment that encourages students to be self-directed, avid learners who are prepared for a diverse world.

RISING SUN MONTESSORI SCHOOL BOARD OF DIRECTORS

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Date: August 23, 2016
Time: Open Session 5:00 pm.
Location: Library, Rising Sun Montessori School
7006 Rossmore Lane El Dorado Hills, CA 95762

OPEN SESSION 5:00 p.m.

I. Call to Order

The meeting shall be brought to order by the Chairwoman of the Board at 5:11 pm

II. Roll Call

The Chairwoman took roll of members present:

Margarita Rivera, Board Chair	Present <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Absent <input type="checkbox"/>
Brenda Rios, Secretary/Treasurer	Present <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Absent <input type="checkbox"/>
James Stoops, Member	Present <input type="checkbox"/> Absent <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Molly Mix, Member	Present <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Absent <input type="checkbox"/>
Lincoln Snyder, Member	Present <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Absent <input type="checkbox"/>

III. Approval of Agenda

Shall the Board approve the Agenda?

Brenda motioned to approve. Molly seconded. Motion approved 3-0

IV. Public Comments (Items not on agenda)

None

V. Head of School Report

1. Middle school field trip: Ms. Heather, lead teacher of the Taurus classroom, is proposing an overnight fieldtrip May 1-4, 2017 to the Pigeon Point State Historic Park Lighthouse, located 50 miles south of San Francisco.

There will be separate facilities for the boys and girls. The cost of the fieldtrip will be \$250 per student. They would like to fundraise to help offset some of the cost, and have about 5 ideas for potential fundraisers thus far.

There will be a parent information night in January with the contact person from Pigeon Point coming to speak and give more details about the excursion.

Brenda motioned to approve. Molly seconded. Motion approved 3-0.

2. Karl reported on the 2016/2017 budget: it was initially based on 142 students, with a plan to add another upper elementary classroom. Due to the sudden loss of a lead teacher passing away, and not having enough time to replace the teacher in time to get another upper elementary class up and running, the budget was adjusted to reflect enrollment of 125.

There were some students who did not show up the first day of school, and some who moved, bringing our enrollment to 114. Admissions received 3 new applications.

Our current reserve is just under \$100,000. There was a \$9,000 deficit carried over from last year. We will have a \$69,000 surplus. We have completed our PCSGP purchases and will only be paying back \$69 of unused grant funding.

VI. Discussion/Action Items

1. Margarita introduced Ken Wenham, parent of current students at Rising Sun, as a board member candidate. Ken serves on other boards in the community and is happy to lend his expertise in facilities to the RSMS Board of Directors.
Margarita called for a motion to appoint Ken to RSMS Board of Directors.
Motion by Molly; Second by Brenda; Motion approved 3-0
2. Brenda announced her resignation from the board of directors effective this date. She indicated that she enjoyed serving on the founding and governing board of the school very much and looks forward to continuing to support Rising Sun.
3. The board chair recommended that since board members were not present, the director positions could not be reassigned until the next meeting.
4. Karl gave a brief overview of the charter renewal process for the newer board members who had not gone through the initial petition process. He stated that the committee was currently working on the edits and consulting with their lawyers on necessary legal updates in order to submit the petition to the authorizer on September 15th.

VII. Consent Agenda

Approve Regular Meeting minutes of June 10, 2016
Approve School Safety Policy#4-Bloodborne Pathogens
Approve Amended Student Policy #3-Admissions and Enrollment
Adopt Revolving Loan Resolution
Approve Charter School Revolving Loan Agreement
Approve 2016-17 Employee Handbook
Approve 2016-17 Family Handbook

Motion by Molly; Seconded by Ken; Motion approved 4-0 to approve consent agenda

VIII. Adjournment

Shall the board adjourn the meeting at 5:52 pm?

Motion by Molly; Seconded by Brenda; Vote 4-0 to approve adjournment

Minutes Certification:

Proposed minutes respectfully submitted,

Brenda Rios

Recording Clerk

Approved by the Board of Directors on

Molly
Board Secretary

9/16/2016

Date

11/15/16

Date