

MONUMENT ACADEMY
“A Charter School, a Public School of Choice”
Board of Directors Regular Meeting

Minutes from October 6, 2022 at 6pm MST
Monument Academy East Campus Gymnasium

Mission Statement:

The mission of Monument Academy is to provide a challenging, content – rich, academic program offered within an engaging, caring, and positive learning environment. Established on a solid foundation of knowledge, Monument Academy emphasizes academic excellence, respect, responsibility, character and exemplary citizenship.

A. CALL TO ORDER/MISSION STATEMENT/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/ROLL CALL/QUORUM

- a. Mr. Graham called the meeting to order at 6pm, read the mission statement, led the Pledge of Allegiance, took roll call, and declared a quorum.
 - i. Board Members in attendance: Emily Belisle, Craig Carle, Lindsay Clinton, Danny O'Brien (virtual) Ryan Graham, Mike Geers
 - ii. Others in attendance: Marc Brocklehurst, Collin Vinchattle, David Kennington

B. ADDITIONS TO/APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Approved by unanimous consent.

C. SWEARING IN OF NEW BOARD MEMBER: Mr. Graham swore in Michael Geers as the new MA Director of the Board.

D. SCHOOL SPOTLIGHT

- a. Mr. Carle recognized the recipients of the school spotlight as Kristin Patterson and Zach Engleman.

E. CITIZEN'S COMMENTS PERTAINING TO AGENDA ITEMS *Limit 3 minutes per person*

- a. Sean Allen spoke regarding the MLO.
- b. Derek Araje spoke regarding the MLO.
- c. Emily Davis spoke regarding the MLO.
- d. Scott Saunders spoke regarding the MLO.

F. CONSENT AGENDA:

- a. Minutes were approved as distributed.
- b. The next regular session meeting date of November 10, 2022 at the East Campus gym at 6 pm was approved with unanimous consent.

G. REPORTS OF ADMINISTRATION & COMMITTEES:

- a. COO Report: Mr. Brocklehurst read the monthly COO report. Mr. Vinchattle thanked the East PTO for the successful Lynx Warrior Games and reported that the event raised close to \$14,000.
- b. CFO Report: Mr. Brocklehurst read his monthly report.
- c. Committees:
 - i. Highway 105 Committee Report: Mr. Graham reported that we will be sending out our 3rd RFP later this fall.
 - ii. Curriculum: Mrs. Belisle reported that committee met on October 5th. The group held preliminary discussions on reviewing the MA's math curriculum and also brainstormed MA's Portrait of a Graduate in anticipation of our first graduating class next academic year. The next meeting will be November 2nd.
 - iii. SAAC–West: Mr. Geers reported that the committee reviewed the West Campus UIP and committee bylaws.

- iv. SAAC–East: Mrs. Belisle reported that SACC East met on September 22 and named their officers for the year. The committee heard from admin on the East campus performance plan. The next meeting will be Nov. 9th.
- v. Governance: no report.
- vi. Finance: no report.
- vii. Buildings & Facilities: Mr. O’Brien reports that they received a quote for a new AC unit at West Campus that will be sent to Mr. Brocklehurst for review.
- viii. Volunteer Committee: Mrs. Clinton reports that our school has logged just under 1000 volunteer hours. She also reminded the community about the reason and importance of tracking our school’s volunteer hours. She said it gives our school important data of how and where we spend our volunteer time and it can also lead to grant opportunities for our school.
- ix. Resource Development Committee: Mr. Carle reports that the committee has been meeting every other week as they develop the standard operating procedures for fundraising opportunities.

H. ITEMS REQUIRING BOARD DISCUSSION/ACTION:

- a. Employee Handbook: Mr. Graham made a motion to adopt the 2021-2022 Employee Handbook as distributed. Mrs. Belisle made a second. The motion carried unanimously. Danny O’Brien was absent for this vote due to technical difficulties.
- b. Unified Improvement Plan East and West: Mrs. Clinton motioned to approve the distributed UIP plans from East and West Campus. Mr. Carle made a second. The motion carried unanimously. Danny O’Brien was absent for this vote due to technical difficulties.
- c. East Campus Modular Update: Mr. Graham announced the board’s intent to have a special meeting prior to our next regular session meeting to select a contractor to get the modular building ready for use.
- d. Before/After School Care MOU: Leading Edge: There was a brief discussion about the status of this MOU. It was decided that the board would table it and bring it to a vote at the next regular session.
- e. Fall Board Retreat and Oct Work Session:
 - i. A strategic plan work session for the board and admin was scheduled for October 21 at 1 pm in the board room of the Platinum Group Building.
 - ii. Mrs. Clinton motioned that the Board approve up to \$2,000 for Board and Admin professional development event with a speaker and training workshops that specialize in charter school operations. Mr. Graham made a second. The motion carried unanimously.
- f. October Board Community Café Chat: Mr. Geers and Mr. Carle will participate in the October café chat. Date, time and location are to be determined.

I. BOARD COMMENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS – Mrs. Belisle thanked Mr. Brocklehurst for his extra efforts of late as the acting COO.

J. NEW BUSINESS – none.

K. MOTION TO ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION:

- a. Mrs. Clinton made a motion to adjourn to Executive Session pursuant to C.R.S.24-6-402 (4) (b, d, e & f) to receive legal advice on specific legal matters regarding security and safety, HR practices and law, and criteria and legal constraints involved in COO search process, to discuss safety and security protocols and systems, to discuss carline safety issues, to discuss negotiations and advice to negotiators regarding district MLO and charter contract questions. Mr. Graham made a second to the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

L. ITEMS REQUIRING BOARD DISCUSSION/ACTION:

- a. Mr. Carle made an announcement about some dangerous and disrespectful conduct happening in carline. He announced forthcoming action to address these carline concerns.
- b. Action on items discussed in executive session: Mr. Graham announced that there will be a special meeting on October 13 to include a presentation by D38 regarding the MLO. This will be a townhall style meeting.

M. ADJOURNMENT

- a. Mr. Graham adjourned the meeting.

N. CITIZEN COMMENTS NOT PERTAINING TO AGENDA ITEMS *Limit 3 minutes per* – none.