

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

Minutes from November 10, 2022 at 6pm MST
Monument Academy East Campus Band Room

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. Board Members in attendance: Emily Belisle, Joe Buczkowski, Craig Carle, Lindsay Clinton, Danny O'Brien, Ryan Graham, Mike Geers
- b. Others in attendance: Marc Brocklehurst, Kurt Walker, David Kennington

B. ADDITIONS TO/APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

- a. Mr. Graham motioned that the letter C statement regarding carline at East and West Campuses be struck from the agenda under items requiring board discussion and action. Mrs. Clinton made a second. The motion carried unanimously.
- b. Mr. Graham motioned that the letter J motion to adjourn to executive session be amended to include the verbiage stating, "and to discuss carline safety issues" after the verbiage stating "for specialized details of security arrangements." Furthermore, this would fall under letter D, "specialized details of security arrangements or investigations," and is already cited on the executive session for tonight. Mrs. Clinton made a second. The motion carried unanimously.
- c. Mrs. Clinton motioned to add the consideration of three new uniform items to Middle School uniform and High School Dress Code Policies and add that under letter C taking the place of the "Statement regarding Carline at East and West campuses." Mr. Carle seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
- d. Mrs. Clinton motioned to strike under letter K, "Action taken on items discussed during executive session." Then letter K will read, "Board discussion and action items." And it will have that "Action taken on items discussed during executive session," there. Letter L will be "Adjournment." Letter M will be "Citizen comments not pertaining to agenda items." Mr. Carle seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
- e. The agenda was approved unanimous consent with the changes made above.

C. SCHOOL SPOTLIGHT

- a. Mr. Carle recognized the recipients of the school spotlight as Scott and Rachel Karstens.

D. CITIZEN'S COMMENTS PERTAINING TO AGENDA ITEMS *Limit 3 minutes per person - None*

E. CONSENT AGENDA:

- a. The minutes from October 6,2022, October 13, 2022, October 21, 2022, and October 25, 2022 were approved as distributed.
- b. The next regular session meeting date of December 8, 2022 at the East Campus gym at 6 pm was approved with unanimous consent.

F. REPORTS OF ADMINISTRATION & COMMITTEES:

- a. COO Report: Mr.Brocklehurst read the monthly COO report.
- b. CFO Report: Mr.Brocklehurst read his monthly report. Mr. Graham asked the board if they would like to hear from the auditor next month on the school audit report. Mr. Brocklehurst said that could likely be arranged for our next regular meeting.

c. Committees:

- i. Highway 105 Committee Report: Mr. Graham reported that the appraisal was completed. There is increased interest in our project due to the exposure of placing our project on BidNet.
- ii. Curriculum: Mrs. Belisle reported that the committee met on November 2nd. The group discussed MA's Portrait of a Graduate once again. A subcommittee will be identified to bring more specific options for a new math curriculum for the committee to review. Mrs. Clinton asked if MA has a process in place for parents to review any new curriculum prior to their implementation. Mrs. Belisle agreed to discuss a parent review policy with the committee and bring some ideas to the governance committee.
- iii. SAAC–West: Mr. Geers reported that the committee met November 7th. The committee discussed the need for paraprofessionals, the West PTO needs a president for next year, the West campus parent survey questions are being drafted, trunk or treat and Grandparent Day were a success. Finally, a new program tentatively called the "Common Sense Initiative" was proposed by some parents as an alternative to our current Capturing Kids Hearts.
- iv. SAAC–East: Mrs. Belisle reported that SACC East met on November 9th. MA will be the hosts of the district's DAAC meeting on November 15th. Mr. Kennington described the details of the event and also announced that DAAC has been renamed as "PCAC" or Parent Community Advisory Committee. The committee wrote and reviewed the SAAC East survey and that will be sent out in December.
- v. Governance: no report.
- vi. Finance: Mr. Buczkowski reports the committee met on November 8th and they discussed some upcoming expenses including the possibility of equipping one of the modulars as a science classroom and some HVAC needs at both campuses. Finally, he reported that the budget won't be ready until December for a board approval.
- vii. Buildings & Facilities: no report.
- viii. Volunteer Committee: no report.
- ix. Resource Development Committee: Mr. Carle reported that Grandparents Day was last week and it was a success. The attendees dedicated over 75 books to the MA library and through general donation and spirit wear purchases over \$4000 was raised. The grandparents will also be contacted in the future to follow up and give them another opportunity to give.

G. ITEMS REQUIRING BOARD DISCUSSION/ACTION:

- a. Leading Edge MOU – Mr. Graham moved that the MA Board approve the MOU presented tonight and direct Mr. Brocklehurst to present said MOU back to Leading Edge. Additionally, Mr. Brocklehurst will keep the board president apprised of acceptance, rejection or further revisions submitted by Leading Edge. Mrs. Clinton made a second to the motion. It passed unanimously.
- b. Update on East Campus Modulars – there has been a discussion of possibly adding plumbing to one of the modulars. No other action is needed at this point.
- c. Consideration of three new uniform items to Middle School uniform and High School Dress Code Policies – There was robust discussion about the three new apparel submissions from the East PTO trying to determine if a hood one of the options is compliant with our dress code policies. Mrs. Clinton motioned to approve the fleece crew and tricot track jacket for the middle school and high school uniform and dress code policies as proposed by East Campus PTO. Mrs. Belisle made a second to the motion and it carried unanimously.
- d. East Campus PTO Donation and Christmas Party - The board was invited to the East Campus Christmas party hosted by the PTO for the East Campus staff. The party will be December 15th at 6 pm. Mrs. Clinton moved to donate \$400 from the board discretionary funds towards the East Campus staff Christmas party for use in their awards presentation. Mr. Carle made a second to the motion and it carried unanimously.
- e. District 38 Board Meeting and Veteran's Ceremony – M.A. staff will be included in the district's recognition of school staff who served in the armed forces. The district veteran's recognition will take place on November 14 at 6 pm.

H. BOARD COMMENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS – none.

I. NEW BUSINESS – none.

J. MOTION TO ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION:

- a. Mr. Graham motioned to adjourn to executive session pursuant to C.R.S.24-6-402(4) (a, c, d, and e) for discussion regarding the purchase, acquisition, or lease of real property; to discuss matters required to be kept confidential by law regarding personal files and application materials for COO position, and regarding MLO ballot measure; for specialized details of security arrangements and to discuss carline safety issues; and determining positions relative to matters that may be subject to negotiations regarding real property and contracted services. Mrs. Belisle made a second and the motion carried unanimously.

K. ITEMS REQUIRING BOARD DISCUSSION/ACTION: Action taken on items discussed during executive session

- a. Mrs. Belisle read a statement on behalf of the board to the community regarding carline safety issues.

L. ADJOURNMENT - Mr. Graham adjourned the meeting.

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