

Highlights from January 12th, 2023 Board of Directors' Special Meeting

Highway 105 Update

Board President, Ryan Graham, provided the following update during his Hwy 105 committee update: MA has engaged Wilson & Company as our CM (construction management) firm for the recirculation project. Prior to executing the final agreement with Wilson & Company, legal counsel and the county will be reviewing the proposal in accordance with our previously executed memorandum of agreement with the county. Once the construction management proposal is agreed upon and executed, Wilson & Company will review the bids for the construction portion of the recirculation project in addition to the county proposal and other thirdparty agreements. After the construction management review process is complete, a special meeting will be called for the MA Board and the MABC (Monument Academy Building Corporation) board to take action on executing project documents. Once project documents are executed, the intent is to have construction underway by mid-May for Phase I at the west campus. Phase I will be the construction of the road behind west campus which will create the carline recirculation. The new recirculation plan will have cars entering towards the school off Knollwood Dr. onto Village Ridge Point, circulating around the school for drop off/pick up and then exiting back onto Knollwood Dr. There are many moving parts to this project, so please stay tuned for additional updates that will be shared at MA board meetings.

2023 Board of Directors Election Information: Please review flyer below

Dear MA Parents,

It is my honor and duty to commence the 2023 election process for the Monument Academy Board of Directors. As a charter school, a board of dedicated parent volunteers leads MA.

The MA Bylaws outline the qualifications needed to serve on the Board. Simply put, you must be 25 years or older and a parent or guardian of a Monument Academy student. In addition, Board members must be committed to students and their education, have enthusiasm for Monument Academy and conviction in its purpose and be willing to give time and energy to the school.

This year, the MA community will be electing two Directors to the Board. Each elected Director serves a threeyear term.

If you are interested in becoming a candidate or want to learn more about the position, please fill out the linked <u>Google Form</u>. Once this is received, we will reach out to you to schedule a time to meet with 1-2 Board members to ask questions and confirm your candidacy if you so desire.

Joining the Board of Directors is one of the most impactful ways you can serve our community. Monument Academy needs strong leaders to direct its future. Serving on this board is truly a commitment of time and effort. It's been one of the most rewarding and challenging positions I've ever found myself in and should be something you consider carefully. Leading this school requires a servant's heart and conviction.

We invite each one of you to thoughtfully consider this opportunity. Sincerely, Lindsay Clinton MA Board Vice President

Lynx Fund Annual Campaign Update

Board member, Craig Carle, provided the following update during his Resource Development Committee update:

Amount raised as of January 12th, 2023: \$62,612.31, 13% of goal raised

Number of Lynx Legacy donors: 12

Total Number of donations received: 153

Please see below for how you can complete your Monument Academy donation.

ColoTrust Resolution

The board passed a resolution authorizing Monument Academy to join with other local governments as a participant in the Colorado Local Government Liquid Asset Trust to pool funds for investment. See resolution: Ratified-ColoTrust-Resolution.pdf (monumentacademy.net)

Preschool Tuition Contract Update

The board approved a new contract draft and fee structure for the 2023-2024 fiscal school year. Please review updated preschool information starting next week on the website: <u>Preschool – Monument Academy</u>. Contact Kristi Hays, Preschool Director, with any questions: khays@monumentacademy.net.

Red Cross Facility Use Agreement

The board approved a facility use agreement of our secondary campus as a Red Cross shelter and service location during a disaster. The primary need would be for a winter weather shelter in the event of a snowstorm that closed Highway 83 and motorists were stranded.

MA Board of Directors Strategic Planning

Interim COO, Kim McClelland, presented steps and a timeline for developing a strategic plan. Board members Lindsay Clinton and Craig Carle will be part of the strategic planning committee.

What's coming up?

- Café Chat with board members Ryan Graham (President) and Lindsay Clinton (Vice President) on Wednesday, February 8th from 8:30-9:30am at Serrano's Coffee Company.
 - RSVP here: <u>https://forms.gle/uELEM68tshan9zsA7</u>
- MA Board of Directors Regular Meeting: February 9th at 6pm at the East Campus
 - Public Comments are welcome related to agenda or non-agenda items. You must attend in person and sign-up on the public comment sheet prior to 6pm. Meetings are recorded and uploaded to our YouTube Channel:

Reminders

Missed a previous month's board highlights?

You can review previous meeting board highlights, minutes, and upcoming meeting agendas here: <u>School Board</u> – <u>Monument Academy</u>.

Give Hope: Introduction of the MA Annual Campaign and Lynx Fund

The MA Board of Directors presented information on our current financial situation and why we as a school community must come together to help meet annual fundraising goals. Watch the replay of that event here: 2022 12 01 MA Special Meeting - Give Hope - YouTube. This year's fundraising goal is \$500,000. To reach that, we

are asking each of our 750 households to give a minimum of \$675. You also have the option to be a Lynx Legacy donor when you give at least \$1996 (the school was founded in 1996) within the fiscal school year and be honored on our Lynx Legacy plaques that will be displayed at each campus. There are multiple ways to provide your donations (recurring monthly payments, one-time) and we also encourage everyone to check and see if their employers provide matching donations. All donations are tax deductible. The money raised through our annual campaign will be used to help the school in many ways such as teacher pay, curriculum updates, programs, building improvements, Phase II and more! You can donate now by clicking here:





What does it mean to serve on the MA Board of Directors?

As a charter, school policy is set by a volunteer parent Board. Members of the Board work diligently to ensure the school is staying true to the mission and vision of Monument Academy. The Board has two employees, the COO and CFO, and together this team makes decisions for the current and future success of the school.

Who Can Apply?

- Parents or Guardians of a current Monument Academy student are eligible
- Applicants must be at least 25 years of age
- Applicants should have an enthusiasm for MA and conviction in its purpose

Now - March 31st:

Election Timeline

- Complete the application and submit it to the Board
- Meet with 1-2 Board members to ask questions about the position
- Confirm desire to be an official candidate
- Attend as many Board meetings as possible

April:

- Give a 5-minute statement of interest at Board Meeting
- Community Q&A session with candidates
- Formal 5-day election held last week of April

May:

• Election results announced to the community at the Board Meeting

June:

- Newly elected Directors sworn in at Board meeting, effective July 1st
- Complete Board training & background check

July:

• July 1 begins a 3-year term as a voting member of the MA Board of Directors

Submit an application using the following link: https://forms.gle/BhkEohPuyPd4T7Wz9

Still have questions?

E-mail: Board@MonumentAcademy.net