



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

August 10, 2023 at 6:00pm MST
Monument Academy East Campus Gym

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. 6:04 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: Karen Hoida, Joe Buczkowski, Matt Ross, Emily Belisle, Ryan Graham, Lindsay Clinton, Craig Carle. Others in attendance: Kim McClelland, Glenn Gustafson and Brad Miller.

B. ADDITIONS TO/APPROVAL OF AGENDA

- a. Mr. Carle motioned to add School Spotlight to letter "c. Citizen's Comments Pertaining to Agenda Items". Mrs. Clinton made a second and it carried unanimously.
- b. The agenda was approved with unanimous consent with the change made above.

C. CITIZEN'S COMMENTS PERTAINING TO AGENDA ITEMS

- a. *Limit 3 minutes per person*
- b. School spotlight
 - i. Mr. Carle recognized Kendra Kuhlman for her outstanding work on ParentSquare and community outreach.

D. CONSENT AGENDA

- a. All minutes were distributed electronically.
- b. The minutes from July 13, 2023 Special Meeting and July 13, 2023 Board Retreat were approved as distributed.

E. REPORTS OF ADMINISTRATION & COMMITTEES

- a. Executive Director: Mrs. McClelland gave her report. Each principal from each division distributed any reports electronically.
- b. CFO: Mr. Gustafson gave his report.
- c. Committees
 - i. Highway 105 Committee Report: Mr. Graham reported on the

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construction project. Reiterated the importance of pushing out the new carline procedures.

An email has been specifically set up for parent questions at Carline@monumentacademy.net

- ii. Curriculum (Mrs. Belisle): No Report
- iii. SAAC – West (Mr. Ross): No Report
- iv. SAAC – East (Mrs. Clinton): No Report
- v. Governance: (Mrs. Hoida & Mr. Buczkowski): Mr. Buczkowski stated they met with counsel, it is a work in progress.
- vi. Finance (Mr. Buczkowski & Mr. Carle): No Report
- vii. Buildings & Facilities (Mr. Graham & Mrs. Hoida): Mr. Graham differed to Mr. Kennington who stated the Assessment for Safety & Security is set for Oct 24. Portables have been painted and prepared, ramps & security fencing is set for this weekend, 8/12-8/13, then there will be a request made for occupancy & inspection.
- viii. RDC (Mrs. Clinton & Mr. Carle): No Report
- ix. HR Subcommittee (Mr. Graham & Mrs. Clinton): No Report

F. ITEMS REQUIRING BOARD DISCUSSION/ACTION

- a. Quarterly Dashboard Review: Mrs. Strawbridge from Analytical Discoveries presented the new Academic Dashboard that will pull metrics from historical testing data. This also includes Behavior and Attendance.
- b. East Campus Handbook: The board presented feedback on the handbook. Mr. Graham motioned to approve the East Campus Handbook with changes discussed except for curriculum. Mrs. Clinton seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
- c. ParentSquare Presentation: Kendra Kuhlman presented on ParentSquare and its capabilities. Currently at 96% contactable registration. Note: the ParentSquare Board Group has the ability to push out messages only, they cannot intercommunicate through the system.
- d. Curriculum Policies IIAC–MA, IIAC-E1-MA, IIAC-E2-MA, IJ-MA, & IJ-E1-MA: Mrs. Belisle reviewed the notes to the curriculum policies. The changes were approved and passed along to the Policy Governance committee who will review, make the changes and resubmit to the board for September Action.
- e. SRO Update: Mrs. McClelland stated that Monument PD will be partnering with Monument Academy to have a presence around all Monument Academy schools at all times.
- f. Regular Monthly Board Meeting Start Time: Mrs. Clinton made a motion to the Board that all Board Meetings moving forward start at 6:30 pm to

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accommodate travel times, sports schedules and set up time. Mr. Carle seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

- g. 23-24 School FY Board Meeting Calendar: Mr. Graham motioned to the board to accept the 23-24 Board Meeting Calendar presented at the board retreat. Mrs. Hoida seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

G. BOARD COMMENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

- a. September Cafe Chat: Volunteers for the September Café Chat are Mrs. Clinton and Mr. Carle.

H. NEW BUSINESS

- a. None

I. 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, and f) to receive legal advice on specific legal matters related to board resolution on gender issues; to discuss school security protocols and processes; and to review and determine matters related to a grievance matter involving employees with prior notification. Mrs. Belisle seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

J. ITEMS REQUIRING BOARD DISCUSSION/ACTION

- a. Action taken on items discussed in executive session.
- b. Karen Hoida moved to approve MA's Concealed Carry / Armed Staff Policy as presented in Executive Session and in accordance with the Board's Resolution passed on July 25, 2022. Joe Buczkowski seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

K. ADJOURNMENT

- a. Mr. Graham adjourned the meeting.

L. CITIZEN COMMENTS NOT PERTAINING TO AGENDA ITEMS

- a. *Limit 3 minutes per person*

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