



Regular Board Meeting Minutes -Ver B
M.I.T.C.H. CHARTER SCHOOL
Thursday September 18, 2014, 7pm

19550 SW 90th Court
Tualatin, OR 97062

Members Present: Jason Holland, Wayne Laird, Julie Bosket, Steven Burke, Kurt Ostermiller, Donna Capodacqua, Jody Blakely, Lindsay Childers, Christa Griffiths and Melissa Meyer (non-voting)

Members Absent: None.

Guests: Aaron Doerr and others - see sign in sheet, on file.

The Multi-Sensory Instruction Teaching Children Hands-On (M.I.T.C.H.) Vision & Mission M.I.T.C.H. Charter School, where every child excels academically, pursues a Core Knowledge Foundation School of Distinction designation with agriculture fully integrated throughout our curriculum.

Our mission is to teach a coherent, cumulative, and content-specific curriculum in language arts, history, geography, mathematics, science, the arts and agriculture so that our students become literate, knowledgeable, and confident leaders serving our community, nation and world.

I. Call to order, roll call, pledge, and mission statement

II. Approval of the Modified Agenda

Motion by: Christa

Second: Donna

For: All

Against: None

III. Approval of August Meeting Minutes

Version B was distributed to all members. No discussion

Motion by: Christa

Second: Donna

For: All, except Christa Abstains

IV. Finance Committee

A. July Financials

Wayne makes a motion to approve July expenditures, \$79,496.95, including checks #8622-8640 and associated electronic checks and hand checks.

Motion by: Wayne

Second: Kurt

For: All

B. August Financials

Wayne makes a motion to approve August expenditures, \$83,082.07 including checks #8640-8875 and associated electronic checks and hand checks.

Motion by: Wayne

Second: Kurt

For: All

C. Fiscal Year/Audit Update

The audit is nearly complete, and due to the district by Oct 15th. Jason asked if the comment the auditors had about Quickbooks possibly being an issue. Wayne responded that with the checks and balances MITCH has in place, that it isn't an issue. Other financial software remains cost prohibitive. A discussion was held on SSF & ADM and the need for long range financial planning. SSF is based on state funds passed through by TTSD. The reserves are in place for capital outlays, increases in rent, and the contingencies should SSF contributions go down.

V. Discussion Items

Jason introduced Aaron Doerr for the whole school discussion on communication. Aaron helped to set ground rules based on the PBIS matrix. Steve recommended the meeting be ended so that public comments could remain confidential.

VI. Motion to Adjourn

Steve makes a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:40pm

Second: Donna

For: All

VII. Motion to Reopen the Meeting

Wayne makes a motion to re-start the meeting at 9:00pm.

Second: Steve

For: Wayne, Steve, Jody, Lindsay, Jason, Julie

Against: Christa, Donna

IX. Public Comment

Sandy Cardenas - Regarding lunch assigned tables, disagrees with the lunch seating, hopes for responses from the Board in upcoming meetings regarding public comments.

Debbie Taylor - Regarding lunch assigned tables, disagrees with the lunch seating

Sommer Kelly - Wants to know what are we doing to support new teachers? Encourages others to help out in the classrooms.

Lisa Gilbertson - Suggested that perhaps a liason could help with public comments? One person to reach out to.

Chen Wern - discussed struggles with 5th grade regarding communications. Help us prepare kids in advance

Will Hoskin - Thank you to the parents helping out directly in the classrooms the past few weeks

Renea Ostermiller - Suggested parents please be patient. There is a newsletter coming. Please understand the hours already spent. communication will get better.

Erin Peterson - Suggested reviewing funding or funding sources. Communicate ways to bridge the gap.

Michelle Vitali - Could we perhaps survey or find another forum for discussion and communications? Willing to help out in this matter.

Beth Sethi - Is happy with the lunch layout

Deepa Sarangapani - Asked why so many changes had to be had at once? Why not slowly implement them over the year?

Beth Hudson - Introduced Cristina Heim as new Parent Co-leader, next Parent meeting is October 2nd.

X. Board Comment

Melissa thanked everyone for coming and Aaron Doerr for his time to be the moderator.

Lindsay commented that she is here because it the best for what her kids need. Please give each other grace, communicate and keep dialogue open.

Julie - there are still openings for carline volunteers

Steve - Spoke of needed reverence for teachers.

Christa - Commented that this evening was unsettling and didn't believe lunch or other communication issues are board issues. But please continue to have chats in this format.

XI. Adjournment -

Jason thanked everyone for coming and mentioned the "Fireside Chat" upcoming with him & Melissa

Motion by: Jason

Second: Steve

For: All

Against: None. 9:30pm.

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

Board Executive Committee - Open Discussion
October 4th, 7pm

Parent Meeting
October 6th, 7pm

Regular Board Meeting
October 16th 7pm