

Coulee Montessori SET Minutes

May 17, 2022

Roster

Kim Shively President	Nell Saunders-Scott Treasurer	Melissa Leske Secretary	Deanna Maynard
Willie Bittner	Amy Merkey	Alex Hiller	Barb Silbaugh
Anders Olson	Mariah Bigelow Teacher Rep	Nicki Pope Elem. Principal	Alex Hubing AP Principal
Nick Pretasky (WRCCS)			

Land Recognition Statement

We would like to recognize that Coulee Montessori occupies ancestral lands of the Ho-Chunk people, who have stewarded this land since time immemorial. Please take a moment to celebrate and honor this ancestral Ho-Chunk land, and the sacred lands of all indigenous peoples.

Call To Order/Expectations/Guests

Item	Presenter	Notes
Introductions of Guests	Kim	No guests today
Share Student Work	Teachers	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Plant sale hosted Friday/Saturday● Collaboration between Ms. Bigelow's E2 classroom and Ms. Rathke's Northside art classes. Monies raised go towards building projects for all students in the building to benefit from● Over 800 plants for sale, some also donated● Students created Marketing, conducted sales, ran money● Raised \$5,755 (goal was \$4,000)● Great community building event● Proceeds for playground swings

Governance Board Topics

Item	Presenter	Notes
Board Ed	Nick Pretasky, WRCCS	<p>(brainstorming) Indicators of success:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Teachers are teaching to the Montessori philosophy ● High levels of engagement/attendance ● Strong sense of community ● Students and family feel they are part of the school beyond what happens in the classroom ● Welcoming environment and support for all abilities ● Teacher retention ● Students continue through all years of Montessori <p>Governance board considerations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Should have a “dashboard” of measurement against the indicators of success ● Strongly recommend reviewing Charter and discussing it periodically <p>Charter school stats: 236 charter schools in WI, all are public 50K charter school students 100 authorizers (95 are school districts)</p> <p>3 types of charters</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. All LaX charters are instrumentality – all teachers are school district employees 2. Non-instrumentality - School district authorizes the school, but that’s it, not part of the business of running the school 3. Independently authorized (i.e. colleges and universities) <p>Charter governance board exists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Represent owners of school (tax payers) ● Make sure the school accomplishes what owners want ● Ensure the things that should not occur don’t occur <p>Two things that really matter for the governance board:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Student learning ● Charter finances
Elementary Principal Report	Nicki Pope	Ms. Pope not in attendance
Adolescent Principal Report	Alex Hubing	Mr. Hubing attended part of the meeting, but had dropped before this agenda item

Districtwide Parents Update	Nell, Amy	N/A
Facility Planning	Kim/Mariah	N/A
Spring board elections	Kim	Kathryn Wiegrefe – Board Member Alex Hiller – Treasurer Anders Olson – VP Nell motion, Melissa approve All voted yes/approved
2022-23 meeting schedule	Kim Mariah	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meetings will be on the same day for next school year First meeting to be in August
<u>Summer announcements:</u> Solar Show & Tell Rubber chip removal	Anders Nell	Solar: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Monday, June 20th from 4-6PM Celebration of panels that will be installed at NS/CM Art, music, prizes, food, solar lessons, kids activities, electric vehicles Rubber chips: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grants and/or district funding to remove rubber chips, deemed toxic and heats the playground Approx. \$15,000 cost
Other Business		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Low enrollment for Summer School Teachers meeting to decide if they look to cancel

PTO Topics

Item	Presenter	Notes
Secretary's Report	Melissa L.	April minutes approved
Treasurer's Report	Nell	Treasurer's report approved
Fund requests Cookies for grad Get Movin' fee	CM staff	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cookies for grads - Up to \$40 (does not need to be approved, less than \$75) • Mariah requested graduation gifts for 3rd and 5th graders - \$200 approved • Get Movin' Fundraising Website - \$500 approved <p>Mariah mentioned that \$500 from plant sale proceeds to be held over for next year, SET recommends keeping it in our account</p>
All-School Fund-raiser	Amy, Melissa	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Amy to work with Get Movin' to register for fundraising site • Amy, Melissa, Laura to connect in July with regard to fall fundraiser, will have something to share back to SET at August meeting
May 27 field day		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Soliciting a handful of volunteers for this event • Melissa to purchase/freeze/deliver 200 freeze pops
Other Business		

SPRING DATES:

W, June 1 1:15-2:45 CM Talent Show
 Th, June 2 1:30-2:30 Graduation ceremony

Adjourned at 7:32PM