

Garden Montessori Charter School of
Pasco County
Board Meeting Minutes
July 28, 2014 7:00 p.m.
Garden Montessori School
6845 N. Boyette Road
Wesley Chapel, FL 33545

Board Members:

Present: Cristina E. Perez, Richard Tschantz, Pat Mulieri and Beth Sumner-Finlay

Absent: Kimberly Preston

Quorum Present? Yes

Others Present: John Selover, Patricia Gutierrez, Stefani Ruskin, Darlene Pla-Tschantz and Laura Trejos.

Proceedings: Meeting called to order by Board Member Richard Tschantz

Consultant's Report: John Selover

Introductions and review of the Charter Application progress for new Board Members. The application will be placed in the Dropbox account.

Approval of Minutes: The July 21, 2014 minutes were reviewed and upon proper motion and second, **Approved.**

Election of Officers: Nominations for Officers of the Board of Directors were made and votes were taken. The following Board Members were duly elected to office:

Richard Tschantz	President
Cristina Perez	Vice President
Kimberly Preston	Secretary
Beth Sumner-Finlay	Treasurer

Point Person:

Richard Tschantz, President, was elected as the Point Person for the District School Board communications during the applications process.

Cristina Perez, Vice President, was delegated signature authority, if necessary, for purposes of the application submittal while the President is out of town through August 3, 2014.

Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws:

The Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws were reviewed and upon motion and second, approved unanimously. A further discussion was held regarding the requirements of the Florida Sunshine Laws that apply to this Board and its Committees.

Garden Montessori Charter School, Inc.: Upon motion made and second, the Board unanimously approved the filing of the Not-For-Profit incorporation of the Garden Montessori Charter School, Inc. by its attorney.

Application for Charter School:

The Board gave its consent for the filing of the application for the Garden Montessori Charter School, in Pasco County, Florida.

Management and Financial Services Companies:

The Board gave its full consent and support to hire Garden Educational Management Services (GEMS) and School Financial Services (SFS) as its Management and Financial Services Companies.

Board Approval of Development Funding:

The Board gave its full consent and support to pledge up to \$100,000 in development funds to the Garden Montessori School for the development of the Charter School.

Board Member Training:

The Board Members were instructed to obtain the necessary and proper training for the governance of Charter Schools. Each Board Member agreed to obtain the training at the Florida Charter School Governance Training website or in person.

Other Business:

John Selover will be the Board Members Point of Contact for individual discussions between Board Meetings.

Next Meeting: August 25, 2014 @ 7:00 p.m.

Meeting Adjourned: 9:10 p.m.

Minutes Prepared By: Richard Tschantz