Meeting Minutes of the 03/15/2017 Special Meeting
Countryside Montessori Charter School Board of Directors
Countryside Montessori Charter School, Inc., a Florida Not for Profit Corporation

A special meeting of the Board of Directors of the Countryside Montessori Charter School, Inc. (CMCS) was held at Panera Bread Wednesday 03/15/2017.

#### Call to Order:

Director Michelle Ferraro who declared that a quorum was present and that the meeting was open for business called the meeting to order at 1800 hours.

#### Roll Call:

In attendance: Directors Michelle Ferraro, Barb Goiran, Niketa Patel, and Alice Godwin. Also in attendance was Mary Rivers.

## Public Comment:

None Scheduled

### New Business:

1. The Board reviewed and discussed the current Board Member selection policy. It was agreed the process as written in the Policy and Procedures manual does not need any changes, and no amendment is necessary at this time. The current policy reads as follows:

## Recruitment of Board Members

As referenced in the school's By-Laws, all parents, legal guardians of student enrolled in Countryside Montessori Charter School are eligible for a seat on the Board of Directors.

New member vacancies occurring in the Board for any reason may be filled by any means as agreed to by a majority vote of the current Board members. Newly founded Board member candidates will be voted into directorship by a majority of the then in office Board member vote.

Any prospective Board Member(s) will meet with the Board of Directors during a scheduled Board meeting, and be recognized at the beginning of the meeting.

During the meeting, the prospective Board member(s) will be given an opportunity to make statements pertaining to their interest in Board membership, qualifications, and any other relevant information including any potential conflicts of interest. The current Board members will be given an opportunity to ask questions.

The prospective Board member can stay for the entire meeting, or choose to leave prior to adjournment. The current Board members can decide to vote immediately, or to hold the vote until the next meeting.

Once a final vote has been approved, the potential Board member will be notified by the President or Vice President of the Board, and asked to begin attending Board meetings and orientation.

2. The Board reviewed and discussed the maximum number of Board Members. The current bylaws state up to 11 Board Members. After discussion, it was decided that a maximum of 7 Board Members is sufficient to carry out the duties of the Board of Directors. A unanimous vote of 4/0 was entered and **APPROVED** by a signature of a majority of Directors. The amended bylaw will read as follows and be included in the Board Policies and Procedures.

#### Number of Directors

The number of Governing Board Directors shall not be less than three (3) and not more than seven (7), and may be decreased or increased as needed, but can never be less than three (3).

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<u>Adjournment:</u> The meeting adjourned at 1900 by Director Michelle Ferraro at the close of business.

Approved this day, April 18, 2017.

Michelle Ferraro

Alice Godwin