Countryside Montessori Charter School Board of Directors Agenda November 17, 2015

Call to Order

Roll Call

Public Comments

• No Public Comments Scheduled

Approval of Minutes from the 10/20/2015 meeting.

Review / Approve October Financials (includes 2nd quarter comparison to actual budget).

Old Business

- 1. New BOD Member Testing
- 2. Purchase of adjacent property

New Business

- 1. Parental Involvement Representative Accountability Report Holly DePiro
- 2. 2014 2015 Charter School Annual Review
- 3. Vision / Mission
- 4. Letter to the Board

Off Agenda Items

Discipline Matters

Teacher / Staff Resignations

Adjournment

Workshop Minutes of the 11/17/2015 Meeting Countryside Montessori Charter School Board of Directors Countryside Montessori Charter School, Inc., a Florida Not for Profit Corporation

A meeting of the Board of Directors of the Countryside Montessori Charter School, Inc. (CMCS) was held at the school on Tuesday, September 22, 2015.

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 1539 hours.

Roll Call:

In attendance: Directors Michelle Ferraro, Niketa Patel, Alice Godwin and Robin Blinder. Also in attendance were Mary Rivers, Karen Mantei, Dr. Michael Rom, Jack Licht and Rosanna Licht.

Public Comment:

None Scheduled.

Approval of Minutes:

The minutes from the October 20, 2015 meeting were reviewed. Director Niketa Patel motioned for approval. Director Alice Godwin seconded the motion. A unanimous vote of 4/0 was entered and **APPROVED** by a signature of a majority of Directors.

Approval of Financials:

Financials from August (including 2nd quarter comparison to actual budget) were reviewed. Director Michelle Ferraro motioned for approval. Director Niketa Patel seconded the motion. A unanimous vote of 4/0 was entered and **APPROVED** by a signature of a majority of Directors.

Old Business:

- 1. New BOD Member Robin Blinder completed her Board of Director testing.
- 2. No response on latest offer on the adjacent property. It could take up to 2 months for a response.

New Business:

- 1. Dr. Rom presented the Parental Involvement Representative Accountability Report on Holly DePiro's behalf. The Board reviewed the report and commended Holly for her efforts. The Board also asked Dr. Rom to relay their desire for more aggressive measures be taken to research grant opportunities.
- 2. The Board reviewed and discussed the 2014 2015 Charter School Annual Review. Overall, it went very well. There were points noted on the report that the Board and the Administration do not agree with (contract with Karen Mantei and Mary Rivers, approval of financials, and policy and procedures). The audit has been pulled from the District agenda, so at this time, we are not allowed to submit a formal response.
- 3. The vision and mission as it pertains to the future path of CMCS will be completed SY2016 / 2017. Data gathered from committee meetings and classroom observations from SY2015 / 2016 will be compiled so a comprehensive vision and mission plan can be created.
- 4. The Board recognized receipt of a letter from Mr. Jack Licht and Mrs. Rosanna Licht. The letter, titled "Comments for Consideration" was emailed to all Board members on 11/16/2015. The Board will respond to Mr. and Mrs. Licht, via formal letter, no later than 01/19/2016.

Off Agenda:

1. Director Michelle Ferraro suggested that CMCS make better use of their already existing Facebook page. At this time, the website is being revamped to be more user friendly, and the administration commented that Ashly Holcomb (CMCS Administrative Assistant) would manage the Facebook page.

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Discipline Matters:

NONE

Teacher / Staff Resignations:

NONE

Adjournment:

The meeting adjourned at 1635 by Director Michelle Ferraro at the close of business.

Approved this day, January 19, 2016.

Michelle Ferraro

Niketa Patel

Alice Godwin

Robin Blinder /