

May Sands Montessori School
1400 United Street, #110 Key West, Florida 33040
Meeting Minutes: May Sands Montessori Board of Directors
November 14, 2016

Present: Lynn Barras, Principal; President; Briana Castillo; President; Alex Thommes; Vice President; Melissa Trader, Treasurer; Patrick Rice, Secretary; Amy Bradshaw, Board Member; Nancy Brundage; Board Member; Jen Doll; Board Member, Amy Stotts, Parent Liaison; Kristen Winters; PR committee member

Absent (excused): Ed Dawicki, Board Member; Layla Barr, Board Member; Board Member; Leslie Concepcion Board Member;

Community Member: Stephanie Southgate

Meeting called to order: 5:04 PM

Motion to Approve Agenda:

- Amy moved; Jen Doll 2nd
- Unanimous approval

Program Reports

- Kristin Osprey Class Lower Elementary
- Suzanne Trottier – Seahorse
 - Color game
 - Science games – what a scientist is
 - Symphony education
- Shannon Parks – Math and Science
 - Working on shapes
 - STEM fair
 - Life science
- Jenni Franke – ELA and History
 - MLA and APA citing
 - Valid sources on the internet
- Penny – Upper El
 - Cultural trips
 - Nat. History Museum
 - Miami Seaquarium
 - End Semester with Holidays around the world

President's Report:

- Old business
 - Lease continues and attorneys are in discussion to determine if we are at an impasse
 - Discussion about possible facility alternatives
 - Patrick agreed to explore grant options
 - Lynn discussed rationale for need of 400 bldg.
 - If May Sands Montessori owns bldg. eligible for PECO funding (est. \$40-\$45K/yr)
 - Name change ceremony on 11/18/2016
 - Flag raising at 8:30AM

Secretary's Report:

- Amy moved and Jen Doll 2nd
- Unanimous approval

Treasurer's Report (Melissa):

- Tabled until next month

Principal's Report:

- Service Hours increasing trend
- Instructional report and enrichment report
 - Ms. Rachel started music
 - Suggested finding a new place for music or sound proofing the room so not to disturb other students (e.g. geometry students)
 - Discussion about balancing music class loads on different days
- IT infrastructure
 - \$15.5K to be spent towards
 - new switches and wireless access points
 - 50 Chrome books for students
- Discussed ethnicity breakdown
- Discussed economic data
 - Discussed survey for free lunch to use for economic data
 - Discussed a one-click survey based on family size and income ranges
- Superintendent mentioned name change in his weekly report

Committee Reports:

- Climbing wall after Thanksgiving
- Layla and Melissa working on the Gala
 - Ordered tickets
 - Black tie upscale mask event
- Bazaar
 - Looking for booths

Citizen Input

- No Citizen input

Good of the Order:

- Briana thanked the board for all the hard work.

Next meeting – Tentative Monday December 12, 2016 at 5:00 PM.

Motion to adjourn:

- Melissa motioned and Alex 2nd
- Unanimous approval

May Sands Montessori Board Secretary,
Patrick Rice