

SHERWOOD MONTESSORI

MINUTES FOR BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING of OCTOBER 5, 2011

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** at 5:32 PM at 746 Moss Avenue.
Board Present: Russell Shapiro-Chair; Erwin Williams; Rae Morrison; Stephen Lucas;
David Green
Absent: Jill Bailey; Harvey Rappaprot
Others Present: Michelle Yezbick, School Director
Paula Stern, Staff Representative
John Howlett, Staff Representative

2. **CONSENT AGENDA**
 - 2.1 **Approval of Minutes of August 24 and September 7, 2011.**
Director Lucas moved approval of the Consent Agenda. 2nd *Director Williams*.
AYES: 5 (Morrison, Green, Shapiro, Lucas, Green)
NOES: 0
ABSTAIN: 0

3. **REPORTS AND COMMUNICATION**
 - 3.1 **Board Chairs Report**
Chair Shapiro provided an update on budget issues, the annual audit, fundraising efforts and offered his overall observation that SM is operating within its limited means and planning appropriately for future years. He would also like to begin reviewing fiscal policies for the next year.
 - 3.2 **School Director's Report**
School Director Yezbick provided a report discussing ongoing activities at the school.
Director Morrison requested an update on health insurance plans and costs.
School Director Yezbick provided an update and discussed changes in plans.
John Howlett asked about maintenance issues identified by CUSD.
School Director Yezbick discussed issues and necessary fixes.
 - 3.3 **Staff Report**
Paula Stern provided an update from all teachers by grade that highlighted various projects and achievements.
 - 3.4 **Sherwood Montessori Parents Organization Report – None**

4. **REGULAR BUSINESS**
 - 4.1 **Status of Committees for the New School Year**
Chair Shapiro provided an overview of the proposed Board Committee structures and the role of committees.
Director Morrison offered her concern that committees not overlap with staff responsibilities.
Director Green motioned to establish the following committees: Management; School Development; Educational Practices; and Finance. 2nd *Director Williams*.
AYES: 5 (Morrison, Green, Shapiro, Lucas, Green)
NOES: 0
ABSTAIN: 0

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5. PUBLIC COMMENT ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA – None
6. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS. None
7. ADJOURNMENT : 7:10

Approved: December 7, 2011


Russell Shapiro, Chair