

**MINUTES OF  
THE MONTESSORI ELEMENTARY SCHOOL  
GOVERNING COUNCIL  
November 16th, 2021  
THE MONTESSORI ELEMENTARY SCHOOL  
1730 Montano Road, NE  
ALBUQUERQUE, NM 87107**

Present: Alan Li, Pablo Torres, Jill Riester

Absent: Ed Gonzales, Jordan Reed

Administration: Mary Jane Besante, Stan Albrycht

Note taker: Mary Jane Besante

Alan called the Regular Meeting of the Governing Council to order at 4:37 pm and confirmed a quorum was present with a roll call vote.

**Public Comment:** None

**Approval of meeting agenda:**

Pablo's motion to approve the agenda was seconded by Jill and passed unanimously.

**Review and approve regular meeting minutes for October 26th, 2021**

Pablo's motion to approve the minutes for the Regular Meeting, held on October 26th, 2021 was seconded by Jill and passed unanimously.

**Discussion/Action – Finance Committee**

I. BARS

A. **Bar Number 529-000-2122-0008-I**

1. Jill moved to approve the BAR and was seconded by Pablo and passed unanimously with a roll call vote.

II. Expense Reports – Council members reviewed the October expense report.

A. Jill's motion to approve the October expense report as reviewed by the finance committee was seconded by Pablo and passed unanimously.

III. Chair Update – The audit and audit exit interview have both been completed.

**Discussion – Director's Report**

Mary Jane presented the Director's Report with the GC. Current student count for SY 21-22 is 441. See attached report.

**Discussion/Action – HB 43 Black Education ACT; Discipline; Employee Training; & Student Policies.**

- I. Pablo moved to approve the HB 43 Black Education ACT language, with Jill seconding, and passed unanimously.
- II. Jill moved to approve Discipline changes, with Pablo seconding, and passed unanimously.
- III. Jill moved to approve Employee Training, with Pablo seconding, and passed unanimously.
- IV. Jill moved to approve Student Policies, with Pablo seconding, and passed unanimously.

**Discussion/Action – Board Training**

The board had a discussion over next steps with board training.

**New Business – Next Meeting**

The next meeting will be scheduled for December 14th.

**Adjournment**

Jill's motion to adjourn the meeting was seconded by Pablo. Meeting adjourned at 4:57 pm.

Signed:

Governing Council of The Montessori Elementary School

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Jordan Reed, Secretary