

**MINUTES OF
THE MONTESSORI ACADEMY
GOVERNING COUNCIL
June 9th, 2026
THE MONTESSORI ACADEMY
1730 Montano Road, NE
ALBUQUERQUE, NM 87107
Meeting took place at 200 El Pueblo, Los Ranchos, NM 87114**

Present: Alan Li, Mary Chappell, Mary Salazar, Kristin Ray

Absent: Javier Benavidez

Administration: Piper Curry, Stan Albrycht (telephone)

Note taker: Alan Li

Alan called the Regular Meeting of the Governing Council to order at 4:43 pm and confirmed a quorum was present with a roll call vote. Javier was absent.

Approval of meeting agenda

Mary C's motion to approve the agenda, was seconded by Kristin and passed unanimously.

Public Comment

None.

Review and approve the Regular Meeting minutes for May 26th, 2026

Mary S's motion to approve the minutes for the Regular Meeting, held on May 26th, 2026, was seconded by Mary C. and passed unanimously.

Discussion/Action – Finance Committee

- I. BARS
 - A. 529-000-2526-0040-T
 - 1. Mary S's motion to approve the BAR was seconded by Kristin and passed unanimously.
 - B. 529-000-2526-0041-M
 - 1. Mary S's motion to approve the BAR was seconded by Mary C. and passed unanimously.
 - C. 529-000-2526-0042-M
 - 1. Mary S's motion to approve the BAR was seconded by Mary C. and passed unanimously.
 - D. 529-000-2526-0043-M
 - 1. Mary S's motion to approve the BAR was seconded by Kristin and passed unanimously.

- II. Expense Reports – Mary S. moved to approve the May Expense Report and was seconded by Mary C. and passed unanimously.
- III. Chair Update – The GC reviewed the balance sheet for the Activities Fund. When asked, the GC was informed that any leftover funds are transferred to funding the EAs.

Discussion/Action – Updated/New Policies

Mary C. moved to approve Policy 532: Field Trip Scholarship Policy with Kristin seconding. The motion passed 4-0 by a roll call vote.

Mary C. moved to approve the updates to Policy 305: Student Dress Code with Krisin seconding. The motion passed 4-0 by a roll call vote.

Mary C. moved to approve Policy 353: Middle and High School Grading and Final Assessments with Kristin seconding. The motion passed 4-0 by a roll call vote.

Discussion/Action – Staff Handbook

Alan's motion to approve the 26-27 Staff Handbook was seconded by Mary C and passed unanimously.

Discussion/Action – Student Handbook Updates

Mary C's motion to approve the updates to the 26-27 Student Handbook was seconded by Mary S and passed unanimously.

Discussion/Action – Chromebook Disposal

Mary S's motion to proceed with the process of disposal of chromebooks identified in the Board packet was seconded by Mary C and passed unanimously.

Discussion/Action – Director's Report

Current student count is 539. See attached report.

CLOSED SESSION – Limited Personnel matters

Alan's motion to move into Closed Session, inviting Stan Albrycht, Amanda Hagerty, Alissa Sanchez, and Tahirih Garcia, was seconded by Mary C. The motion passed 4-0 with a roll call vote. The Governing Council closed the meeting at 5:59 pm.

The 4 invitees left the Closed Session at 6:10 pm.

Piper Curry was invited into the Closed Session at 6:17 pm.

Discussion/Action – Matters Discussed in Closed Session

Alan's motion to reconvene in Open Session and to reaffirm that only matters related to Limited Personnel matters were discussed and no votes were taken, was seconded by Mary C. The motion passed 4-0 by a roll call vote at 6:39 pm.

Discussion/Action – Director's End of Year Evaluation

Mary S's motion to approve the Executive Director's End of Year Evaluation was seconded by Kristin and passed 4-0 with a roll call vote.

Discussion/Action – Board Training

The GC discussed remaining training. All training other than 1 hour for Alan Li was confirmed to be completed. Alan said he would confirm with PED about that last hour or complete by the end of the month.

New Business – Next Meeting

The GC was reminded about the scheduled July Annual Meeting to take place on July 28th at the Montano campus.

The GC also scheduled the August Regular Meeting to take place on August 18th at the Montano campus.

Adjournment

Mary C's motion to adjourn the meeting was seconded by Mary S. and passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 6:47 pm.

Signed:

Governing Council of The Montessori Academy

By: _____

Alan Li, TMA Secretary