



Richmond Association for Montessori Meeting Minutes

Date | time November 30, 2017 | 7:07PM

Location Garden City Elementary School

Meeting called to order by Danny Yee

In Attendance

Danny Yee (Chair), Rachelle Barretto (Secretary), Kanny Chow (Treasurer), Rika Motohashi (Fundraising), and Natasha Mavis (dropped off McKinney donations and donation spreadsheet)

School Administrator

Ms. Lisa Schulz, Principal, Garden City Elementary School

Approval of Minutes

MOTION: To approve the minutes from October 5, 2017 Meeting. Moved by Danny Yee, seconded by Kanny Chow, motion carried.

Welcome and Introductions

The Board and principal are introduced

Principal's Report

Principal Lisa Schulz presented her report on behalf of the Administrators

- Steves
 - Collating Montessori materials sooner than later
 - Donna Matheson is acting principal
- McKinney
 - Montessori workshop by Val Stevenson regarding cohesion and consistency among schools and what learning environments looks like and what help and support what teachers need
 - Working on buying some Montessori materials as well
- Garden City
 - Has bought some Montessori materials also
 - Looking into acquiring reading cards and reading books
- High Kindergarten enrollment for the following school year anticipated
 - Susan Roy will be present for Montessori and French immersion draw

Treasurer Report

- Refer to financial handout provided at meeting
- Parent education fund \$3000 from remainder of 2016-2017 bursary funding
- Garden City to submit invoices for materials for 2016-2017 collaboration funding
 - **MOTION:** To approve US\$2516.40 + Shipping and Custom Fees for Garden City invoice to be applied on 2016-2017 Garden City collaboration funding. Moved by Danny Yee, seconded by Rika Motohashi, motion carried.
- McKinney has submitted invoices for materials for 2016-2017 collaboration funding
 - **MOTION:** To approve \$2425.28 for McKinney invoices to be applied on 2016-2017 McKinney collaboration funding. To approve \$370 for McKinney invoices to be applied on 2017-2018 McKinney collaboration fund. Moved by Danny Yee, seconded by Kanny Chow, motion carried.
- 2017-2018 Proposed budget presented
 - To be approved at next meeting

Fundraising Committee

- Donation drive generated \$10450
- Rika Motohashi drew the winner for \$150 Gift Card to Costco: Chris and Natasha Mavis!

Additional Business

- Danny to seek legal advice regarding change in BC Societies Act
- Danny Yee to look into having a Post-secondary education grant/scholarship for a graduating Grade 12 student who was previously attended a Montessori school
- Rika Motohashi to research ideas regarding speaker to attend parent info night (example: How to bring Montessori in the home?)
 - Reach out to parents: If you were to have a workshop, what would you like to learn? Connect with Faye Huang to start a poll on Facebook page or website

Tabled until next meeting:

- April Tanzler had suggested that the RAM Executive needs to look at revising the mandate of RAM given the new changes over the last few years
- Approve 2017-2018 Proposed budget

Next Meeting

To be confirmed - either Thursday, February 8, 2018 or Thursday, February 15, 2018 at Manoah Steves Elementary School

Motion to adjourn was made at 8:04PM and was passed unanimously