



Board of Directors - Regular Monthly Meeting

July 24, 2013 6:00 – 8:00 pm

2904 W. Kiowa St., Colorado Springs, CO 80904

AGENDA

Mission Statement – Dedication to the Conscious Evolution of the Whole Child – MSCS is a community of families and educators dedicated to the conscious evolution of the whole child utilizing developmentally appropriate holistic education that nurtures body, mind and heart. Our aim is to bring forth healthy, confident, free-thinking, self-directed children who are passionately engaged with their education and empowered to contribute positively to the world.

Vision Statement – MSCS is an educational community committed to the healthy growth and development of the whole child. Health includes the physical, emotional, and social realms. Through a curriculum inspired by Waldorf methods, our teachers nurture the imagination in the early years, building a foundation for abstract thinking, gradually and appropriately challenging the intellect throughout the grades. Equal emphasis is placed on a solid academic program, artistic expression, social development and attention to the inner life and natural rhythms of the child. MSCS is committed to creating a healthy community which reflects and supports our common values. Children develop social responsibility and feel a greater sense of significance in a small, supportive environment which promotes close long-term relationships with classmates and teachers. In an atmosphere of respectful clear communication, cooperation and parent participation, children flourish and grow to be healthy, capable, contributing human beings. Teaching children to care for and respect the earth encourages global responsibility and promotes environmentally conscious living. The celebration of seasonal festivals is vital as children joyously experience the earth's natural cycles. By reducing or eliminating exposure to electronic media and encouraging a cooperative rather than a competitive milieu, a child's inherent creative and intellectual abilities unfold naturally. Teaching is presented to children in a way which fills both teacher and student with wonder, reverence and enthusiasm.

1. Call to Order – 6:00 – 6:15
 - a. Roll Call
 - b. Read Mission and Vision Statements – **Kim & Sandra**
 - c. Public Comment (3 min per speaker)
 - d. Approval of June 18, 2013 Minutes

2. Operational Business – 6:15 – 7:25
 - a. Director's Report – **Neah**
 - i. Facilities (30 min)
 1. Getting ready to open – anticipated needs and plan for each - **Neah**
 2. Fire department visit - **Sarah**
 3. Wall demolition - **Rita**
 4. Parking, drop off & pick up plan – **Melanie**
 5. Garden - **Neah**
 - ii. Hiring (15 min)
 1. Update on new hires & vacant positions
 2. School nurse

3. Janitorial services
 4. status of employee handbook
 - iii. Enrollment (5 min)
 1. Update
 2. Status of student handbook
 - iv. Music Program (5 min)
 - v. In service opportunity (5 min)
 - vi. Open house on August 11 - **Sandra** (10 min)
3. Board News and Training 7:25 – 7:55
 - a. Regular meetings form July 1 (well, August!) – June 30 term:
 - i. 2nd or 4th Wednesday of the month?
 - ii. 2nd, 3rd or 4th Thursday of the month?
 - b. Review and sign Board Member Agreement (available on Google Doc) - **Rita**
 - c. Development of School Committees – **Sandra & Raj**
 - d. Parent Council – **Eva**
 - e. Online board training to start in August
4. Adjournment
 - a. Next Board meeting: August . . .
 - b. Motion to adjourn