



Legacy of Dr. Josie R. Johnson Montessori Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

February 15, 2022 6-8 p.m.

Zoom link: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/4101375155>

Passcode: 862312

Attendees: Edwinna Johnson, Jackie Williams, Tonicia Abdur Salam, Crown Shepherd, Shawna Maryanovich, Emily Luetgeb and, Dawn Burns

Guest: S. Bradley-Rhoden, Shaquille Fields, Fay Hopkins

- Motion to start meeting made by Edwinna Johnson and Emily Luetgeb 2nd the motion at 0602 PM
 - Approved by unanimous vote

1. Open- Read Mission & Vision- Read by Edwinna Johnson

- **Mission:** JJ Legacy School provides an excellent and equitable Montessori education in North Minneapolis to an intentionally diverse community of students.
- **Vision:** Our students will develop the character strengths, social and emotional skills, creativity, passion for learning and college-preparatory academic capabilities that will enable them to lead lives of joy and purpose.

2. Calls for Conflict of Interest

- No conflicts of interest

3. Consent Approval-

- **Board Operations Committee: 1/27/2022**
- **Standard Board Meeting minutes: 1/18/2022**
 - Edwinna Johnson motioned to approve the standard board meeting and board operations committee meeting minutes for the above dates. Jackie Williams seconded the motion.
 - Approved by unanimous vote

4 Table Items

- **Executive Committee update/minutes: 2/7/2022 Tabled until next Board Meeting.**
- **Finance Report: Tabled until next Board Meeting**

5. School Leader Report: Ms. T.

- Student especially 5th and 6th graders are being effected by the violence in MPLS. Staff taking extra care of scholars during these troubling times. The school is looking into different crowdfunding options to help support scholars and students.
- The student that was burned will have to have surgery.
- Abused student was taken from safe family home and place back with abusive family in a different state.
- NWEA scores - Growth in reading from Fall to Winter for all grades except 5th & 6th grade.
- Most grades are close if not above the national average in reading and

math.


- Crown commented that the scores look great.
- Growth in math score from fall to winter except for 5th grade.
- Mrs. T explains how the scores from 5th grader usually dip because of the introduction to new material and a hard course load from 4th to 5th grade. She explain that this is normal for this time period in a scholars school journey.
- K- 2 grade scores were unavailable at the time of the meeting because they had test that day and scores take up to 24 hrs to post.
- New tutoring program is going well, the biggest issue is getting students home after because it is an afterschool program. Mrs. T proposed buying a 26 passenger bus to aid in the drop off of scholars from afterschool programs.
- Emily thanks Mrs. T for clear data with the test scores.
- Emily expresses concern about the 5th graders test scores in reading and math.
- Mrs. T states that this is normal for 5th graders. She also informs the board that most of the scholars being effected by the violence in MPLS are the 5th graders. She expressed that the staff is giving the scholars grace because they understand how hard it is to focus at school when you home life is falling apart.
- Emily praised Mrs. T for her efforts to support the scholars through it all.
- Emily congratulated Mrs. T for her transparency about the scholars and the test scores.
- Emily also commented that she was worried about the expenses for a new bus.
- Ms. Jackie commented about how great the test score were with the scholars coming out of holiday break and social distance learning.
- Mrs. T explains how most of the 2000 books have been given away to scholars. The books are helping the scholars improve and excel.
- An inspection of the air quality in the building resulted in good scores. The staff will continue to do what they have been doing ensure safe work environment for staff and scholars.
- There was a COVID scare for the 2nd graders the week before. Staff tested all 2nd graders.
- School currently has 4 COVID testing machines.
- Ms. T presented us with the new school dog, Midnight Luna. Training the dog to be emotional support dog for students and staff.

6. Board Governance

- **Operations Committee updates:**
 - **Edwinna M. Johnson: Osprey Wilds New Board Member Training held on Tuesday February 8th, 2022. Next training will be February 22, 2022**
 - Edwinna attended the Feb 8th training. She stayed the whole day. Enjoyed the training. Edwinna stated that the information that was presented was very informative to her as a board member.
 - The next training is Feb 22nd.
 - Edwinna requested other members experiences about the training.

- **Minutes of meeting:**
 - Board Roster Updates for Authorizer
 - Reviewed Roster, defined edits needed
 - jackwil382@gmail.com Jackie took action item to make necessary edits and send to authorizer and publish to website
 - Board Rotation Schedule Updates
 - Reviewed Rotation Schedule and defined updates needed
 - jackwil382@gmail.com Jackie took action to update schedule Rotation Schedule with the names of newly elected people in correct positions per below:
 - **Position 1, Board Group 1 Term: through 2023 Election**
 - Total Candidates on Ballot: 1
 - Candidate that won position: Jacqueline Williams
 - **Position 4, Board Group 1 Term: through 2023 Election**
 - Total Candidates on Ballot: 1
 - Candidate that won position Julie Flexhaug
 - **Position 2, Board Group 2 Term: through 2024 Election**
 - Total Candidates on Ballot: 1
 - Candidate that won position: Crown Shepherd
 - **Position 5, Board Group 2 Term: through 2024 Election**
 - Total Candidates on Ballot: 1
 - Candidate that won position: Dawn Burns
 - **Position 3, Board Group 3 Term: through 2022 Election**
 - Total Candidates on Ballot: 1
 - Candidate that won position: Edwinna Johnson
 - **Position 9, Board Group 3 Term: through 2022 Election**
 - Total Candidates on Ballot: 1
 - Candidate that won position: Lindsey Berwald
 - **Position 7, 10, 13, 16, & 19, Board Group 1 Term: through 2023 Election**
 - Total Candidates on Ballot: 0
 - Candidate that won position: None
 - **Position 8, 11, 14, 17, & 20, Board Group 2 Term: through 2024 Election**
 - Total Candidates on Ballot: 0
 - Candidate that won position: None
 - **Position 12, 15, & 18, Board Group 3 Term: through 2022 Election**
 - Total Candidates on Ballot: 0
 - Candidate that won position: None
 - Charter Template for PIP
 - Establish template from existing committee charters because original template document could not be located.

- edwinnajamey@gmail.com Edwinna took action to complete the template and email to Shawna and Jackie.
 - [Shawna Maryanovich](#) Shawna will save to Board Operations Folder.
 - jackwil382@gmail.com Jackie will communicate to PIP committee that they need to review the contract and the committee charter template, and to meet to discuss their plans and questions about their committee's scope and approach. Request that they are prepared to give a verbal update in the 2/15 board meeting and have their committee charter complete by March 8th.
- Training Tracking
- Currently no tracking or evidence of current board member's training taken
 - edwinnajamey@gmail.com Edwinna will send an email to board requesting their evidence of trainings taken. Instruct that if they do not have the evidence or have not taken necessary training, they need to attend the Feb 8 Authorizer-offered training.

Submitted by: 
Jacqueline Williams

Approved: MARCH 15, 2022