

## **Bluffview Montessori Board of Directors Meeting Minutes- October 25, 2023**

**BMS Board Members Present-**, Mariah White, Anna Aarre,, Shelly Merchlewitz, Jessica McIlrath, Henry Schantzen

**Board Member Absent** -Meghan Booth, Marcy Faircloth, Crystal Hegge

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**1- Meeting was called to order at 6:31 pm**

**2- Approve Agenda -**

Moved - Anna Aarre 2nd - Shelly Merchlewitz

approved unanimously

**3 - Approve minutes from 9/21/23 Add Marcy to board members present, take Rod off**

**Moved as amended- Anna Aarre, Second Shelly Merchlewitz**

approved unanimously

**Old Business**

**New Business**

**4 - Open Forum**

**5 - SeptemberFY24 Financial and Supplemental Reports**

Move to approve -- Shelly Merchlewitz, Second – Jessica McIlrath

Unanimously approved

Financials are outdated- will be updated next Monday when Henry and Travis work on it

**6- Consent Agenda**

HOS-

Motion to approve consent agenda - Shelly Merchlewitz Second - Anna Aarre

Unanimously approved

**7- Fastbridge Fall Screening Data**

Motion to approve- Anna Aarre , 2nd Shelly Merchlewitz

Unanimously approved

**8 -Combined Worlds Best Workforce (WBWF) & Annual Report**

Motion to approve- Anna Aarre 2nd Jessica McIlrath

Unanimously approved

**9 - Bylaws update: removed Pedagogy Committee, added B&G**

Motion to approve- Shelly Merchlewitz 2nd- Anna Aarre

Unanimously approved

**10 - Policies: 424, 425, 507, 513, 524, 532, 601, 602, 603, WAPS 709**

**11 - Annual Cycle of Review:**

Montessori Philosophy: Work of the child

**12 - Reminder - November meeting to start at 6pm. No Finance meeting in Nov.**

Reminder: Next month (11/16) will be a 6:00 start and will include Financial training by Travis Berends (Creative Planning, formerly BerganKDV), updating the FY24 budget, & potentially reviewing the audit if it is completed at this time. Finance Committee will not meet in November, but should attend the finance training with the full Board.

**13 - Additional new business**

Anna Aarre - need a policy or handbook guideline regarding students that are Kdg- but are in the lottery-repeating pre-k. They will need to apply for the lottery for 1st grade, not automatically entered.

**14 - Adjourn**

Motion to Adjourn: Shelly Merchlewitz , 2nd Jessica McIlrath

Unanimously approved

Adjourn at 7:39 pm