

LEELANAU MONTESSORI PUBLIC SCHOOL ACADEMY

Minutes - Special Meeting of the Board of Directors

Tuesday, February 10, 2026 at 1:00 p.m.

At the Leelanau County Government Center

Lower Level Community Room

8527 Government Center Drive Suttons Bay, MI 49682

This meeting is a meeting of the Board of Directors in public for the purpose of conducting the Academy's business and is not to be considered a public community meeting. There is a time for public participation during the meeting as indicated in agenda items 4 and 10.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Abbott called the meeting to order at 1:03 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

The following board members were present: Anita Abbott (President), Sarah Bordeaux (Vice President), April Fiorelli (Treasurer), Deb Kuhn (Secretary), Tom McConnell (Director), Hallie Kutschke (Director).

3. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Motion made by Bordeaux and seconded by Kuhn to approve the agenda as presented. The motion was approved unanimously.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

none

5. OLD BUSINESS

none

5. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Updates from LMFF Liaison on current fundraising efforts.
Kutschke shared an update. Kuhn made a motion for LMFF to take lead on the current fundraising campaign including the development of our message. McConnell seconded. Motion approved unanimously.
- b. Update from Hiring Committee Chair on Head of School search.
Bordeaux shared update
- c. Approval of hiring committee members.
Motion made by Kutchke seconded by McConnell to approve members of the Hiring Committee (Bordeaux, Kuhn, and four staff (Goodell, Couturier, Channer, Hill). Motion approved unanimously.

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- d. Discussion on new committees: purpose, membership, leadership
In-depth discussion and recommendations for reestablishment of certain committees at February board meeting.

6. PUBLIC COMMENT Public comment given by a parent in attendance.

7. BOARD COMMENT Vice President Bordeaux thanked everyone for their efforts.

8. ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Bordeaux and seconded by McConnell to adjourn the meeting at 2:00 p.m.

Motion approved unanimously.

The School has provided public notice of this meeting by posting it at the entrance of Leelanau Montessori.

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