

Leelanau Montessori Public School Academy (LMPSA)
Wednesday, May 21, 2025
8527 E Government Center Drive, Suttons Bay, MI 49682

1. **Call to Order:** Vice President Abbott called the meeting to order at 6:01pm
2. **Roll Call:** Vice President Abbott, Secretary Kuhn, Director McConnell
Absent: President Bordeaux; Director Kutschke
Others: Arden Wilson-Head of School, Nora Goodell- Recording Secretary, Abby Mikolowski – Bay Mills, April Fiorelli – LMPSA Parent, Dani Geraci – LMPSA Parent and LMFF President, Rebecca Clinton – LMPSA Parent and LMFF Board Member

3. Approval of May 21, 2025, Agenda

Director Kuhn notes the following amendments to the agenda: Delete Line Item 11; Add a new Item #11 to approve Hallie Kutsche as LMFF Board Member, #14 as Board Member Self-Assessment and re-number thereafter

MOVED BY Secretary Kuhn SECONDED BY Director McConnell TO APPROVE THE May 21, 2025, MEETING AGENDA AS AMENDED.

YES: ALL NAYS: NONE ABSENT: 2 MOTION CARRIED

4. **Public Comment** – HOS Wilson thanked the Gathering Committee for offering 3 of our 4 gatherings this year. Their hard work made a difference to bring us all together!

5. Revisions/Approval of April 16, 2025, Minutes

MOVED BY Secretary Kuhn AND SECONDED BY Director McConnell TO APPROVE THE April 16, 2025 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES AS PRESENTED.

YES: ALL NAYS: NONE ABSENT: 2 MOTION CARRIED

6. **Head of School Report** – Written report provided. The Board reflected that they would like to see year to year as well as fall to spring comparisons on NWEA growth; summary of the interventions and methods for NWEA; and metrics on whole child development from the HOS. It helps if the HOS gives a financial update each month so the Board can assess if the school is financially on track for the year.

Old Business

7. Committees

- a. **Finance** – Met on May 20th and provided written notes. Went over Rev/Expenditure Budget Report.
- b. **Governance** – Met on May 14th and provided written notes.

8. **Expansion Task Force** – Did not meet.

MOTION BY Director McConnell AND Second by Secretary Kuhn TO APPROVE May COMMITTEE NOTES AND April FINANCIALS

YES: ALL NAYS: NONE ABSENT: 2 MOTION CARRIED

New Business

9. Preliminary Budget 2025-2026

10. Approval of Grand Traverse Band 2% Grant Resolution #2-2025

MOTION BY Director McConnell AND Second by Secretary Kuhn TO APPROVE Resolution #2-2025

ROLL CALL: ABBOTT-YES, MCCONNELL – YES, KUHN – YES

AYES:ALL NAYS: NONE ABSENT: 2 MOTION CARRIED

Approval of LMPA Board of Directors Regular Meeting Schedule 2025-26

Resolution #3-2025

MOTION BY Secretary Kuhn AND Second by Director McConnell TO APPROVE

Resolution #3-2025

ROLL CALL: ABBOTT-YES, MCCONNELL – YES, KUHN – YES

AYES:ALL NAYS: NONE ABSENT: 2 MOTION CARRIED

11. Approval of Hallie Kutschke as LMFF Board Member

MOTION BY Director McConnell AND Second by Secretary Kuhn TO APPROVE Director Kutschke as an LMFF Board Member

YES: ALL NAYS: NONE ABSENT: 2 MOTION CARRIED

12. Reappointment of Trustee Hallie Kutschke

MOTION BY Secretary Kuhn AND Second by Director McConnell TO APPROVE Director Kutschke as an LMFF Board Member

YES: ALL NAYS: NONE ABSENT: 2 MOTION CARRIED

13. LMPA 2025-26 Academic Calendar

MOTION BY Secretary Kuhn AND Second by Director McConnell TO APPROVE the 2025-2026 Academic Calendar

YES: ALL NAYS: NONE ABSENT: 2 MOTION CARRIED

14. Board Member Self-Assessment – VP Abbott highlighted Strengths and Areas for Improvement and Board reflected on the areas that they thought could be focused on. Governance will address.

15. Public Comment – Dani Geraci asked if the 10% fund balance is for charter schools or schools across the board? General discussion and explanation. HOS Wilson wanted to stress the urgency of the strategic plan work and hoped this could get on the calendar soon.

16. Board Comment - Secretary Kuhn noted that her Bono impression is because she is still recovering from eye surgery, not trying to be cool.

17. Adjournment

MOVED BY Secretary Kuhn SECONDED BY Director McConnell TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 7:33pm AS PRESENTED.

YES: ALL NAYS: NONE ABSENT: 2 MOTION CARRIED


Debra Kuhn (Jun 19, 2025 15:58 EDT)

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Secretary

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Final Audit Report

2025-06-19

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