

# Macomb Montessori Academy Board of Directors Regular Meeting 14057 East Nine Mile Road Warren, Michigan, 48089

January 27, 2025 6:00 PM

# APPROVED MEETING MINUTES

*Vision:* Macomb Montessori Academy will be a recognized model of Montessori learning and a thriving, diverse community that respects students, inspires teachers, supports families and enhances the community. Enriched through this model, our children will be academically, socially, and emotionally ready to take their place in our world.

*Mission:* Macomb Montessori Academy is a diverse educational community built on the Montessori philosophy that fosters curiosity, creativity, and critical thinking in its students. The Academy will foster an environment that meets students' individual needs to pursue academic excellence, become life-long learners, and responsible global citizens.

This meeting is a meeting of the Board 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 item #3 & #9

### 1. Call to Order

Jennifer Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:17 P.M.

### 2. Roll Call

Board Members	Present	Absent
Susan Bland	X	
Shana Giles	X	
Jennifer Johnson	X	
Emmett Jones	X	
John Marks III		X





### Others Present:

School Leader: Shanina Draughn and Michelle Nightbert, Kristen Crawford (Choice Schools), Garnet Green (LSSU)

3. Public Comments (Limited to Agenda Items only)

None

# 4. Approval of Agenda

It was moved by Member Emmett Jones and supported by Member Shana Giles to approve the agenda as amended adding "7.a.". 4 Ayes, 0 Nays – Motion Approved

# 5. Correspondence

A. LSSU Financial Solvency Report

Dr. Garnet Green presented.

6. Approval of the Regular Meeting Minutes for November 25, 2024

It was moved by Member Shana Giles and supported by Member Emmett Jones to approve the meeting minutes of the November 25, 2024 Regular meeting, as submitted.

4 Ayes, 0 Nays - Motion Approved

### 7. Business Items:

a. Online Check Signing

It was moved by Member Susan Bland and supported by Member Shana Giles to approve signing checks online.

4 Ayes, 0 Nays - Motion Approved



 November 2024 and December 2024 Unaudited Financials – Discussion and Approval

Jennifer Johnson presented.

It was moved by Member Shana Giles and supported by Member Susan Bland to approve the November 2024 and December 2024 Unaudited Financials, as submitted, pending audit.

4 Ayes, 0 Nays - Motion Approved

c. Re-Enrollment/New Enrollment Schedule/Approval of Enrollment Caps & Lottery Procedures (Discussion and Approval)

Shanina Draughn presented.

Moved by Member Jennifer Johnson, supported by Member Shana Giles to approve the enrollment dates. Re-enrollment: 2/13/25 – Open Enrollment: 3/13/25 – Lottery Date & Time: 4/28/25 at 4:00 p.m. 4 Ayes, 0 Nays – Motion Approved

d. Fall 2024 Board Policy Update (Discussion and Approval)

It was moved by Member Shana Giles and supported by Member Emmett Jones to approve the Fall 2024 Board Policy Update. 4 Ayes, 0 Nays – Motion Approved

e. Board Member Reappointment – Emmett Jones Term Expiration: 6/30/25

It was moved by Member Jennifer Johnson supported by Member Shana Giles to Nominate for Reappointment, <u>Emmett Jones</u>, for an additional term on the Macomb Montessori Board of Directors. 4 Ayes, 0 Nays – Motion Approved

f. Audit Firm - Discussion and Approval

Kristen Crawford and Jennifer Johnson presented.

It was moved by Member Jennifer Johnson and supported by Member Susan Bland to approve moving forward with Maner for audit services.

4 Ayes, 0 Nays - Motion Approved



g. Partnership Agreement (Discussion)

Shanina Draughn presented.

h. 6th Grade (Discussion)

Shanina Draughn presented.

i. Employee Engagement Survey (Discussion)

Shanina Draughn presented.

- 8. Leader Reports
  - a. School Leader Report

Shanina Draughn presented.

b. Superintendent Report

Kristen Crawford presented.

9. Extended Public Comment

None

10. Lake Superior State University Comments

Dr. Garnet Green presented.

11. Closed Session (If requested)

None

12. Reconfirmation of the Next Board Meeting Date: Regular Board Meeting, February 24, 2025, at **12:00 PM**. Location: Macomb Montessori Academy

Confirmed





## 13. Adjournment

With all business completed, it was moved by Member Shana Giles and supported by Member Susan Bland to adjourn the meeting at 7:55 P.M. 4 Ayes, 0 Nays – Motion Approved

# Certification by Secretary or Designee

I certify that, to the best of my knowledge, the foregoing minutes of the January 27, 2025 Board Regular Meeting are accurate and correct.

Secretary of the Board

Individuals wishing to address the Board of Directors under item 3 above are requested to sign in with the Board Secretary prior to the start of the meeting. Individual comments are limited to no more than three (3) minutes each and a total time allowance not to exceed thirty (30) minutes. The Board will not verbally respond to public comments but may follow up in the most appropriate and time-effective manner.

Complaints or concerns regarding Board members or school employees associated with the Academy shall first be addressed in writing and delivered to the Board President at least five (5) days prior to the Board meeting or such complaints or concerns shall not be heard by the Board. The Board will not verbally respond to public comments but may follow up in the most appropriate and time-effective manner.

Proposed minutes of this meeting will be available for public inspection at the Macomb Montessori Academy Office of the Administration, located at 14057 East Nine Mile Road, Warren, MI 49089, eight (8) business days after the meeting. Approved minutes are available within five (5) business days after the meeting at which they are approved (in accordance with the Open Meetings Act, Public Act 267.)