



GOVERNING BOARD MEETING AGENDA
DIXON MONTESSORI CHARTER SCHOOL
355 N. ALMOND ST. DIXON, CA 95620, ROOM 6

September 22, 2015, 6:30PM REGULAR MEETING

A Passion for Excellence

Mission

The mission of Dixon Montessori Charter School (DMCS) is to achieve academic excellence for all students by blending Montessori education with California State Standards. DMCS supports its mission through low teacher-to-student ratios, family participation, multi-aged classrooms, a diverse curriculum and individualized learning for each student. DMCS is a tuition-free public school committed to developing socially responsible, life-long learners.

Vision

- Our vision is to create a community of lifelong learners.
- Our vision is to create a school that focuses on critical thinking, problem solving, innovative solutions and collaboration.
- Our vision is to create a school that is highly regarded for its academic excellence and for its contributions to the community in which it operates.
- Our vision is to provide a well-rounded education for our students focusing on academics as well as character development, social justice and tolerance.
- Our vision is that our students will be prepared for a positive transition to high school and college and will easily adapt to the community and the world around them.
- Our vision is that as a school community we will support every child in each of their individual learning styles

Values

Collaboration Integrity Sustainability Enthusiasm Innovative

Full Board Agenda

- A. Call to Order – 6:30 PM
- B. Adjourn to Closed Session
 - B1. Public Employee Evaluation
 - i. Title: Director
- C. Adjourn to Open Session
 - C1. Announcements from Closed Session
 - C2. Pledge of Allegiance
 - C3. Roll call
- D. Approval of Agenda
- E. Public Comments: *The public may address the DMCS Governing Board regarding any item within the board's jurisdiction whether or not that item appears on the agenda. In all cases the*



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presiding officer reserves the right to impose time limits on presentations as may be necessary to ensure the agenda is completed. The Board will listen to any comments but is not permitted to respond other than to ask clarifying questions.

- F. Consent Agenda: *Items on the consent agenda are considered to be routine and are enacted by the Board in one motion. Discussion only occurs if members of the Board, staff, or public request specific items be discussed or removed and placed under action items for the current or a future Board meeting.*
 - F1. Warrant report for August, 2015
 - F2. Meeting minutes for June 23, 2015 regular meeting
 - F3. Meeting minutes for July 22, 2015 workshop
 - F4. Meeting minutes for August 25, 2015 regular meeting
- G. Communications
 - G1. Board Member Nominations – *individuals interested in serving on the Board may present a brief statement of interest.*
 - G2. Five Minute Reports – *Representative reports and updates*
 - i. Student body report – *This is a report from a representative of the student body organization.* **[Student Representative]**
 - ii. PTO report **[PTO Chair]**
 - iii. Special Education report **[Amy Valenzuela]**
 - iv. Staff report - *Board and staff discuss items of mutual interest.* **[Melissa Moore]**
 - v. Middle school report **[April Kemp]**
 - vi. Technology report **[Krista Purdom]**
 - vii. Director’s report – *This is a presentation of information and activities which have occurred since the previous Board meeting.* **[Joanne Green]**
- H. Board Reports – *Board members report on activities taken by committees in which they participate.*
 - H1. Finance committee **[5 Minutes – Joanne Green]**
 - i. Monthly budget update
 - ii. Financial report overview **[20 minutes – DMS]**
 - H2. Charter advisory committee **[5 Minutes - Dean Crechriou]**
- I. The Board will discuss and/or take action on the following items:
 - I1. Health Benefit Contract – *The Board will review health benefit contract options, and take action to adopt a contract for the 2015-2016 open enrollment period.*
DISCUSSION/ACTION **[20 Minutes – Joanne Green / Dennis Carlson]**
 - I2. Strategic Planning – *The Board will review short term goals as defined by the Administration.* DISCUSSION **[10 Minutes – Joanne Green]**



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- I3. Action Item / Master Calendar Review – *The Board will review status of outstanding action items from previous meetings and Master Calendar items.*
DISCUSSION/ACTION. **[15 Minutes – Dennis Ballance]**
- I4. Student Achievement – *The Board will discuss and take action on issues related to improving student achievement.* DISCUSSION/ACTION. **[20 Minutes – Board]**
- J. Meeting evaluation – *The Board will conduct a self-evaluation on meeting and materials effectiveness in order to improve future meetings.*
- K. The next regular meeting of the DMCS Governing Board will be held on October 27, 2015.
- L. Adjournment