



BOARD MEETING MINUTES
August 15, 2018

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APPROVED

Meeting was held in the Multi-Purpose Room

Pursuant to the NY State Public Meetings Law the public notice of meeting was provided in the following manner thus meeting the law's requirement of media and public notice.

- MVP Website
- Media Advisory sent to the Times Newsweekly

I. **Call to Order:** Josephine Lume, Chair called the meeting to order at 6:11 p.m.

II. **Ms. Lume conducted a roll call**

Board Members in Attendance:

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Chair, Josephine Lume | <input type="checkbox"/> Trustee, Maureen Campbell |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Vice Chair, Serphin R. Maltese | <input type="checkbox"/> Trustee, Kaiko Hayes |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Secretary, Rosemary DeGennaro | <input type="checkbox"/> Trustee, Deborah Kueber |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Treasurer, Margaret Ognibene | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Trustee, Monica Konopka |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Founder, Michael Michel | <input type="checkbox"/> Parent Rep, Pamela Cortes |

Also present was: **Principal**, Nancy Velez, **Director of Curriculum**, Michele Allocca

There was not a quorum.

Principal report

School Opening

MVP administration has been coordinating and planning to ensure that we are off to a great start next week, and as we move forward this year. Teachers will return next Monday. As a way of welcoming them back to school, hot breakfast will be served. Professional Development activities have been

planned for Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. Classrooms are ready and the hallway boards have been decorated in anticipation for our students return. We will have a total of 412 students enrolled in MVP. Thursday our incoming 6th students and parents will be attending Boot Camp, and on Friday all students return.

The updating of the Computer Lab

Including furniture and tablets- is work in progress but should be finalized by the end of the week.

The Fab Lab Makerspace Stations, which will be located in the CTK building but will be used by MVP staff, includes several different Technology programs that our students will be able to explore within the design process, namely: 3D Printers, Augmented Reality, Drones, Robotics, Laser Cutting, and Electronics. The anticipated date for the room to be available for its use is mid-October. Training to staff will be provided by the company.

The Chrome tablets were purchased and arrived to MVP last week. They are being set up/prepared. Teachers will receive training on its use next week. These tablets are intended for 7th and 8th grade students. We have retained a number of the older models and will use them to expose our sixth graders to basic use of the tablets, including key boarding.

Staffing Updates

Two teachers left MVP at the end of June due to incomplete State Certification requirements.

In mid and late July, three teachers (ELA, Math 6th and 7th, respectively) transitioned. They accepted positions in Long Island and NYC, DOE.

These teachers have been replaced.

We are still conducting interviews for a 7th grade Science and an ICT teacher. Offers have been made but teachers decline them often due to commuting issues or salary.

Student Hold Overs

Grade 8 had none – grade seven had one and grade six had 5 students.

The meeting adjourned by common consent @ 6:42 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Veronica Cokley