

Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting for North Star Montessori Academy. Held in the North Star Montessori Academy Cafeteria on February 25th, 2026 at 4:15pm

Members Present: Melissa Bowers, Roger Zappa, Jessica Pfitzer, Derek Pugh

Members Absent: Marguerite Guter

Others Present: Angela Chang, Taylor Gaudreau, Betty LaPointe, and Frank Patterson

1. The meeting was called to order by President Melissa Bowers at 4:16pm
2. A quorum of the board was established.
3. There were no amendments needed to the agenda.
4. Motion by Roger Zappa to approve the proposed Consent Agenda, supported by Jessica Pfitzer. Motion passed 4-0.
5. Public comment: None

Consent Agenda

6. Financial Officer Frank Patterson gave a quick update on the financial documents that were included in the board packet.
7. Motion by Jessica Pfitzer to approve the proposed Consent Agenda, supported by Roger Zappa. Motion passed 4-0.

Action Items

8. Approval of Board Self Evaluation Tool
 - a. **Board Member Comments:** A discussion was held regarding the format of the Board Self Evaluation Tool.
9. Motion by Jessica Pfitzer to approve the Board Self Evaluation Tool, supported by Derek Pugh. Motion passed 4-0.

Reports/ Discussions

10. Teachers First Report:
 - a. Michelle Kyles from Teachers First was unable to attend the meeting. Chief Financial Officer Frank Patterson reviewed the Teachers First report that had been sent to the board earlier in the week. Frank informed the board that mid-year evaluations were currently taking place with the administrative team. He also reviewed the positions the academy has been hiring for and those that are still open. Frank provided the board with an update on current grants and where the academy stands with them.
11. Principal Report:
 - a. Principal Angela Chang provided an update on the open lower elementary position, which has now been filled by a new academy hire. Angela also informed the board about a new bus driver who will be joining the academy in the coming weeks. She reviewed the Annual Education Report that was released earlier this month. The

board was also given an update on the Classroom Celebrations that took place earlier in the week. Angela discussed upcoming events and activities planned for the month of March at the school. She also reviewed several committees that North Star hopes to establish in the coming months. Lastly, Angela shared information about a grant opportunity from NMU and how the funds will be used by the academy.

12. NMU Chart Schools Office Report:

- a. Betty LaPointe from NMU reviewed with the board how the evaluation will be conducted at the conference in April.

13. Next regularly scheduled meeting is Wednesday, March 25th, 2026 at 4:15 pm

14. Public Comment: None

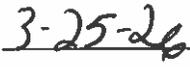
15. Board Member Comment: Jessica Pfitzer provided updates from MAPSSA. Roger Zappa shared information about the Breakfast with Legislators event that he attended.

16. Motion by Jessica Pfitzer to adjourn, supported by Derek Pugh. Motion passed 4-0.

17. Meeting adjourned at 5:33 pm.



Melissa Bowers, NSMA Board Secretary



Date Approved