## **Minutes of Special Meeting**

## The Board of Trustees Horizon Montessori Public Schools

A Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Horizon Montessori Public Schools was held Tuesday, November 13, 2018, beginning at 6:30 PM in the 2402 E Business 83, Weslaco, Texas.

- 1. Call to Order: at 6:40pm
- 2. Moment of Silence
- 3. Public Comments:
- 4. Superintendent's Report: We filed a bilingual exception report, currently we have 494 students who are left, and 184 of those students are under the exception with 41 students which means that they are not certified bilingual. Because we report as an elementary we have to include PK- 6<sup>th</sup> grade. This year was the first year that if we file an extension you have to keep 10% of the allowable funds, and if we file a waiver we have to hold back 20%. We put 4 teachers on an emergency waiver, that cost \$228 so that the only allowable funds that we had to hold for our professional development were \$19,000 we saved \$20,000. With our Professional development we visit 4 to 6 classroom a day, all three campuses every week. We give teachers and principal's feedback, we took some teachers from HM1 to HM3 so that they could see different expectations of the Montessori setting at HM3, they came back with really great ideas, and ready to remap for a second semester.

We had benchmarks, we did it as a district every six weeks, there are only 13-20 questions reading and math that's what we're starting with; assessments were district made based on what the TEKS should be covered the data we will have on Friday. We had a discussion with IT of going from Go Daddy to Google, we are thinking of doing the change since we would be saving some money.

SPED we have been meeting with the director so that the teachers have more support with Special Ed, and we are requesting weekly principal's reports as well.

- 5. Action Items:
  - A. 2018-2019 Governance Report.
  - B. Discuss and take appropriate action to approve purchase of four vans through Regions Bank. A motion was made by Mr. Summers and seconded by Dr. Hassan to approve purchase of four vans through Regions Bank. Motion was passed unanimously.
- 6. Executive Session:
- 7. Action, If Necessary on the Items Discussed in Closed Meeting
- 8. Adjournment: at 7:06pm a motion was made by Mr. Summers and seconded by Dr. Hassan to adjourn meeting. Motion was passed unanimously.