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Urban Montessori Charter School Board Retreat

4/19/2015
1pm – 5pm

NOTE: As with all board meetings, this meeting will be agendaized and posted according to Brown Act dictates.

Outcomes

1. Compile important moments in UMCS' history and get to know one another.
 - a. What ideas and people were key influences on UMCS' founding?
 - b. What important events have taken place to explain where UMCS' has arrived today?
 - c. What motivates us as advocates for equity and Montessori education?
2. Provide clarity on the Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP) process.
 - a. What is the LCAP process?
 - b. What role do we play in revising UMCS' 14/15 LCAP?
 - c. How can we as board members participate in revision?
3. Provide clarity on the 15/16 budget planning process.
 - a. How does the LCAP influence the budget?
 - b. What information should we consider when making big decisions about the budget?
4. Determine spring/summer strategy for committees.
 - a. What role do committees play in supporting LCAP and budgetary processes?
 - b. How can committees support UMCS' development in other ways?
5. Discuss both short and long-term fundraising work.
 - a. What actions need the attention of the board between now and end-of-year?
 - b. What might an extended (3-year) timeline for fundraising look like?

Agenda

| Time | Activity | Materials |
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| 15mins | Opening and Framing | |
| 50mins | The Story of Us and UMCS: Board member motivations and UMCS timeline: We'll take some time to both share our motivations for joining the UMCS community and explore our school's 3+ year history. | 1. Timeline activity |
| 90mins | Planning for LCAP Revision and 15/16 Budget: The biggest chunk of our time will focus on getting acquainted with this year's process for revising our 14/15 LCAP, as well as the budgetary approval process that operates in sync with the LCAP. | 1. 14/15 Approved UMCS LCAP 2. 14/15 UMCS Budget |
| 10mins | Break! | |
| 45mins | 14/15 Fundraising and Beyond: During this portion, we'll discuss and set strategy for fundraising actions to complete this year and look ahead to what an extended fundraising timeline might look like. | 1. Fundraising breakdown |
| 45mins | Committee Planning: And finally, we'll spend time in committees to get clear on each group's purpose, meeting structure, role within the UMCS community. | 1. Committee guidelines |
| 10mins | Wrap-up and Next Steps | |