

# Three Tree Montessori School Board of Trustees

Meeting Minutes: Tuesday, March 17th, 2026

A monthly meeting of the **TTMS Board of Trustees** was held on **March 17th, 2026** at Three Tree Montessori School. It began at **6:30 pm** and was presided over by Board Chair, Jeremy Valdes.

Call to order and Consent to agenda: Motion to approve the meeting's agenda: Moved by Jeremy. The motion carried with all in favor.

## Attendees

Trustees in attendance: Jill Big Eagle (Treasurer), Diana Ching, Sam Denton (Development Chair), Jacque Elder, Chynna Jeremiah (Vice Chair), Brittany Parker, Anna Pierce, and Jeremy Valdes (Chair)

Others in attendance: Nicole Cook (HOS), Elizabeth Stanaway, Morgan Walker, Lynda Harrington.

Trustees not in attendance: Ed Acee, Maria Garvey

## Officer's reports

TTMS - Equity Group Report by Elizabeth, Morgan and Lynda

Equity audit was conducted amongst the TTMS staff and used as a means to create a process to develop their Equity Group curriculum. Currently 7 members in the group and Board involvement was requested.

Executive Report was presented by Jeremy Valdes

Monthly Executive Report

Resignation by Sophia Fischer, Secretary

Head of School Report was presented by Nicole Cook

SP Update and Task Force Committees:

Tuition

Fundraising

Post Board Fundraising responsibility:

We lead first: As a board, our participation sets the tone, 100% engagement strengthens our credibility and makes it easier to ask others to give.

This creates stability, not pressure: A “give or get” amount establishes a reliable funding baseline, ensuring we can confidently execute key priorities like the spring fundraiser.

It directly impacts students: Board giving isn’t symbolic, it enables real investments in programs, staff, and the overall student experience

Setting a precedent for board members to contribute to the school

Upper EI Task Force

Unable to proceed till we are able to fulfill the capacity of an upper ei and lower classroom.

Mission, Values & Vision

Back end work enabled more discussion and feedback

NWAIS Accreditation - Application submitted and currently in the midst of auditing financials.

Finance Report was presented by Jill Big Eagle

## **Other reports**

Bylaws Update presented by Chynna Jeremiah. Draft to be reviewed at the April Board meeting.

## **Main motions**

Motion to appoint Jacquelyn Elder as Secretary

Second by Chynna and unanimous vote for yes.

## **Announcements**

## **Adjournment**

Jeremy Valdes moved the meeting to be adjourned, and this was agreed upon at 8:13 pm.

Date of approval 4/21/2026