



Board Meeting Minutes
 Eagle Landing Club House, Bend, OR
 January 18th, 2016

I.	Call to Order	18:03 by Shelly Phillips	
II.	Attending	Bobbie Bolton Shelly Phillips Kelley Benson Pascaline Ocana Sarah Cox	Alexis Lukoff Rose Archer Julia Sutter Toni Grinder Jeff Menzel
	Absent	Aaron Kitchell Tim Pieters	
	Also Present	Bill Schertzinger Chris Matthies Melissa Lutz	
III.	Actions 2016.01.18.01	A. Vote Kelley made a motion to withdraw charter application from Bend and concentrate our efforts in Redmond. Toni seconded the motion. Vote: Approval: Bobbie, Shelly, Kelley, Sarah, Alexis, Julia, Toni, Jeff Rejection: Rose, Pascaline	
IV.	Business	A. Discuss meeting with Shay Mikalson. Shelly summarize discussion with Shay Mikalson and his concerns remain on numbers but also on grades we would be serving. He recommend we open with 140-150 students, grades K to 2 or 3. Shelly summarize Lora Nordquist’s concerns regarding our handling Sp.Ed. and Montessori alignment of curriculum for upper grades.	
		B. Discuss a strategy to address Bend-La Pine School District’s vote. All board members give their point of view. Shelly: surrender to 140 kids, K-3 and DSM will use district’s Sp.Ed. Bobbie: Withdraw and reapply in Bend to open in 2017, Keep pushing in Redmond. Julia: Withdraw and reapply in Bend to open in 2017, Keep pushing in Redmond. Could be swayed to appeal. Toni: Withdraw in Bend. Sarah: doesn’t know. Withdrawal and reapply seems most feasible. Rose: Appeal to state. Kelley: Appeal to state but need to choose one district and focus our full force on one district. Alexis: Withdraw. Jeff: Withdraw.	
		Comments from Chris: Better chances to succeed in Redmond. Melissa suggests we withdraw and continue in Redmond. Bill suggests we diversify our board, because now only composed of female	

		in our 30's, 40's. He suggests we get the community talking with editorials and news media coverage. He suggests we contact people with "pull or power" in community (including RPA board, mayor, big business owners).
V.	Announcements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A. Science Fair With Children's Museum Jan 23rd 10am-4pm. B. Bend-La Pine School District, Vote on charter application, January 26th 2016 - District Office, Bend, 6 PM. C. Redmond School District, Vote to deem charter complete, January 27th 2016 - District Office, Redmond, 6 PM. D. Board meeting, February 4th, 2016 - Eagle Landing Club House, Bend, 6:00-8:00 PM - Shelly will provide snacks. E. Winter Fest, February 12th-14th, 2016 - Bend.
VI.	Adjourned	Time: 19:57 by Shelly

Certification of Secretary

I hereby certify that these are a true and correct copy of the minutes that were adopted by the Board of Directors of Desert Sky Montessori on [date when minutes are approved].

