



**2022-2023 MCC Governing Board
Special Called Meeting
December 14, 2022 6:20 p.m.**

MINUTES

- Board Members present:** *in-person:* Barbara Zamora-Appel - Chair; Lisa Mariam; Rasheq Rahman; Melanie Sletten; Sarah Tran; Charlotte Loving; Ari Ghasemian; Bill Glikbarg; Anna Bartosiewicz *virtual:* Kristina Groennings
- Board Members absent:** Shivani Saboo
- MCC Staff present:** Evan Braff, Acting Executive Director; Sarah Schallern Treff; Catherine Nesbitt; Ashok Karra; Danielle Van Hook; Joe McGovern; Holly Novak; Jennifer Garrett; Anne McAfee; Elizabeth Katz
- Guests:** Merrily Pierce; Betsy May-Salazar; Paul Kohlenberger; Suha Rahman; Pouneh E. Ghasemian

CONVENE MEETING

The Governing Board Chair convened a Special Called Meeting of the Governing Board of the McLean Community Center on December 14, 2022, at 6:23 p.m. This meeting was open to the public attending in-person. A courtesy announcement was made about the meeting being audio-recorded.

ADOPT AGENDA No changes to the agenda were requested; it was adopted by acclamation.

DISCUSSION OF NEW EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR **remarks by the Governing Board Chair*

After several months of planning and many interviews with lots of people, tonight we nominate Betsy May-Salazar as the new Executive Director of the McLean Community Center. The floor was opened for discussion - no questions or points of discussion were raised. The Governing Board Chair then proceeded to state the following MOTION:

MOTION: To nominate Betsy May-Salazar as the Executive Director of the McLean Community Center.

Approved by a vote of 10:

Barbara Zamora-Appel; Lisa Mariam; Rasheq Rahman; Melanie Sletten; Sarah Tran; Bill Glikbarg; Charlotte Loving; Ari Ghasemian; Kristina Groennings; Anna Bartosiewicz – all voting “AYE.”
Shivani Saboo was absent.

Governing Board Chair Zamora-Appel officially welcomed Betsy May-Salazar as the new Executive Director of the McLean Community Center! *(applause)*

Brief remarks by Betsy May-Salazar: Thank you, thank you. It’s a pleasure. I’m very excited to join the staff. I’ve been anxiously awaiting this meeting to take place. Just super quickly: I have a long-time career in arts and arts management, most recently at National Building Museum. I am a 20+ year resident of McLean. I’ve raised my children here. I’ve had my family here, so it’s an appropriate combination for me to come back and work on community engagement here. I look forward to working with all of you! Thank you. *(applause)*

PUBLIC COMMENT

Paul Kohlenberger: I want to thank Evan Braff for your excellent work. I think this will be your last board meeting! So, thank you for excellent work. And as well, to Betsy – best wishes to you. Thank you all.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Zamora-Appel thanked Evan Braff for the work he has put in over 120 days. He is not going away completely; he will remain around as needed in this transition time. There are many priorities from the board to be discussed at the next board meeting. Hearing no other requests for public comments and with no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted – Holly Novak, Executive Assistant