

Twin Cities International Elementary School

School Board Meeting

Minutes of the School Board Meeting held on Saturday, February 20, 2015 at 10:30am, at the International Education Center, 277 12th Ave. N, Room #120, Minneapolis, MN, 55401

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chair Ms. Marian Aden, Treasurer Mr. Faysal Ali, Community Representative Member Mr. Abdisamad Ibrahim, Teacher Representative Member Wesam Shaker, Teacher Representative Ms. Jean Zivkovich and Community Representative Member Abdirizak Hassan.

ABSENT: Teacher Representative Member Ibrahim Aden.

EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS PRESENT: Ex-Officio Member Mr. Abdirashid Warsame.

ALSO PRESENT: Ms. Patti Kronk, Mr. Abdulkadir Salah, Ms. Kelli Smith Mr. Daniel Olson.

1.0 Welcome and Member Contact Detail Confirmation

Chair opened the meeting at 10:30am. The Chair acknowledged a quorum was present, and thanked them for attending the meeting.

2.0 Open Agenda

Chair acknowledged the Open Meeting, no public questions or comments were posed to the Board.

3.0 Approve Agenda

Mr. Faysal motioned for the Agenda to be approved. The motion was seconded, and the motion carried.

3.1 Chair closed Board Meeting at 10:40am. Chair re-opened Board Meeting at 10:50am.

4.0 Minutes from the Previous Meetings

4.1 Minutes of December 12, 2016

Ms. Jean motioned for the Board Meeting Minutes of December 12, 2015 be approved. The motion was seconded, and the motion carried.

4.2 Minutes of January 14, 2016

Ms. Jean motioned for the Board Meeting Minutes of January 14, 2016 be approved. The motion was seconded, and the motion carried.

5.0 Business Arising from the Minutes of January 14, 2016

All business arising from the previous board meeting are included in the agenda.

5.1 Strategic Plan.

Ms. Kelli asked the Board Members what area of interest in the following Strategic Focus Areas they would like to be directly involved with:

1. Community/Parent Involvement
2. Academic Achievement
3. Program Development or Teaching & Learning

4. Human Relations
5. Finance and Facilities
6. Technology

Vision Statements will be created to represent each of the above Strategic Focus Areas. Human Relations and Parent Involvement/Community Vision Statement was decided on. Ms. Kelli will compile information, and continue to discuss and approve two Vision Statements per Board Meeting.

6.0 Treasurer's Report

6.1 July, 2015-January, 2016

The Chair welcomed Mr. Abdulkadir to present the Treasurer's Report. Mr. Abdulkadir reviewed each line item in detail, further noted the benchmark of 58%. Total Revenue received was \$7,589,051 while tracking at 48%. Revenue received is 10% below projection. The year- to-date Expenditures are \$7,589,051 while tracking at 56%, which is 2% below projected amount. Mr. Abdulkadir noted that the Fund Balance is 32%. Budget based on 590 ADM (Actual ADM 597).

Mr. Abdirizak motioned that the Treasurers Report July, 2015-January, 2016 be approved. The motion was seconded, and the motion carried.

7.0 Authorizer's Report

Item tabled.

8.0 Director's Report

Mr. Adirashid Reported:

1. ADM 599 as of next Monday.
2. Parent Teacher conferences were held on Thursday, Feb. 11, 2016. Final counts for turnout will be done sometime in the next week with teachers following up on any non-attended families.
3. We have been busy with the ACCESS for ELs test this month with Listening, Reading and Writing components completed. Speaking is next and will be done online this year so only 5 students or so can test at a time in each lab. This will take us approx. 3 weeks to complete at that rate.
4. Parents received information regarding their child's health screening and immunization status during conferences if necessary. Parents also received data on the Winter MAP testing scores for reading and math.
5. Winter MAP Data -- % on or above grade level for Reading: 49.7%
% on or above grade level for Math: 49.8%

Last year at this time for MAP Growth targets in Reading, 44.8% of students had met their growth target as compared to 61.8% of students meeting their growth target this year! In math, last year 43% of students had met their growth targets as compared to 57.6% of students meeting their growth target this year!

6. We met with Mr. Larry McKenzie and Ms. Lexi Pahl from PUC on Feb. 10, 2016 to review our progress toward meeting our contract goals for this year.
7. We had our first "Snow Day" of the year on Wed. Feb. 3, 2016. This will not impact our calendar in any way.

8. For “I Love to Read” month we are having a “Reading Safari” throughout the building. Students get caught being a “Reading Explorer” and turn in slips to the office. Each Friday we draw names from the slips for students to come down and get a book prize and take a picture in our “Safari Jungle.” Each Classroom has selected a safari animal and we will be going on a whole school safari at our closing assembly on Monday, Feb. 29th at 1:30 pm. Even Mr. Larry from PUC has his picture on our Reading Safari wall!
9. Saturday school is averaging about 75 students per Saturday and the after school program has started up again with academic classes, homework time, snack, and club activities such as Sports, Weaving, Drama, and Games.

Mr. Abdirizak motioned that the Director’s Report be approved. The motion seconded, and the motion carried.

9.0 Other Reports and Action Items

9.1 Policy Readings for the Month of February 2016

- 9.1.1. 406B Employee Administrative Record Retention**
- 9.1.2. 521 Student Disability Nondiscrimination**
- 9.1.3. 522 Student Sex Nondiscrimination**
- 9.1.4. 691 Inclusive Education Plan**
- 9.1.5. 501 Weapons**
- 9.1.6. 506 Discipline**
- 9.1.7. 514 Bullying Prohibition**
- 9.1.8. 703 Fund Balance**
- 9.1.9. 524 Internet Acceptable use**
- 9.1.10. 531 Pledge of Allegiance**
- 9.1.11. 533 Wellness**

Mr. Faysal motioned that policies 406B, 521, 522, 691, 501, 506, 514 and 703 be approved as Final Readings. The motion seconded, and the motion carried.

Ms. Jean motioned that policies 524, 531, and 533 be approved as First Readings. The motion seconded, and the motion carried.

9.2 Update on Contract Goals

Contract goals were shared in the Director’s Report.

10.0 Adjournment

There being no further business, Mr. Abdirizak motioned that the meeting adjourn, noting the time at 12:02pm. The motion carried. The next scheduled meeting will be Saturday, March 12, 2016 at 10:30am.