

**Twin Cities International Elementary School
School Board Meeting**

Minutes of the School Board Meeting held on Saturday, April 9, 2016 at 10:30am, at the International Education Center, 277 12th Ave. N, Room #126, Minneapolis, MN, 55401

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

ABSENT: Teacher Representative Ibrahim Aden and Teacher Representative Wesam Shaker

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

ALSO PRESENT: Ms. Ellie Langlas, Ms. Kelli Smith, and Mr. Mohamed Egeh

1.0 Welcome

Chair opened the meeting at 10:33am. The Chair acknowledged a quorum was present, and thanked them for attending the meeting.

2.0 Open Agenda

Chair acknowledged the Open Meeting.

3.0 Approve Agenda

Ms. Kelli asked to add Business Arising from the Minutes of March 12, 2016 to the agenda. Chair acknowledged the topic and Business Arising from the Minutes of March 12, 2016 was added as 6.3. Mr. Faysal motioned for the Agenda to be approved. The motion was seconded, and the motion carried.

4.0 Minutes from the Previous Meeting of March 12, 2016

Mr. Abdirizak motioned for the Board Meeting Minutes of March 12, 2016 to be approved. The motion was seconded, and the motion carried.

5.0 Treasurer's Report

5.1 July 2015-March 2016 YTD Report

Mr. Mohamed Egeh presented the July 2015-March 2016 YTD report.

Mr. Abdirizak motioned for the July 2015-March 2016 YTD report to be approved. The motion was seconded, and the motion carried.

5.2 Preliminary 2016-2017 Budget and Projected Enrollment

Mr. Mohamed Egeh presented two options for the 2016-2017 budget. Both options were based on 590 ADM and a 27% fund balance, with no major revenue changes. The options presented:

1. No salary increase
2. 1% salary increase for COLA

The Board reviewed the two options and discussed the future financial outlook to remain well above balance. Board Members asked administration to look at effectiveness of current programming to ensure each is a necessary use of the budget. Administration agreed to discuss current programs and services to sustain or increase budget.

Mr. Abdirizak motioned for the Preliminary 2016-2017 Budget with a 1% salary increase for COLA to be approved. The motion was seconded, and the motion carried.

6.0 New Business

6.1 Authorizer's Report

Item Tabled

6.2 Director's Report

Mr. Abdirashid Reported:

1. ADM 591 as of Friday.
2. We held our second round of Strategic Planning Stakeholder group meetings for Technology and Teaching & Learning. The staff generated lots of ideas and discussed many initiatives that we currently have in place. We will be holding the parents meeting on Saturday April 16, 2016 at 10:00am where we will discuss three of the six focus areas.
3. We are gearing up for MCA testing: MIMS will start on Monday and TIES will test Wednesday through Friday April 20-22, and 27-29. Letters will be going home to parents on Monday about the testing schedule.
4. Our After School Program, Homework Tutoring, and Saturday School will all end this week prior to testing.

Mr. Abdirizak motioned for the Director's Report to be approved. The motion was seconded, and the motion carried.

6.3 Business Arising from the Minutes of March 12, 2016

Ms. Kelli presented information regarding the vision statement for Finance & Facilities and Academic Achievement.

The Board Members agreed on the Finance & Facilities statement:

To ensure a positive learning environment with appropriate facilities to support students learning and high quality teaching. TIES Board will support positive initiatives of this Strategic Plan through its yearly budgeting process.

The Board Members agreed on the Academic Achievement statement:

To increase academic achievement proficiency and growth for all students whereby Kindergartners are ready for school, 3rd graders read at grade level and all students are exposed to college and career readiness standards through a rigorous learning environment.

Mr. Faysal motioned for the Finance & Facilities and Academic Achievement vision statements to be approved. The motion was seconded, and the motion carried.

7.0 Other Reports, Discussions and Action Items

7.1 Policy Readings for the Month of April, 2016

7.1.1 532 Use of Peace Officers and Crisis Teams

7.1.2 603 Curriculum Development

Mr. Abdirizak motioned for policies 532 and 603 to be approved for final readings. The motion was seconded, and the motion carried.

7.2 Annual General Meeting Election Candidates

Chair informed the Board there are two teacher candidates, one community member candidate, and one parent candidate for the 2016 Board of Directors Election on May 14, 2016.

Mr. Abdirizak motioned for the candidates for the 2016 Board of Directors Election to be approved. The motion was seconded, and the motion carried.

7.3 2016-2017 District Calendar Approval

Ms. Kelli presented the 2016-2017 District Calendar. Ms. Kelli noted that if the Eid holiday falls on a weekday, administration will need the board's approval for an additional day off in recognition of the holiday.

Mr. Abdirizak motioned for the 2016-2017 District Calendar to be approved. The motion was seconded, and the motion carried.

8.0 Old Business

There is no old business at this time.

9.0 Adjournment

Ms. Jean motioned for the meeting to adjourn, noting the time at 11:40am. The motion was seconded, and the motion carried.

The next meeting will be: May 14, 2016 at 1:30pm (Board Elections 10:00am Lower Level Gymnasium).