

Twin Cities International Elementary School

School Board Meeting

Minutes of the School Board Meeting held on Saturday, December 12, 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 and Teacher Representative Member Ibrahim Aden.

ABSENT: Community Representative Member Abdirizak Hassan.

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

ALSO PRESENT: Ms. Patti Kronk, Mr. Mohamed Egeh.

1.0 Welcome and Member Contact Detail Confirmation

Chair opened the meeting at 10:35am. 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.

4.0 Minutes from the Previous Meetings

4.1 Minutes of November 14, 2015

Mr. Ibrahim motioned for the Board Meeting Minutes of November 14, 2015 be approved. The motion was seconded, and the motion carried.

5.0 Funds for Minnesota Desegregation Lawsuit

Mr. Abdirashid talked about the recent Lawsuit pertaining to desegregation. Further requesting that the Board approved the use of \$5,000.00 from the budget to assist with representation and research against the filed lawsuit.

The Chair motioned that the Board approve the utilization of \$5,000.00 to assist with representation and research against the filed lawsuit. The motion was seconded, and the motion carried. The vote by roll call went as follows:

Mr. Faysal – Aye
Mr. Abdisamad – Aye
Mr. Ibrahim – Aye
Ms. Wesam - Aye

The ayes were unanimous.

6.0 July 2014-June 2015 Financial Audit Report (Distributed)

Mr. Dennis Hoogeveen, CPA/CliftonLarsonAllen presented the July 2014-June 2015 Financial Audit Report. Mr. Dennis suggested all members read pages 2-4 for a summarized report, stating TIES has been given an “unmodified/clean report”. Further suggesting reading pages 5-14 for a good overview. He reviewed page 15 – Statement of Net Position with Summarized Financial Information; reviewing Assets, Deferred outflows of Resources, Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources and Net Position. The Financial Audit Report was submitted to MDE by the due date of November 30, 2015. A Single Audit was required due to the fact total Federal Awards exceeded \$500,000. For the 2016-2017 year, this will increase to \$750,000.

7.0 Business Arising from the Minutes of November 14, 2015.

7.1 Voluntary Termination of the Charter School Authorizer Contract between Concordia University and Twin Cities International Elementary School.

The letter from Concordia University was reviewed and discussed.

Mr. Faysal motioned for the Voluntary Termination of the Charter School Authorizer Contract between Concordia University and Twin Cities International Elementary School be approved. The motion was seconded, and the motion carried.

7.2 Assurance of Compliance Certificate

Mr. Faysal discussed the procedure for annual Assurance of Compliance Certificates. This information has been completed for the 2015-2016 year.

Mr. Ibrahim motioned that the Assurance of Compliance Certificate be approved. The motion was seconded, and the motion carried.

7.3 Nomination of Teacher Board Member Representative.

Ms. Jean Zivkovich was nominated to fill an open Teacher Board Member Representative position.

Mr. Faysal motioned that Ms. Jean Zivkovich be approved to fill the open Teacher Board Member Representative position. The motion was seconded, and the motion carried.

8.0 Treasurer’s Report

8.1 July, 2015-November, 2015

The Chair welcomed Mr. Abdulkadir to present the Treasurer’s Report. Mr. Abdulkadir reviewed each line item in detail, further noted the benchmark of 42% for projected revenue and expenditure. Total Revenue received was \$7,517,179 while tracking at 33%. Revenue received is 9% below projection. The year- to-date Expenditures are \$7,589,051 while tracking at 39%, which is 3% below projected amount. Mr. Abdulkadir noted that the Fund Balance is 32%. Budget based on 590 ADM (Actual ADM 597).

Mr. Faysal motioned that the Treasurers Report July, 2015-November, 2015 be approved. The motion was seconded, and the motion carried.

9.0 Authorizer’s Report

Item tabled.

10.0 Director's Report

Mr. Adirashid Reported:

1. ADM 598
2. Tri I is finished. Report cards were sent home on Friday, Dec. 4th, 2015.
3. 4th Gr, Arabic Teachers, Media and Gifted & Talented Teachers received training on the Chromebooks and will begin working with the 1:1 initiative in their classrooms.
4. 3rd Gr. students took the OLPA tests this past week to familiarize themselves with the format of the MCA reading and math tests. The scores will not be shared with parents but used within the school to look for areas of focus between now and April when students take the MCAs. These tests are not predictors of student success on the MCA.
5. Our first Star Scholar assembly will be on Fri. Dec. 18, 2015.
6. Mr. Abdirashid will be traveling out of the country until Jan. 15th, 2016. Mr. Ali Muse and Ms. Kelli Smith will be assisting with the Director's Duties as needed during that time.

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

11.0 Policy Readings for the Month of November 2015

- 10.1.1 420 Family Medical Leave**
- 10.1.2 413 Harassment and Violence**
- 10.1.3 417 Chemical Use and Abuse**
- 10.1.4 691 Inclusive Education Plan**

- 10.1.5 501 Weapons**
- 10.1.6 506 Discipline**
- 10.1.7 514 Bullying Prohibition**
- 10.1.8 703 Fund Balance**

Mr. Faysal motioned that policies 420, 413, 417 and 691 be approved as Final Readings. The motion seconded, and the motion carried.

Mr. Ibrahim motioned that policies 501, 506, 514 and 703 be approved as First Readings. The motion seconded, and the motion carried.

12.0 Update on Contract Goals

Mr. Faysal discussed the need for "Updating of Contract Goals" during each Board Meeting, as this is required by our Authorizer.

13.0 School Board Training

A tentative Board of Director's Training Plan was submitted and reviewed. Board of Director's Training is required annually.

10.0 Adjournment

There being no further business, Mr. Faysal motioned that the meeting adjourn, noting the time at 11:27am. The motion carried. The next scheduled meeting will be Saturday, January 9, 2015 at 10:30am.