

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

**Minutes of the School Board Meeting held on Saturday, May 20, 2017 at 1:30 P.M., at the  
International Education Center, 277 12<sup>th</sup> Ave. N, Room #126, Minneapolis, MN, 55401**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Community Representative Mr. Abdirizak Hassan, Community Representative Mr. Abdisamad Ibrahim, Treasurer Mr. Faysal Ali, Teacher Representative Ms. Shannon Pepper, and Teacher Representative Ms. Wesam Shaker, Parent Representative Mr. Ali Mohamed Ali

**ABSENT:** Board Chair, Ms. Marian Aden

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

**ALSO PRESENT:** Ms. Jessica Wroblewski, Ms. Kelli Smith and Accountant Mr. Abdulkadir Salah

**1.0 Call to Order**

Mr. Faysal Ali opened the meeting at 1:26 p.m. Mr. Faysal Ali acknowledged a quorum was present, and thanked them for attending the meeting.

**2.0 Open Agenda**

Mr. Faysal Ali acknowledged the Open Meeting.

**3.0 Approve Agenda**

Ms. Shannon motioned for the Agenda to be approved with the addition of item 9.7. The motion was seconded, and the motion carried.

**4.0 Minutes from the Previous Meetings**

**4.1 Minutes from the Previous Meetings of April 8, 2017**

Ms. Shannon motioned for the Board Meeting Minutes of April 8, 2017 to be approved. The motion was seconded, and the motion carried.

**5.0 Business Arising from the Minutes of April 8, 2017**

No Business Arising from the Minutes of April 8, 2017.

**6.0 Treasurer's Report**

**6.1 July 2016-April 2017 YTD Report**

Mr. Abdulkadir presented the July 2016- April 2017 YTD Report.

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

**7.0 Authorizer's Report**

Item Tabled

**8.0 Director's Report**

Mr. Abdirashid and Ms. Kelli reported:

Directors Notes 5-20-17

1. Student Enrollment is 618.

2. TIES and MIMS curriculum committees are recommending Pearson Interactive Science curriculum for adoption. The estimate for implementation is \$53,000.00 which will include a full day product implementation training and a possible 4 hour daily activation training.
3. MCA Reading Tests for 3rd and 4th graders were completed in April and we can only say that our preliminary data is looking optimistic for growth. Final results are released in late July for public comment.
4. We have completed the staff surveys and will be holding the student survey next week. Parent surveys are ongoing.
5. TIES has been working closely with Hennepin County and the MN Dept. of Health regarding the measles outbreak in MN. We have been operating on their recommendations regarding immunizations and potential exposures to students. The school carnival was cancelled this past Saturday based on their recommendation of precaution.
6. We are gearing down for the end of the school year with only 14 days remaining.
7. TIES Director, Mr. Abdirashid Warsame announced that he would be going out of the country for the next couple of weeks and shared that the Director of Community & Family Relations, Mr. Ali Muse will be responsible for endorsing checks and other contractual agreements during his absence. He also appointed Ms. Kelli Smith, Director of Curriculum & Assessment the responsibility of endorsing all vouchers and employment agreements.

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

## **9.0 Other Reports, Discussion, and Action Items**

### **9.1 First Policy Readings for the month of May 2017**

#### **9.1.1 400A Children in the Workplace**

#### **9.1.2 709 Student Transportation Safety Policy and Forms**

#### **9.1.3 806 Crisis Management Policy**

Ms. Shannon motioned for Policies 400A, 709, and 806 to be approved as first readings. The motion was seconded, and the motion carried.

### **9.2 Final Policy Readings for the month of May 2017**

#### **9.2.1 494 Return to Work Policy**

#### **9.2.2 591 Admissions Policy**

#### **9.2.3 616 School District System Accountability**

Mr. Abdirizak motioned for Policies 494, 591, and 616 to be approved as final readings. The motion was seconded, and the motion carried.

### **9.3 Board Goals**

**Academic Goals-** the School Director's reported the update on MCA Testing for 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> graders which meets an academic goal.\*

**Non-Academic Goals-** the School Director's reported that staff surveys are being completed and that TIES will be holding the student survey next week. Parent surveys are also ongoing which meets a non-academic goal.\*\*

#### **9.4 Real Estate Purchase Agreement Approval**

Roll call was taken for approval of the allocation of \$15,000 from the TIES general fund for the purchase of the building. The motion carried.

#### **9.5 2017-2018 School Board Meeting Schedule Approval**

Ms. Shannon motioned for the 2017-2018 School Board Meeting calendar to be approved. The motion was seconded, and the motion carried

#### **9.6 Election Results Approval**

Mr. Faysal Ali announced that there were three candidates elected, Marian Aden, Teacher Representative, Wesam Shaker, Teacher Representative, and Ali Mohamed Ali, Parent Representative, all receiving 27 votes.

Ms. Shannon motioned for the Election Results to be approved. The motion was seconded, and the motion carried.

#### **9.7 Food and Nutrition Contract Approval**

Mr. Faysal Ali reported that TIES has been seeking bids from several food and nutrition management companies. Under the direction of a TIES committee, approximately 16 different companies were researched and evaluated based on specific criteria provided by the state of Minnesota. The Management Company, Caravan Kids Catering (CKC) received the highest reviews from the committee based on the criteria and was selected as the new food and nutrition management company for TIES.

Mr. Abdirizak motioned for the Food and Nutrition Contract to be approve. The motion was seconded, and the motion carried.

### **10.0 Adjournment**

Ms. Shannon motioned for the meeting to adjourn, noting the time at 2:10 p.m. The motion was seconded, and the motion carried.

### **11.0 Closed Item**

#### **11.1 Directors Evaluation**

Ms. Shannon motioned to reopen the meeting at 2:11 p.m. The motion was seconded, and the motion carried. Mr. Faysal noted that the results of the Directors Evaluation would be shared at the June board meeting.

### **12.0 Adjournment**

Ms. Shannon motioned for the closed meeting to adjourn, noting the time at 2:17 p.m. The motion was seconded, and the motion carried.