

TWIN CITIES INTERNATIONAL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

June 6th, 2009, 3:18 PM.

Agenda for School Board Meeting

Board Members Present:

Abdikarim Mohamed, chair; Mandee Rickard; Jessica Wroblewski; Abdirashid Warsame; Abdisamad Ibrahim; Ibrahim Aden, secretary; Mahmoud Kalif Ahmed.

Board Members Absent:

Kristin Kjolsing, treasurer; Wesam Shaker; Ibrahim Aden, secretary.

Ex-Officio Members Present:

Mark Felshiem, Sponsor Representative from Century College; Randal Eckart, TIES Director; Mohamed Egeh, Business Manager

Guests: Abdullah Mohamed; Ali Muse.

Also present: Abdihamid Geyre, Clerk.

1. Open Meeting.

The Chair opened the meeting at 3:18 PM. Chair asked any changes to be made to the agenda. Mandee observed that July 4th would fall on a Saturday. Discussion on this is made under item 7.e. Then Mandee proposed a revised agenda. Abdisamad seconded. Motion carried.

2. Review minutes from previous meeting.

Chair asked any other observation on minutes. Mandee moved motion to approve minutes from previous meeting. Jessica seconded. Motion carried.

3. Business Manager Report (15 min).

4. New Business.

a. Sponsors Remarks (10 min).

DR. Felsheim calls TIES Director and Chair to review annual goals. He thanks everyone and informs the meeting that enrollment at Century College increased 20% up from last summer.

b. Director's Report (10 min)

Randal told the Board that the Curriculum Team met twice and discussed on purchasing textbooks and continue doing hands-on science. Textbooks purchased cost about 30k from this year's budget. Randal updated the Board about latest developments and activities such as electricity fieldtrip by TIES students, test performance analysis, fire drills, vision and hearing screens, etc. He brainstormed efforts to reach out to parents with regards to vision and hearing screens.

Randal's remarks was then followed by a brief presentation on after school summary—with 64 students being tutored on math and reading. Statistics showed that participants in the after school program had an increase in test scores.

Jessica informed the Board that summer schools would begin on June 15th thru July 9th, Monday through Thursday.

Chair inquired about the feasibility of having Gifted and Talented programs in summer school. More discussion on that would be made thoroughly—and Dr. Felsheim suggested that students might be provided with scholarships to summer programs offered at places like the U, or other colleges.

5. Action Items (10 min).

a. No meeting in July, and that August 15th would be the next meeting.

b. Audit firm contract. TIES selected, but have not contracted yet, HLP.

Ibrahim, the Board Secretary, moved a motion to contract HLP for auditing. Mande seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

c. **MACS (MN Association of Charter Schools)** membership is available for \$4670 in the 2009/2010 school year. Mande moved a motion to renew membership . Jessica seconded. Motion carried.

d. Teacher / EA Resignation (5 min)

Randal informed the Board about a resignation of two staff members— kindergarten and 4th grade teachers. Kristin motions to accept resignation of the two teachers. Mohamud seconded. Motion carried.

e. Board decided that Lacy would clarify July 4th payment for the school staff.

6. Adjournment.

Ibrahim motioned adjourning the meeting. Kristin seconded. Chair closes meeting at 4:30 PM.

TIES Secretary