

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

**Minutes of the School Board Meeting held on Saturday, March 12, 2016 at 10:30am, at the International Education Center, 277 12<sup>th</sup> Ave. N, Room #120, Minneapolis, MN, 55401**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Chair Ms. Marian Aden, 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 and Treasurer Mr. Faysal Ali.

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

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

### **1.0 Welcome and Member Contact Detail Confirmation**

Chair opened the meeting at 10:33am. The Chair acknowledged a quorum was present, and thanked them for attending the meeting. The future Board Meetings will take place in room #126.

### **2.0 Open Agenda**

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

### **3.0 Approve Agenda**

Ms. Jean 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 February 20, 2016**

Ms. Jean motioned for the Board Meeting Minutes of February 20, 2016 be approved with the following changes; Ms. Jean was present at the February 20, 2016 Board Meeting, the Meeting was opened at 10:30am vs. 10.00am. The motion was seconded, and the motion carried.

### **5.0 Business Arising from the Minutes of February 20, 2016**

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

#### **5.1 Strategic Plan.**

Ms. Kelli presented information regarding vision statement for Technology, and Teaching & Learning.

The Board Members agreed on the Technology statement:

“TIES will provide equitable and effective use of existing and emerging 21<sup>st</sup> century technology to engage, challenge, and nurture diverse learners in preparation for global citizenship in an increasingly complex information society. Students and educators will be well versed and competent in the ever advancing landscape of technology”.

The Board Members agreed on the Teaching & Learning statement:

“To ensure a positive learning environment for staff and students. To develop and deliver high quality instruction and curriculum that elevates teacher effectiveness that prepares students for the real-world workforce. To encourage employee knowledge, collaboration, creativity and talents to advance learning for all”.

Finance & Facilities and Academic Achievement will be discussed in the April Board Meeting.

## **6.0 Treasurer’s Report**

### **6.1 July, 2015-February, 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 67%. Total Revenue received was \$7,517,179 while tracking at 55%. Revenue received is 12% below projection. The year-to-date Expenditures are \$7,589,051 while tracking at 66%, which is 2% below projected amount. Mr. Abdulkadir noted that the Fund Balance is 32%. Budget based on 590 ADM (Actual ADM is 595).

Mr. Abdirizak motioned that the Treasurers Report July, 2015-February, 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 595 as of Friday.
2. Parent Teacher conferences were held on Thursday. Feb. 11, 2016. Final counts for turnout was 90% attendance in person or by phone conference.
3. We are finally finished with the ACCESS for ELs testing. Early results will be available in an embargoed status at the end of May.
4. The 2nd Trimester ended on Friday so report cards will be going home with students next Friday, March 18th.
5. We began our Strategic Planning Stakeholder group meetings and they were very successful. Lots of ideas generated and lots of things that are working that we currently have in place. We will be holding the parent meeting on Saturday, April 16th, 2016 @ 10am where we will discuss 3 of the 6 focus areas.

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 March 2016**

- 9.1.1. 524 Internet Acceptable use**
- 9.1.2. 531 Pledge of Allegiance**
- 9.1.3. 533 Wellness**
- 9.1.4. 532 Use of Peace Officers and Crisis Team**

### **9.1.5. 603 Curriculum Development**

Mr. Abdirizak motioned that policies 524, 531 and 533 be approved as Final Readings. The motion seconded, and the motion carried.

Mr. Abdirizak motioned that policies 532 and 603 be approved as First Readings. The motion seconded, and the motion carried.

### **9.2 Update on Contract Goals**

Contract goals were discussed, and recent conference goals have been accomplished.

### **9.3 Authority for the MDE Site Verification System**

Mr. Abdirizak motioned that Mr. Abdirashid Warsame, Director of Twin Cities International Elementary School be approved as the District Authority for the MDE Site Verification System. The motion was seconded, and the motion carried.

## **10.0 Adjournment**

There being no further business, Ms. Jean motioned that the meeting adjourn, noting the time at 11:45am. The motion carried. The next scheduled meeting will be Saturday, April 9, 2016 at 10:30am.