

Twin Cities International Schools

School Board Meeting

Minutes of the School Board Meeting held on **Thursday, March 14, 2024** at 4:00 PM
Twin Cities International Schools, 277 12th Ave N. Room #200, Mpls, MN 55401

Members Present

Chair Mr. Warsame Shirwa

Parent Representative Mr. Abdirazak Botan

Teacher Representative Ms. Heidi Tesfaye

Members Absent

Parent Representative Zeinab Abdulla

Parent Representative Amaal Warfa

Community Representative Mr. Jimmy Engler

1. Call to Order

Mr. Warsame, The Chair, called the meeting to order at **4:11PM** and acknowledged a quorum was present, and thanked them for attending the meeting. **Mr. Abdirashid, Mr. Ismail, and Mohamed Egeh** were welcomed as the Ex-Officio's. **Ms. Abshira**, Board Clerk was also welcomed to the meeting.

2. Open Agenda

Mr. Warasme acknowledged the open meeting.

3. Approve Agenda

MOTION that the March 14, 2024 agenda be approved.

Heidi motioned for the Board Meeting agenda of **March 14, 2024** to be approved as amended.

The motion was seconded and the motion carried.

4. Minutes from the Previous Meetings

4.1 Minutes of February, 2024 Meeting

MOTION: THAT THE MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 15, 2024 BOARD MEETING BE APPROVED.

Abdirizak motioned for the Board Meeting minutes of February 15, 2024 to be approved as corrected. The motion was seconded and the motion carried

5. Business Arising from the Minutes of February 15, 2024

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

6. Treasurer's Report

6.1 July- March 2024 YTD Report

MOTION: THAT THE JULY-FEBRUARY 2024 YTD REPORT BE APPROVED.

Mohamed Egeh presented the Treasurer's Report.

Ms. Heidi motioned for the Treasurer's Report to be approved. The motion was seconded and the motion carried.

6.2 Auditor's Report

MOTION: THAT THE AUDITOR'S REPORT BE APPROVED.

Mohamed Egeh presented and explained the Auditors Report.

6.3 Staff Compensation Discussion for SY 2023-2024

MOTION TO APPROVE COST OF LIVING AT 2% INCREASE

Mr. Abdirashid presented that there is a proposal to increase staff base pay by 2% due to cost of living adjustment.

Abdirizak motioned for the 2% cost of living proposal to be received. The motion was seconded, and the motion carried.

7. Authorizer's Report -

MOTION: THAT THE AUTHORIZER'S REPORT BE APPROVED.

Director's participated in PUC monthly meetings and reported back to the Board about agenda meetings.

8. Director's Report

MOTION: THAT THE DIRECTOR'S REPORT BE RECEIVED.

Mr. Abdirizak motioned to approve the directors report.

TCIS Board Meeting

Executive Director's Report to the Board

Thursday, March 14th, 2024, @ 4:00 pm

In-Person: TCIS Board Room - #200

1. Enrollment Update: **District 948 (K-5 613; MS 335)**
2. ACCESS testing for EL begins February 20th to March 3rd, 2024.
3. The Hennepin Schools game for boys A and B teams took place on Thursday, February 22nd, 2024 with a start time of 4:45 pm and 5:45 pm here at TCIS.
4. Student Progress Report cards were sent home on February 9th, 2024.
5. There was no school for students on Tuesday, March 5th, 2024; the building was used for Minnesota primary elections.
6. Parent-teacher conferences were held on Thursday, 7th, and Friday, March 8th, 2024.
7. Students presented science fair projects during parent-teacher conferences on Thurs. March 7th & Fri. March 8th.
8. Any other Business:
Academic Goals Achieved: Assessments - mentioned
Non-Academic Goals Achieved: Parent-Teacher Conferences

9. Other Reports and Action Items

9.1 First Policy Readings for the month of March 2024

9.1.1 **402 Disability Nondiscrimination**

9.1.2 **418 Drug Free Workplace/Drug Free School**

9.1.3 **502 Search of Student Lockers, Desks, Personal Possessions and Student's Person**

9.1.4 **722 Public Data Requests**

MOTION THAT FIRST READINGS FOR POLICIES 402,418,502 & 722 BE APPROVED.

Heidi motioned that policies 402,418,502 & 722 be approved as first readings.

9.2 Final Policy Readings from the month of February 15, 2024

9.2.1 **501 Weapons Policy**

9.2.2 **532 Use of Peace Officers and Crisis Team Policy**

9.2.3 **535 Meal Charge Policy**

9.2.4 **603 Curriculum Development Policy**

MOTION THAT POLICIES 501,532,535, & 603 BE APPROVED AS FINAL READINGS.

Abdirizak motioned that policies 501,532,535, & 603 be adopted & approved as final readings. The motion was seconded and the motion carried.

9.3 Board Goals

Academic and Non-Academic goals were received and approved as mentioned in the Director's Report.

10. Adjournment

Motion that the March meeting be adjourned.

Mr. Abdirizak motioned for the meeting to be adjourned, noting the time at 4:34PM. The motion was seconded and the motion carried.

*If any one board member wishes to remove an item from the consent agenda for discussion, that item should be added to the board meeting agenda prior to its approval.