Twin Cities International Schools School Board Meeting

Minutes of the School Board Meeting held on Saturday, March 23, 2019 at 9:00 am, at the International Education Center, 277 12th Ave. N, Room #200, Minneapolis, MN, 55401

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chair Mr. Warsame Shirwa, Teacher Representative Ms. Marian Aden, Teacher Representative Ms. Ceri Everett, Teacher Representative Mr. Cyprian Marubi, Community Representative Abdirizak Hassan

ABSENT: Parent Representative Mohamed Osman, Parent Representative Mr. Mohamoud Mohamed, and Parent Representative Jama Warsame

EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS PRESENT: Ex-Officio Member Mr. Faysal Ali

ALSO PRESENT: Ms. Justie Vavra and Accountant Mr. Abdulkadir Salah

1.0 Call to Order

Mr. Warsame opened the meeting at 9:17 am. Mr. Warsame acknowledged a quorum was present, and thanked them for attending the meeting.

2.0 Open Agenda

Mr. Faysal acknowledged the Open Meeting.

3.0 Approve Agenda

Mr. Abdirizak 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 from the Previous Meetings of February 23, 2019

Mr. Cyprian motioned for the Board Meeting Minutes of February 23, 2019 to be approved. The motion was seconded, and the motion carried.

5.0 Business Arising from the Minutes of February 23, 2019

No Business Arising from the Minutes of February 23, 2019.

6.0 Treasurer's Report

6.1 July 2018-February 2019 YTD Report

Mr. Abdulkadir presented the July 2018- February 2019 YTD Report.

The board discussed enrollment and how that affects the TIES budget, including the fact that we get our funds based on October 1 enrollment. Also the board discussed benefits and how the cost is increasing along with bus companies who are charging more for transportation. The school do not have a lot of options with bussing and are forced to pay what is being asked.

Mr. Abdirizak motioned for the July 2018-February 2019 YTD report to be received. The motion was seconded, and the motion carried.

7.0 Authorizer's Report

Ms. Samantha Diaz was here to report good news that TCIS received an excellent report after a site visit. Pillsbury is pleased with TCIS and this relationship continues to be very positive. There will be a Professional Development Day October 17, 2019 for all staff at all Pillsbury schools as the MEA conference is now limited to Union teachers and schools only.

Mr. Abdirizak motioned for Authorizer's Report to be received. The motion was seconded, and the motion carried.

8.0 Director's Report

Mr. Faysal reported:

Directors Notes 3-23-29

- 1. Enrollment as of Friday 3/22/19 is 1033
- 2. Conferences: Trimester II conferences were held on Thursday, March 14, 2019. The school was very pleased with the high number of families attending. Data on participation will be shared at the next board meeting.
- 3. After school tutoring is continuing on Wednesday from 3:00-4:00.
- 4. 2019 WIDA ACCESS Assessments: The assessment measures student proficiency of academic English in the domains of listening, reading, writing, and speaking has been completed.
- 5. The second cycle of teacher evaluations are almost complete.
- 6. After school basketball has started and takes place Tuesday and Thursday of each week.
- 7. Building project is now complete.
- 8. Spring Break is March 25-April 1.
- Ms. Marian motioned for Directors Report 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 March 2019
 - 9.1.1 **501 Weapons**
 - 9.1.2 **532** Use of Peace Officers and Crisis Team
 - 9.1.3 **603 Curriculum Development**
- Ms. Ceri motioned for Policies 501, 532, and 603 to be approved as first readings. The motion was seconded, and the motion carried.

9.2 Final Policy Readings for the month of March 2019

- 9.2.1 **524** Internet Acceptable Use Policy
- 9.2.2 **533** Wellness
- Mr. Cyprian motioned for Policies 524 and 533 to be approved as final readings. The motion was seconded, and the motion carried.

9.3 Board Goals

- 9.3.1 Academic Goals- this was addressed in the Director's Report item #4
- 9.3.2 Non-Academic Goals- this was addressed in the Director's Report item #2

9.4 District Calendars

Item tabled as there are still details that are being discussed. This will give more time for input and conversation.

10.0 Adjournment

Ms. Ceri motioned for the meeting to adjourn, noting the time at 9:55 am. The motion was seconded, and the motion carried.