

**Twin Cities International Schools
School Board Meeting**

Minutes of the School Board Meeting held on Thursday June 2, 2022 at 4:00 PM on Google Meet

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Chair Mr. Warsame Shirwa
Parent Representative Abdirazak Botan
Teacher Representative Mr. Cyprian Marubi
Teacher Representative Heidi Tesfaye
Teacher Representative Ms. Marian Aden
Community Representative Abdi Elmi

ABSENT: Mr. Mohamed Mumin

EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS PRESENT: Ex-Officio Members Mr. Abdirashid Warsame and Mr. Ismail Ahmed

ALSO PRESENT: Ms. Kelli Smith, Mr. Mohamed Egah, Mr. Keith Shellum and Board Clerk Ms. Justine Vavra

1.0 Call to Order

Board Chair opened the meeting at 4:05 PM. Mr. Warsame acknowledged a quorum was present, and thanked them for attending the meeting.

2.0 Open Agenda

Board Chair acknowledged the Open Meeting.

3.0 Approve Agenda

Ms. Heidi motioned for the agenda to be approved. The motion was seconded, and the motion carried.

4.0 Minutes from the Previous Meeting of May 19, 2022

Mr. Abdi Elmi motioned for the Board Meeting Minutes of May 19, 2022 to be approved. The motion was seconded, and the motion carried.

5.0 Business Arising from the Minutes of May 19, 2022

No Business Arising from the Minutes of May 19, 2022

6.0 Authorizer's Report

Item Tabled

7.0 Treasurer's Report

7.1 July 2021-April 2022 YTD Report

Mr. Mohamed Egah was here to present the report. The item was tabled and was sent out to the school board members.

7.2 July 2021-May 2022 YTD Report

Item Tabled - the YTD Report will be sent out to the school board members

7.3 Original Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Budget Approval

Mohamed Egeh presented the Original Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Budget, noting the changes in ADM, health benefits cost and transportation costs.

Ms. Marian motioned for the Original Fiscal Year 2022-2023 budget to be approved. The motion was seconded, and the motion carried.

8.0 Director's Report

Mr. Abdi and Ms. Kelli reported:

1. Enrollment K-4: 535, 5-8: 450 Total= 985
2. 5th grade on distance learning for the remainder of the school year due to rising COVID cases in staff and students within that grade level.
3. Kindergarten & 8th Grade Graduation - Tuesday June 7, 2022 (8am, 10am & 5:30pm). Rewards for K-4, Wednesday, June 8, 2022.
4. Last Day of School - Wednesday, June 8, 2022.
5. The Annual PUC Review went well. Suggestions on how to imbed more information on equity and culturally responsive curriculum into our annual report. Otherwise they were very complimentary and we are glad to have their continued support.
6. ENCORE summer school program will begin on Monday, June 13th for 3 weeks. We will have 20 student spots per grade level and will include experiential learning with field trips.
7. Parent Meeting on 5.21.22- 140 parents attended, the meeting lasted approx. 3 hours and was very insightful with concerns around middle school and support for movement of 5th grade to elementary model.

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

9.0 Other Reports, Discussion, and Action Items

9.1 Academic Recovery Plan

Ms. Kelli presented the Academic Recovery Plan and some changes that are going to take place in the best interest of students. Data Coordinator Mr. Keith Schellum presented some end of the year data. The significant lack of growth in 5th grade is alarming and requires action to be taken and the proposal would be to bring 5th grade back to the elementary classroom model.

Ms. Marian motioned to approve the Academic Recovery Plan. The motion was seconded and the motion was carried.

9.2 Designation of official depositories of the organization

The School Board authorizes that our current depositories of the school funds are: Associated Bank and Sunrise Banks.

Ms. Marian motioned to approve authorizing the depositories of TCIC to be Associated Bank and Sunrise Banks. The motion was seconded, and the motion carried.

9.3 2022 Lease Aid Application Approval

Ms. Heidi motioned to approve the lease aid application for the 2022-2023 school year. The motion was seconded, and the motion carried.

9.4 Identified Official with Authority

Mr. Elmi motioned to identify Mr. Abdirashid Warsame, TCIS Executive Director, as official with authority with responsibility of assigning job duties at school. The motion was seconded, and the motion carried.

9.5 Board Goals

Academic Goals- addressed in the Director's reported

Non-Academic Goals- addressed in the Director's reported

9.6 Executive Director Evaluation Process Discussion

The school board discussed the executive director evaluation process.

10.0 Adjournment

Mr. Botan motioned for the meeting to adjourn, noting the time at 5:10 p.m. The motion was seconded, and the motion carried.