

Twin Cities International Schools

School Board Meeting

Minutes of the School Board Meeting held on Thursday, September 21, 2023, at 4:00 p.m. – Twin Cities International Schools, 277 12th Ave. N, Room #200, Minneapolis, MN 55401

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Chair Mr. Warsame Shirwa
Parent Representative Ms. Abdirazak Botan
Parent Representative Ms. Zeinab Abdulla
Teacher Representative Ms. Heidi Tesfaye
Community Representative Mr. James Engler

ABSENT: Parent Representative Ms. Amaal Warfa, Teacher Representative Ms. Marian Aden

EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS PRESENT: Mr. Abdirashid Warsame

1.0 Call to Order

Board Chair opened the meeting at 4:21 p.m. Mr. Warsame acknowledged a quorum was present, and thanked them for attending the meeting.

2.0 Open Agenda

Mr. Warsame acknowledged the Open Meeting.

3.0 Approve Agenda

Mr. Abdirazak motioned for the agenda to be approved. The motion was seconded, and the motion carried.

4.0 Minutes from the Previous Meeting of June 8, 2023

4.1 Minutes of June 8, 2023

MOTION THAT THE MINUTES OF JUNE 8, 2023 BE APPROVED

Mr. James motioned for the Board Meeting Minutes of June 8, 2023 to be approved, the motion was seconded and the motion carried.

5.0 Business Arising from the Minutes of June 8, 2023

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

6.0 Treasurer's Report

6.1 July 2023 - August 2023 YTD Report

MOTION THAT THE JULY 2023 – AUGUST 2023 YTD REPORT TO BE APPROVED

Mr. Abdirashid Warsame presented the Treasurer's Report.

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

7.0 Authorizer's Report

Item Tabled

8.0 Director's Report

Mr. Abdirashid reported:

1. Enrollment Status: **961** Students (**K-5: 624; 6-8: 337**)
2. We kicked off the new year with the new staff coming in August 16th, 2023 for onboarding. The returning staff reported August 17th, 2023.
3. Our Open-House was held for students and families on Thursday August 24th, 2023. And school started Monday August 28th, 2023.
4. All students and staff are settled now and we have dropped students who haven't shown up the last 15 days of school (Friday September 15th, 2023).
5. Transportation: We are running 24 buses this year and a pivot bus (#25).
6. **MAP Tests:** Map Reading & Math - we are starting this week the Fall Map Testing
7. Kindergarten (New Students) to schooling are faring well and enjoying their full days of school.
8. We had a long weekend for Labor Day.
9. We welcome our new Board Members and Thank the outgoing members for their service to the school, community, and families.
10. Any other Business:
Academic Goals Achieved: MCA & MAP tests completed _ Data Presentation TBA soon
Non-Academic Goals Achieved: Parent ACADEMY - TO BE ANNOUNCED SOON.

MOTION THAT THE DIRECTOR'S REPORT BE RECEIVED.

Mr. James motioned for the Director's Report to be received. 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 September 2023

9.1.2 414 Mandate Reporting of Child Neglect

9.1.3 516a Overdose Medication

9.1.4 591 Admissions

MOTION THAT POLICIES 414, 516a AND 591 BE APPROVED AS FIRST READINGS.

Mr. Abdirazak motioned for Policies 414, 516a and 591 to be approved as first readings. The motion was seconded and the motion carried.

9.2 Contract Goals Review

9.2.1 Academic and Non-Academic Goals were received and approved as mentioned in

the Director's Report.

10.0 Adjournment

MOTION THAT THE SEPTEMBER MEETING BE ADJOURNED.

Ms. Heidi motioned for the meeting to be adjourned, noting the time at 4:43 p.m. The motion was seconded and the motion carried.