

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

**Minutes of the School Board Meeting held on Thursday May 14, 2020 at 4:00 PM on Google Meet**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Chair Mr. Warsame Shirwa

Teacher Representative Ms. Ceri Everett

Community Representative Mohamud Mumin

Teacher Representative Marian Aden

Parent Representative Mr. Abdirizak Botan

**ABSENT:**

Teacher Representative Mr. Cyprian Marubi

Parent Representative Mr. Mohamed Osman

Parent Representative Jama Warsame

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

**ALSO PRESENT:** Ms. Justie Vavra, Ms. Kelli Smith and Accountant Mr. Mohamed Egah

**1.0 Call to Order**

Board Chair opened the meeting at 4:12 p.m. 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. Ceri 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 April 9, 2020**

Ms. Ceri motioned for the Board Meeting Minutes of April 9, 2020 to be approved. The motion was seconded, and the motion carried.

**4.2 Minutes from the Previous Meetings of April 27, 2020**

Ms. Marian motioned for the Board Meeting Minutes of April 27, 2020 to be approved. The motion was seconded, and the motion carried.

**5.0 Business Arising from the Minutes of April 9, 2020 and April 27, 2020**

No Business Arising from the Minutes of April 9, 2020 and April 27, 2020

**6.0 Treasurer's Report**

**6.1 July 2019-April 2020 YTD Report**

Mr. Egah presented the July 2019- April 2020 YTD Report.

Ms. Ceri motioned for the July 2019- April 2020 YTD report to be received. The motion was seconded, and the motion carried.

## **7.0 Authorizer's Report**

Item Tabled

## **8.0 Director's Report**

Mr. Abdirashid reported:

1. Current enrollment at 1014
2. TCIS has decided to return the federal SBA PPP loan based on conversations with its financial advisor, authorizer, board, administration, and others regarding use of the funds and deadlines.
3. Staff appreciation week was honored the week of May 4th by sending a gift to each employee home from a local Minneapolis business.
4. TCIS is working on a plan to hold a drive through parking lot graduation ceremony for our 8th graders during our final week of school in June. More information will be coming soon.
5. Teachers and students have appreciated the change to the Friday Distance Learning Program, allowing students time to catch up on work from the week and just having a shorter, fun activity with their classmates and teacher.
6. Due to distance learning there will be no Spring assessments for PUC Goal reporting.
7. MDE is advising schools to allow families to keep distance learning devices throughout the summer and TCIS has decided to follow that guidance. We hope this will allow families additional opportunities to use online learning platforms with their children to continue working on reading and math skills over the summer months.
8. We are still seeing strong percentages of students checking in a few times a week and submitting daily work though the distance learning process.

Mr. Abdirizak motioned for the Director's Notes 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 May 2020**

**9.1.1 400A Children in the Workplace**

**9.1.2 709 Student Transportation**

**9.1.3 806 Crisis Management**

Mr. Abdirizak motioned for Policies 400A, 709, and 806 to be approved as first readings. The motion was seconded, and the motion carried.

## **9.2 Final Policy Readings for the month of May 2020**

9.2.1 **494 Return to Work Policy**

9.2.2 **591 Admissions**

9.2.3 **616 School District Accountability**

Ms. Ceri motioned for Policies 494, 591, and 616 to be approved as final readings. The motion was seconded, and the motion carried.

## **9.3 Board Goals**

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

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

## **9.4 School Board Meeting Schedule 2020-2021 Discussion**

## **10.0 Adjournment**

Ms. Ceri motioned for the meeting to adjourn, noting the time at 4:36 p.m. The motion was seconded, and the motion carried.