

**Twin Cities International Schools  
School Board Meeting**

**Minutes of the School Board Meeting held on Thursday February 17, 2022 at 4:00 pm on Google Meet**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

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

**ABSENT:** Community Representative Mohamed Mumin

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

**ALSO PRESENT:** Board Clerk Ms. Justine Vavra

**1.0 Call to Order**

Mr. Warsame opened the meeting at 4:04 pm. Mr. Warsame acknowledged a quorum was present, and thanked all for attending the meeting.

**2.0 Open Agenda**

Mr. Warsame acknowledged the Open Meeting.

**3.0 Approve Agenda**

Ms. Marian 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 January 20, 2022**

Mr. Cyprian motioned for the Board Meeting Minutes of January 20, 2022 to be approved. The motion was seconded, and the motion carried.

**5.0 Business Arising from the Minutes of January 20, 2022.**

No Business Arising from the Minutes of January 20, 2022.

**6.0 Treasurer's Report**

**6.1 July 2021-January 2022 YTD Report**

Mr. Abdi presented the July 2021- January 2022 YTD Report.

Mr. Cyprian motioned for the July 2021-January 2022 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. Enrollment K-4: 553, 5-8: 457, Total = 1010
2. We have successfully returned from online learning on Monday, Feb. 7th, 2022. Attendance was and continues to be very strong and the number of returned chromebooks was very high.
3. MAP testing is underway and we will share winter testing benchmark results at the March Board Meeting (PUC Goals)
4. Due to our board approved calendar changes last month, we will also need to reschedule our March board meeting as it falls on parent conference night, 3/17/22. We propose the board take action to move it to the following week on Thursday, March 24th, 2022 at 4 pm.
5. ACCESS testing for students designated as English Learners will begin next week.

Ms. Marian motioned for the Director's 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 February 2022**

#### **9.1.1 501 Weapons**

#### **9.1.2 532 Use of Peace Officers and Crisis Team**

#### **9.1.3 603 Curriculum Development**

Mr. Cyprian motioned for Policies 501, 532 and 603 to be approved as first readings. The motion was seconded, and the motion carried.

### **9.2 First Policy Readings for the month of February 2022**

#### **9.2.1 491 Credit Card Usage**

#### **9.2.2 522 Student Sex Nondiscrimination**

#### **9.2.3 524 Internet Acceptable Use Policy**

#### **9.2.4 533 Wellness**

Mr. Cyprian motioned for Policies 491, 522, 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- discussed in Director's Report

9.3.2 Non-Academic Goals- Director's Report

### **9.4 Staff Compensation Conversation**

An item was added to the agenda addressing staff compensation as staff has been asking about how TCIS plans to compensate staff with inflation on the rise. Mr. Abdi shared that there has already been conversation about this and more will be discussed at the March School Board Meeting.

### **9.5 Board Training Plan**

The school board training will take place next month immediately before the board meeting: March 24, 2022 from 3:00-4:00pm, either at TCIS or virtually.

## **10.0 Adjournment**

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