

**Midway Star Academy**  
**School Board of Directors - District #4153**  
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## **Regular Board Meeting Minutes**

October 23, 2020, 3:00 pm

Location of Meeting: Midway Star facility and by remote video

### **Midway Star Academy's Mission**

Midway Star Academy will provide students with educational opportunities that are respectful of the students' background and culture, learning styles and interests, enabling them to meet high academic expectations in an environment that allows them to celebrate their own unique culture while learning American customs and what it means to be a citizen.

### **Midway Star Academy's Vision**

The academic focus of Midway Star Academy is to integrate students into the scholastic community of Minnesota and enable students to use their talents and experiences to achieve to the best of their ability.

**I. Call to order:** The Board Chair, Abdiweli Mohamud, called the meeting to order at TIME :Friday, October 23, 2020 at 2:00 PM.

### **II. Roll Call of Members (Secretary)**

#### **Board Members Present or Absent:**

Name	Present/Absent
Abdiweli Mohamud (Chair, Community)	p
Hasan Hade (Vice Chair, Community)	p
Ismail Haji (Treasurer, Teacher)	p
Osman Ali (Secretary, Community)	p
Amina Abdullahi (Parent)	p
Paula Stuelke (Teacher)	p
Abdulkadir Abdalla (Community)	p
Mohamed Warsame (Ex-Officio)	p

A quorum was established/not established.

#### **Guests and Community Members Present:**

Name	Position/Role
	School Director of Midway Star Academy
Sam Pfeifer	Director of Instruction and Curriculum

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Decision:

**Action Item: Approval of Lease Aid**

Explanation: Robert discussed the lease aid and said that one board member needed to sign the paperwork. Other than that, everything looked good.

Motion: This did not require a motion

Made by: \_\_\_\_\_ Seconded by:

Discussion

Vote:            Yea:                    Nay:                    Abstain:

Decision:

**Action Item: Approval of \$20,000 for Recruitment and Outreach**

Explanation: Mohamed says that he needed more money to be appropriated for student/community outreach budget to keep improving the enrollment which has been a big issue in the past.

Motion: to approve additional \$20,000 for student/community outreach

Made by: Abdulkadir                                            Seconded by: Ismail

Discussion

Vote:            Yea: 7                    Nay: 0                    Abstain:

Decision: the motion carries

**Action Item: School Learning Model Updates**

Explanation: Mohamed discussed both the distance and the hybrid model which the school has experimented in the past two months. Mohamed said that there was the possibility the school could again transition to distance learning due to the increased number of COVID-19 cases in the Ramsey county.

Motion: To give the admin the flexibility to do both distance and hybrid models as they see fit for the school

Made by: Abdulkadir                                            Seconded by: Ismail

Discussion

Vote:            Yea: 7                    Nay: 0                    Abstain:

Decision: Motion carries

**VII. Public Comments:**

**VIII. Board Training: Roderick will discuss this item in the next board meeting**

**IX. Next Meeting**

Next Board Meeting: Type, Date, Time, Location  
November 20, 2020 on Friday via Zoom

**X. Adjournment**

Motion: to adjourn the meeting

Made by: Abdiweli

Seconded by: Abdulkadir

Discussion

Vote: Yea: 7

Nay: 0

Abstain:

Decision: Motion carries