

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

November 20, 2020, 2:00 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:

**Time:** Friday, November 20, 2020 at 2:00 PM.

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

#### Board Members Present or Absent:

Name	Present/Absent
Abdiweli Mohamud (Chair, Community)	A
Hasan Hade (Vice Chair, Community)	P
Ismail Haji (Treasurer, Teacher)	P
Osman Ali (Secretary, Community)	A
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
Mohamed Warsame	School Director of Midway Star Academy
Sam Pfeifer	Director of Instruction and Curriculum
Khalif Warsame	Academic Advisor

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### **III. Declaration of Conflicts of Interest**

#### **IV. Approval of Agenda**

Motion: To approve the November meeting agenda

Made by: Abdulkadir                                  Seconded by: Hassan

Discussion

Vote:                  Yea: 5                  Nay: 0                  Abstain: 0

Decision: The motion carries

#### **V. Approval of October Meeting Minutes**

Motion: to approve the October meeting minutes

Made by: Hassan                                  Seconded by: Ismail

Discussion: No questions were raised

Vote:                  Yea:                  Nay: 0                  Abstain: 0

Result: the motion carries

#### **VI. Action Items**

##### **Action Item: October Financials**

Explanation: A motion to approve the October financials.

Robert discussed the overall financial situation of the school and indicated that the school was in good shape financially with the higher enrollment being a big factor

Made by: Abdulkadir                                  Seconded by: Ismail

Discussion: The board advised that the lease aid should be applied for and submitted as soon as possible. Robert said that the process had already begun and that the application was ready to be submitted.

Vote:                  Yea: 5                  Nay: 0                  Abstain: 0

Decision: Motion carries

##### **Action Item: School Learning Model Update**

Explanation: Mohamed asked the board to approve the school's learning models which keeps changing due to the fluctuations of the number of COVID-19 cases in the twin cities. The school admin has decided to transition to full distance learning until January 5 if the cases have stabilized.

Motion: to approve the distance learning model

Made by: Abdulkadir                                  Seconded by Hassan

Discussion: The board members discussed the importance of the distance learning model at this point in time.

Vote:5                  Yea:0                  Nay: 0                  Abstain: 0

Decision: Motion carries

##### **Action Item: Annual Report Draft**

Explanation: The Annual Report is a document that must be approved by the board

Motion: to approve the annual report draft

Made by: Paula                                  Seconded by: Hassan

