# Midway Star Academy

**School Board of Directors - District #4153**

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**Regular Board Minutes**

September 24, 2021, 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 student’s 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.

1. **Call to order:** Abdiweli called the meeting to order.

**Time**: Friday, September 24, 2021, at 2:00

## Roll Call of Members (Secretary) Board Members Present or Absent:

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| **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) | A |
| Paula Stuelke (Teacher) | P |
| Abdulkadir Abdalla (Community) | P |  |
| Mohamed Warsame (Ex-Officio) | P |

A quorum was established/not established.

## Guests and Community Members Present:

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| **Name** | **Position/Role** |
| Rod Haenke | School consultant |
| Keillen  | School lawyer |
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## Declaration of Conflicts of Interest:

## Approval of September Agenda

Motion: To approve the September agenda. Two items were added to the agenda: A letter of intent to establish a separate high school and yearly Board training.

Made by: Abdulkadir Seconded by: Ismail

Discussion:

Vote: Yea: 6 Nay: 0 Abstain: Decision: motion carries

## Approval of August Meeting Minutes

Motion: To approve August Minutes

Made by: Paula Seconded by: Abdulkadir

Discussion:

Vote: Yea: 6 Nay: 0 Abstain: 0 Result: Motion carries

## Action Items

**Action Item: August Financials**

Explanation: To approve the August financials.

Made by: Paula Seconded by: Osman

Discussion: Robert presented the school financials and said the school had healthy cash flows.

Vote: 6 Yea: 0 Nay: 0 Abstain: Decision: motion carries

**Action Item: Executive Director Evaluation based on Enrollment, Financials, and Academics.**

Explanation: To approve the director’s job based on enrollment, financials, and academics. To approve a subcommittee comprised of Abdulkadir and Abdiweli in consultation with Rod Haenke, the school consultant.

Made by: Hassan Seconded by: Ismail

Discussion:

Vote: Yea: 6 Nay: 0 Abstain: Decision:

**A****ction Item: Approval of new Chromebooks and computers**

Explanation: To approve 100 Chromebooks and 50 computers.

Made by: Abdulkadir Seconded by: Abdiweli

Discussion:

Vote: Yea: 6 Nay: 0 Abstain: Decision: motion carries

**Action Item: Approval of about $20,000 associated with repairing the front entrance driveway**

Explanation: To resurface and fill in the potholes throughout the front entrance with

Made by: Abdulkadir Seconded: Paula

Discussion:

Vote: Yea: 6 Nay: 0 Abstain: Decision: motion carries

**Action Item: Approval a letter of Intent to establish a new high school with NEO**

Explanation: To ensure the building adjacent to the school is not taken by another school, the board acting as the board of the new high school would need to approve the new high school letter of intent to start operating out of that building. It is hard for Midway Star to expand with Pillsbury United Community at this time so it would be better to have a school that is supported by Midway Star to occupy the building. The current board members are acting as the board members of the new school

Made by: Abdulkadir Seconded by: Abdiweli

Discussion:

Vote: Yea: 6 Nay: 0 Abstain: Decision: motion carries

1. **Public Comments:**

## Next Meeting

Next Board Meeting: Type, Date, Time, Location October 22, 2021, on Friday at 2:00 PM via Zoom

## Adjournment at

Motion: To adjourn the meeting at

Made by: Abdiweli Seconded by: Osman

Discussion:

Vote: Yea: 6 Nay: 0 Abstain: 0 Decision: Motion carries