

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

August 19, 2022, 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.

### I. Call to order: Abdiweli called the meeting to order

**Time:** Friday, August 19, 2022, at 2:01

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

#### Board Members Present or Absent:

Name	Present/Absent
1. Abdiweli Mohamud (Chair, Community)	P
2. Amina Abdullahi (Parent, Community)	P
3. Osman Ali (Community, Member)	P
4. Abdulkadir Abdalla (Vice-Chair, Community)	P
5. Kaltoon Aded (Teacher)	P
Mohamed Warsame (Ex-Officio)	

A quorum was established.

#### Guests and Community Members Present:

Name	Position/Role
Franklin	Dieci School Finance
Khalif Warsame	Midway Star Academy

If you need accommodation for a disability (i.e., wheelchair accessibility, interpreter, large-print materials) such an accommodation can be available upon advance request. Contact the Director at (651) 642-0667 as soon as possible.

**III. Declaration of Conflicts of Interest:**

**IV. Approval of August Board Meeting Agenda**

Motion: To approve July Board Agenda

Made by: Kaltoon

Seconded by: Amina

Discussion: Motion carries

<b>Roll Call Vote</b>	<b>Yea/Nea/Abstain</b>
1. Abdiweli Mohamud (Chair, Community Member)	Y
2. Amina Abdullahi (Parent member)	Y
3. Osman Ali (Community Member)	Y
4. Abdulkadir Abdalla (Vice-Chair, Community member)	Y
5. Kaltoon Aded (Teacher)	Y

Vote:            Yea: 5            Nay: 0            Abstain:

Decision: Motion carries

**V. Action Items**

**1. Action Item: Approval of July Minutes**

Explanation: To approve July Agenda and May Minutes

Made by: Abdulkadir

Seconded by: Kaltoon

Discussion: Motion carries.

<b>Roll Call Vote</b>	<b>Yea/Nea/Abstain</b>
1. Abdiweli Mohamud (Chair, Community Member)	Y
2. Amina Abdullahi (Parent member)	Y
3. Osman Ali (Community Member)	Y
4. Abdulkadir Abdalla (Vice-Chair, Community member)	Y
5. Kaltoon Aded (Teacher)	Y

Vote:            Yea: 5            Nay: 0            Abstain:

Decision: motion carries

**2. Action Item: Approval of July Financials**

Explanation: To approve May and June financials

Made by: Osman

Seconded by: Amina

Discussion: Motion carries

<b>Roll Call Vote</b>	<b>Yea/Nea/Abstain</b>
1. Abdiweli Mohamud (Chair, Community Member)	Y
2. Amina Abdullahi (Parent member)	Y
3. Osman Ali (Community Member)	Y
4. Abdulkadir Abdalla (Vice-Chair, Community member)	Y
5. Kaltoon Aded (Teacher)	Y

Vote:            Yea: 5            Nay: 0            Abstain:

Decision: Motion carries

**3. Action Item: Approval of School Policies: Student/Employee Handbooks, Whistleblower policy, Harassment and Violence Prohibition Policy (updated),**

Explanation: To approve the above school policies for 2022-23 SY.

Made by: Abdulkadir

Seconded by: Amina

Discussion:

<b>Roll Call Vote</b>	<b>Yea/Nea/Abstain</b>
1. Abdiweli Mohamud (Chair, Community Member)	Y
2. Amina Abdullahi (Parent member)	Y
3. Osman Ali (Community Member)	Y
4. Abdulkadir Abdalla (Vice-Chair, Community member)	Y
5. Kaltoon Aded (Teacher)	Y

Vote:

Yea: 5

Nay: 0

Abstain:

Decision: Motion carries

**4. Action Item: Approval of School Policies: Conflict of Interest, Employee and Service Provider Policy, Nursing Mothers policy (First reading).**

Explanation: To approve the above school policies for 2022-23 SY.

First Reading:

Made by:

Seconded by:

Discussion:

<b>Roll Call Vote</b>	<b>Yea/Nea/Abstain</b>
1. Abdiweli Mohamud (Chair, Community Member)	Y
2. Amina Abdullahi (Parent member)	Y
3. Osman Ali (Community Member)	Y
4. Abdulkadir Abdalla (Vice-Chair, Community member)	Y
5. Kaltoon Aded (Teacher)	Y

**5. Approval of Vendor Contracts**

Explanation: To approve the contracts for the following vendors: Pride Transportation School Bus, Mid Star Transportation, Designs for Learning, Secure Transportation, Pinnacle Management Services, Done Right Food Services, and Dieci School Finance for the 2022-23 School Year.

Made by: Abdulkadir

Seconded by: Amina

Discussion: Based on what some parents have said, the board raised a concern about the food quality that Done Right Foods has provided over the past couple of years. Mohamed said he would ensure the food quality is not compromised, and if he feels that it is necessary to switch to a new vendor to serve our students well, he wants the board to know he would have no choice but to do it.

Roll Call Vote	Yea/Nea/Abstain
1. Abdiweli Mohamud (Chair, Community Member)	Y
2. Amina Abdullahi (Parent member)	Y
3. Osman Ali (Community Member)	Y
4. Abdulkadir Abdalla (Vice-Chair, Community member)	Y
5. Kaltoon Aded (Teacher)	Y

Vote: Yea: 5 Nay: 0 Abstain:  
Decision: Motion carries

## 6. Approval of Director’s Contract

Explanation: To approve the Director’s contract starting on July 1, 2022-June 30, 2025.

Made by: Amina Seconded by: Kaltoon

Discussion: The board approved the job Mohamed Warsame has done and approved the new contract for three years.

Roll Call Vote	Yea/Nea/Abstain
1. Abdiweli Mohamud (Chair, Community Member)	Y
2. Amina Abdullahi (Parent member)	Y
3. Osman Ali (Community Member)	Y
4. Abdulkadir Abdalla (Vice-Chair, Community member)	Y
5. Kaltoon Aded (Teacher)	Y

Vote: Yea: 5 Nay: 0 Abstain:  
Decision: Motion carries

### I. Public Comments: No comments

### II. Next Meeting

Next Board Meeting: Type, Date, Time, Location  
September 23, 2022, on Friday at 2:00 PM via  
Zoom

### III. Adjournment at

Motion: To adjourn the meeting at 2:45 PM.

Made by: Osman Seconded by: Abdalla

Discussion:

Vote: Yea: 5 Nay: 0 Abstain:

Decision: Motion carries

Roll Call Vote	Yea/Nea/Abstain
1. Abdiweli Mohamud (Chair, Community Member)	Y
2. Amina Abdullahi (Parent member)	Y
3. Osman Ali (Community Member)	Y
4. Abdulkadir Abdalla (Vice-Chair, Community member)	Y
5. Kaltoon Aded (Teacher)	Y

Vote: Yea: 5 Nay: 0 Abstain:  
Decision: Motion carries