

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

February 17, 2023, 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: called the meeting to order

Time: Friday, February 17, 2023, at 2:01

II. Roll Call of Members (Secretary)

Board Members Present or Absent:

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

A quorum was established/not established.

Guests and Community Members Present:

Name	Position/Role
Robert Proccacini	Dieci School Finance
Khalif Warsame	Midway Star Teacher
Keillen	School Lawyer

If you need accommodation for a disability (i.e., wheelchair accessibility, interpreter, large-print material such 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 January Board Meeting Agenda:

Motion: To approve February Board Agenda

Made by: Abdulkadir

Seconded by: Abdiweli

Discussion:

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)	A

Vote: Yea: 4 Nay: 0 Abstain:

Decision: Motion carries

V. Action Items

1. Action Item: Approval of January Minutes

Explanation: To approve January Minutes

Made by: Abdulkadir

Seconded by: Abdiweli

Discussion:

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)	A

Vote: Yea: 4 Nay: 0 Abstain:

Decision: Motion carries

2. Action Item: Review and revise the school’s mission and vision statements.

Explanation: To approve the last reading of the revised school vision and mission statements. The final approval will take place in March meeting

Made by: Abdiweli

Seconded by: Amina

Vision:

Vote: Yea: 4 Nay: Abstain:
 Decision: Motion carries

4. Action Item: Approval of Hiring Overseas Teachers, and two instructional coaches for the 2023-24 School year.

5.

Explanation: To approve the hiring of J1 exchange teachers due to qualified-teacher shortages and two instructional coaches to help teachers succeed and ensure teaching lessons meet and teach to the state academic standards and curriculum with fidelity.

Made by: Abdulkadir

Seconded by: Amina

Discussion: The director discussed the seriousness of having to survive teacher shortages this year with licensed but inexperienced teachers to teach state academic standards. He said that he would not allow this issue to repeat next year; therefore, we need to recruit highly qualified teachers from everywhere, including from overseas, to meet our students' academic and social-emotional needs to help improve our academic performance overall.

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)	A

Vote: Yea: 4 Nay: Abstain:
 Decision: Motion carries

- 6. Enrollment Update: 315
- 7. Audit Status: Still pending

I. Public Comments: No comments

II. Next Meeting

Next Board Meeting (Annual Meeting): Type, Date, Time, Location
 March 24, 2023, on Friday at 2:00 PM via Zoom

III. Adjournment at 2: 29 pm

Motion: To adjourn the meeting at 2:29

Made by: Seconded by:

Discussion:

Vote: Yea: 4 Nay: 0 Abstain:

Decision: Motion carries

Roll Call Vote	Yea/Nea/Abstain
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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)	A

Vote: Yea: 4 Nay: Abstain:
Decision: Motion carries