

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

March 24, 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: Abdiweli called the meeting to order

Time: Friday, March 24, 2023, at 2:00

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)	
	p
Mohamed Warsame (Ex-Officio)	

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

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III. Declaration of Conflicts of Interest:

IV. Approval of March Board Meeting Agenda:

Motion: To approve March Board Agenda

Made by: Abdalla

Seconded by: Osman

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)	Y

Vote: Yea: 5 Nay: 0 Abstain:

Decision: Motion carries

V. Action Items

1. Action Item: Approval of February Minutes

Explanation: To approve February 2023 board meeting Minutes

Made by: Osman

Seconded by: Abdulkadir

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)	Y

Vote: Yea: 5 Nay: 0 Abstain:

Decision: Motion carries

2. Action Item: To approve the new school mission and vision statements.

Explanation: To approve the revised school vision and mission statements.

Made by: Osman

Seconded by: Abdalla

Vision:

- *We envision a school where every student is known, valued, and supported as an individual, with student-centered educational programs to meet each student's unique needs and interests.*

Mission:

- *Midway Star Academy will create a learning environment that incorporates the cultural experiences of its students by enriching their personal and innate characteristics while setting high expectations and infusing personalized learning into the curriculum to improve student engagement and achievement.*

Explanation: Mohamed tells the board that after the board had ample time to read and evaluate the new vision and mission statements, it is time for them to make a decision on whether to approve them. Mohamed adds that the new statements will allow the school leadership to cater to the needs of students in a way that respects them and puts an onus on adults to offer them the academic support they need.

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

3. Action Item: Approval of February financials

Explanation: To approve February financials

Made by: Abdulkadir

Seconded by: Abdiweli

Discussion: Robert presented the financial dashboard to the board. As of February 28, 2023, the total revenues were \$3,920,228 compared to a budgeted amount of \$8,181,666 which represented 48% of total budgeted revenues. As of February 28, 2023, the total expenses were \$4,148,359 compared to a budgeted amount of \$7,646,923 which represents 54% of total budgeted expenditures. The cash flow is strong and the fund balance at the end of school is projected to be in good shape as well.

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

4. Action Item: Approval of Board Laptops

Explanation: To approve the purchase of laptop computers for board members to be able to use them for board-related meetings over zoom

Made by: Abdulkadir Seconded by: Osman
 Discussion: Mohamed proposed that the board be provided with school-owned laptop computers to use for board meetings that will be held over zoom for the foreseeable future.

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

- 5. Enrollment Update: 430
- 6. Audit Status: Still pending

I. Public Comments: No comments

II. Next Meeting

Next Board Meeting (Annual Meeting): Type,
 Date, Time, Location
 April 21, 2023, on Friday at 2:00 PM via Zoom

III. Adjournment at 2:30 PM.

Motion: To adjourn the meeting at 2:30 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: Nay: Abstain:
Decision: Motion carries