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October 20, 2023 2:00 PM In-Person

**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.

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.

**Call to order:** Abdiweli called the meeting to order at 2 PM on October 20, 2023.

I. Attendance (Secretary)
Board Members Present or Absent:

| Name                  | Jul | Augus | Septembe | Octobe | Novembe | Decembe | Januar | Februar | Marc | Apri | Ma | Jun |
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| 1. Abdiweli Mohamud   |     |       |          |        |         |         |        |         |      |      |    |     |
| (Chair, Community     |     |       |          |        |         |         |        |         |      |      |    |     |
| Member)               |     |       |          |        |         |         |        |         |      |      |    |     |
| 2. Amina Abdullahi    |     |       |          |        |         |         |        |         |      |      |    |     |
| (Parent, Community)   |     |       |          |        |         |         |        |         |      |      |    |     |
| 3. Osman Ali          |     |       |          |        |         |         |        |         |      |      |    |     |
| (Community, Member)   |     |       |          |        |         |         |        |         |      |      |    |     |
| 4. Abdulkadir Abdalla |     |       |          |        |         |         |        |         |      |      |    |     |
| (Vice-Chair,          |     |       |          |        |         |         |        |         |      |      |    |     |
| Community)            |     |       |          |        |         |         |        |         |      |      |    |     |
| 5. Kaltoon Aded       |     |       |          |        |         |         |        |         |      |      |    |     |
| (Teacher)             |     |       |          |        |         |         |        |         |      |      |    |     |
| 6. Mohamed Warsame    |     |       |          |        |         |         |        |         |      |      |    |     |
| (Ex-Officio)          |     |       |          |        |         |         |        |         |      |      |    |     |
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**Guests and Community Members Present:** 

| Name              | Position/Role        |
|-------------------|----------------------|
| Robert Proccacini | Dieci School Finance |
| Curtis Keillen    | School Attorney      |
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### **II.** Declaration of Conflicts of Interest

### **III.** Public Comment

## IV. Approval of Agenda

### **Action Item:**

**Motion:** Approval of October 20, 2023 Board Meeting Agenda. Made by: Abdiweli Seconded by: Amina

Discussion:

Vote: Yea: 5 Nay: 0 Abstain:

| Roll Call Vote                                       | Yea/Nay/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)                            |                 |
| 6. Anna Hemstead (Teacher)                           | Y               |

Decision: Motion carries

# V. Approval of Minutes

# **Action Item:**

Motion: Approval of September 15, 2023 Board Meeting Agenda.

Made by: Abdiweli Seconded by: Amina

Discussion:

Vote: Yea: 5 Nay: 0 Abstain:

| Roll Call Vote                                       | Yea/Nay/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)                            |                 |
| 6. Anna Hemstead (Teacher)                           | Y               |

Decision: Motion carries

# VI. Committee Reports/Presentations

| Subject/Presenter: | Academic Report: Highlights from the Annual Report   |
|--------------------|--|
| Discussion         |  |
| Subject/Presenter  | Anisa Awale. Anisa is the school instructional coach, and she discussed the school's new curriculum and academic activities that are taking place. She also touched upon the goals the school created to bring about educational improvements. Anisa mentioned the school's personalized learning classes this year to close the achievement gap within our school. Some personalized learning tools we use include MobyMax, Lexia, IXL, and the school's new curriculum in SAVVAS. Savvas has been great this year, the first year we have started to implement it. Envision Math and MyView Literacy are both challenging and hopefully will help our students' academic skills soon. Teachers have had several pieces of training to get acquainted with the curriculum and to teach effectively. |
| Discussion         |  |
| Subject/Presenter  |  |
| Discussion         |  |

### **Decision:**

### VII. New Business

**A. Annual Report:** This is a draft. Data is still being collected and will be added when ready.

### **Action Item:**

**Motion:** Approve Annual Report

Made by: Abdulkadir Seconded by: Amina

Discussion:

Vote: Yea: 5 Nay: 0 Abstain:

| Roll Call Vote                                       | Yea/Nay/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)                            |                 |
| 6. Anna Hemstead (Teacher)                           | Y               |

Decision: Motion carries

### **B.** 2023-24 Annual Charter School Assurances

**Action Item:** Approve 2023-24 Annual Charter School Assurances

**Motion:** Approve Annual Report

Made by: Amina Seconded by: Abdulkadir

Discussion:

Vote: Yea: 5 Nay: 0 Abstain:

| Roll Call Vote | Yea/Nay/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)                            |   |
| 6. Anna Hemstead (Teacher)                           | Y |

Decision: Motion carries

### C. September Financial Statements

Motion: Approve the September Financial Report

Made by: Abdulkadir Seconded by: Abdiweli

Discussion:

Vote: Yea: 5 Nay: 0 Abstain:

| Roll Call Vote                                       | Yea/Nay/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)                            |                 |
| 6. Anna Hemstead (Teacher)                           | Y               |

Decision: Motion carries

### VIII. Executive Directors Report

A. Enrollment Projections: 430

**B.** Staffing Updates

C. Other/General

### IX. Treasurer Report

- A. Financials Report and Update
- **B.** Approve financial reports

#### **Action Item:**

**Motion:** Review and approve the financial report for September. Made by: Abdiweli Seconded by: Amina

Discussion:

Vote: Yea: 5 Nay: 0 Abstain:

| Roll Call Vote                                       | Yea/Nay/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)                            |                 |
| 6. Anna Hemstead (Teacher)                           | Y               |

**Decision: Motion carries** 

### X. Policy Review and Approval

### A. Approval of the following school policies

- 1. Dress Code Policy
- 2. School Meals Policy
- 3. Wellness policy
- 4. School Meals Policy
- 5. Student Fees Policy
- **6.** Pledge of Allegiance Policy
- 7. Electronic Funds Transfer policy
- 8. Homeless Students Policy
- 9. Depository Designator Policy
- 10. Lead Testing Policy
- 11. Malicious and Sadistic Conduct Policy

#### **Action Item:**

Motion: Review and approve policies.

Made by: Abdiweli Seconded by: Anna

Discussion:

Vote: Yea: 5 Nay: 0 Abstain:

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|--|-----------------|
| Roll Call Vote                                       | Yea/Nay/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)                            |                 |
| 6. Anna Hemstead (Teacher)                           | Y               |

Decision: Motion carries

### **XI.** Board Training

- A. Board Roles and Responsibilities: Abide by the Bylaws and
- B. Employment Policies and Practices: Safeguard Private Data
  - 1. All Board members will watch the videos
  - 2. All Board members will take and pass the quiz with 100% to receive a certificate
    - a) Abide by the Bylaws Quiz
    - b) Safeguard Private Data Quiz

| New Board Member           | Met Requirement? Took the first training within 6 months of being seated and continued all 3 meetings within 12 months of being seated. |     |  |  |
|----------------------------|---|-----|--|--|
| Anna Hemstead              | Yes   | Yes |  |  |
| Continuing Board<br>Member | Met Requirement? Continuing Board members need to receive at least one training annually.   |     |  |  |

| Abdulkadir Abdalla | Yes |
|--------------------|-----|
| Kaltoon Aded       | Yes |
| Abdiweli Mohamud   | Yes |
| Amina Abdullahi    | Yes |
| Osman Ali          | Yes |
|                    |     |

# XII. Announcements

# XIII. Adjournment

# **Action Item:**

Motion: to adjourn the meeting at \_3:00\_\_ PM. Made by: Seconded by:

Discussion:

Vote: Yea: Nay: Abstain:

| Roll Call Vote                                       | Yea/Nay/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)                            |                 |
| 6. Anna Hemstead (Teacher)                           | Y               |

Decision: