

Lighthouse Academy of Nations Charter School

BOARD MEETING MINUTESFriday, January 25th, 2013 3:00 PM

Location of Meeting: Lighthouse Academy of Nations Charter School

Call to order: The Board Chair, Abdulkadir Abdalla, called to order the meeting at 2:15 PM on Friday, January 25, 2013.

Board Members/Director Present or Absent:

Name	Present/Absent
Abdulkadir Abdalla (Board Chair & Community Member)	P
Treacy Weldon (Secretary & Teacher)	P
Abraham Gadalla (Board Member & Treasurer)	P
Abdinor Warfah (Community Member and Parent)	P
Ahmed Elmi (Executive Director – LAON)	P
Mohamed Mohamoud	P

Guests and Community Members Present:

Name	Position/Role
Farhan Hussein	Lighthouse Academy Co-Director
David Greenberg	Teacher
Robert Procuccini	Representative of financial company.

Lighthouse Academy of Nations School Mission

Lighthouse Academy of Nations is committed to academic excellence and closing the achievement gap by establishing rigorous goals for students, parents, teachers and the school. Lighthouse Academy of Nations values cultural, religious, ethnic, and socioeconomic diversity as central elements of a college preparatory education and provides a caring learning community that prepares students and staff to be responsible world citizens.

Lighthouse Academy of Nations School Vision

The vision of Lighthouse Academy of Nations is for our students to have a steadfast belief in their worth as human beings and that they will be prepared socially and academically to fulfill their aspirations in a changing, challenging world community. We aim to be widely recognized as the most effective model for closing the achievement gap and preparing students for careers in the 21st century.

Agenda and Minutes

Approval of Agenda for minutes of January 2013

Subject	Agenda for January 2013						
Motion	Move to approve the Agenda for January 2013						
Made by	Gadalla			Seconded by	Abdalla		
Discussion	N/A						
Vote	4	Yea	4	Nay	0	Abstain	N/A
Decision	Agenda for January 2013 approved						

Bills and Financial:

Subject	Financial and Enrollment
Motion	Approve bills and financial as of December 2012
Discussion	<p>December 2012</p> <p>Expenses are budgeted but not expensed (teacher salaries)</p> <p>The school's cash is very well off</p> <p>A line of credit will not be necessary. Working on getting a line of credit in case, but will not need to use it.</p> <p>As of December 31, 2012, the revised budget is based on 265 ADM. The school is being paid on a 312 ADM. The state holdback went down to 17.50% with the December 15, 2012 IDEAS payments.</p> <p>20000 worth of bills paid in January 673000 at end of January</p> <p>State revenue is 79% which should get up to 82% after the next month</p> <p>General education, special education and total administration on track</p> <p>Building and Maintenance a little higher because paid a month in advance at 70%</p> <p>A budgeted loss of 18,000 under local revenue</p> <p>The net income for all funds is 673,000</p> <p>Total expenditures were 1,345,424 compared to the budgeted amount of 3,126,799 which represents 43% of the FY13 revised budget</p>

	The financial package was presented and approved						
Made by	Abdallah			Seconded by	Gadalla		
Vote	4	Yea	4	Nay	0	Abstain	N/A
Decision	Approval of bills and financial for January 2013						

Director's Report

Subject	MARSS update
Motion	Strategies to increase recruitment
Discussion	<p>Many people are recruiting for our school</p> <p>We need to put more money toward recruitment in order to generate more students at the school</p> <p>We are using advertisements on television to help increase numbers of students</p> <p>Staff need to brainstorm how we are going to celebrate students of different nationalities</p>

Old Business:

1. QCom

Subject	QCom
	Teacher performance pay
Discussion	<p>Information about performance pay was brought up</p> <p>Should hire someone from outside to help figure this out</p>

2.

Subject	Autism Program
Discussion	The thought of the Autism program as a separate site was brought up

3.

Subject	Line of Credit
Discussion	The line of credit was approved as a last resort last meeting

New Business

1.

Subject	Student Placements						
Motion	Vote to give the administration to authorize to create tests in consultation with the teachers to place the students in appropriate classes.						
Discussion	Administration and teachers will consult to create placement tests						
Made by	Gadalla			Seconded by	Abdalla		
Vote	4	Yea	4	Nay	0	Abstain	N/A
Decision	This was voted on and approved						

2. Technology

Motion	Approve Technology for the school						
Made by	Abdallah			Seconded by	Gadallah		
Discussion	We need someone who is technologically saavy to work and clean the server The server and the lab to come a few hours a month Work remotely to help with the server to keep these servers up						
Vote	4	Yea	4	Nay	0	Abstain	N/A
Decision	The decision was approved to look 150.00 check and 97.10 are approved						

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Adjournment of Meeting

Motion	Adjournment of meeting						
Made by	Abdulkadir Abdalla			Seconded by	Gadalla		
Discussion	Adjournment of board meeting at 3:08p.m.						
Vote	5	Yea	5	Nay	0	Abstain	N/A
Decision	Adjournment of board meeting at 3:08p.m.						

The meeting was adjourned at 3:08PM by Abdulkadir Abdalla the board chair.