

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Friday, May 27, 2016th, from 2:00 PM –3: 28PM

Location of Meeting: Metro Schools, Room 105

I. Call to order: The Board Chair, Abdulkadir Abdalla, called the meeting to order at 2:07 PM on Friday, May 27th, 2016.

II. Board Members Present or Absent:

Name	Present/Absent
Abdulkadir Abdalla (Board Chair & Community Member)	P
Mohamed Mohamud (Vice Chair & Community Member)	P
Aila O'Louglin (Board Treasury & Community Member)	P
Lakisha Witter (Secretary & Sped Coordinator/teacher)	A
Megan Ormseth (Teacher Board Member)	P
Osman Samatar (Parent Board Member)	P
Mohammad Osman (Community Board Member)	P

III. Guests and Community Members Present:

Name	Position/Role
Ahmed Elmi	School Director of Metro Schools
Keillen Curtis	Legal Counsel to the Board
Robert Procaccini, CPA	Finance Representative (Dieci School Finance, LLC)
Steve Oates	Community Member
David Greenberg	Director of Charter Schools Authorization
Aaliyah Hodge	CS Strategic Initiatives Fellow
Daniel L. Jett	Trim Tab Consulting

Metro Schools' Mission

Metro Schools College Prep is committed to academic excellence and closing the achievement gap by establishing rigorous goals for students, parents, teachers and the school. Metro Schools College Prep 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.

Metro Schools' Vision

The vision of Metro Schools 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.

I. Declaration of Conflicts of Interest/Quorum: Quorum was established, no conflicts declared

II. Public Comments: There was not any public comments

III. Approval of Consent Agenda:

April Board Meeting Minutes. The Metro B. Directors approved the consent agenda including the addition of a new agenda item (the director evaluation). It was moved by Mr. Abdulkadir, seconded by Mr. Osman, and approved by a unanimous vote.

IV. Action Items

Monthly financials for April: April Financials were presented by Robert, from Dieci, followed by discussion regarding couple questions raised by Daniel, the board's trainer about the school credit card, the food service fund transfers, and descriptions for reimbursement items. These items were discussed during the meeting as part of the ongoing board training activity.

Next year's budget (2016-2017). The new budget was approved by the board; the motion to approve the next year's budget was moved by Mr. Abdulkadir, seconded by Mr. Mohamed, and it was approved by a unanimous vote.

Food and nutrition Contracts: Mr. Elmi reported that there's not enough food venders applying. We only have two venders, including the current vender. The board approved the postponement of the food vender selection until July board meeting.

Next Year's Calendar: After some discussion, the Metro board approved the next year's school calendar.

June Board Meeting: After discussion and because some board members and Mr. Elmi reported that they are traveling or not available then, the board approved the cancellation the board's June board meeting.

Director Evaluation: Aila O'Loughlin reported that she and her team are missing some data and expect it to be complete by the next board meeting.

V. Reports, Discussion Items and Updates

School Board Training Plans: The board trainer, Daniel mentioned the the training already was taking place during the board meeting as was determined would be the process going forward after the half-day board workshop training session in late April.

Audubon workshop: Mr. Elmi reported that he attended an informational workshop conducted by Audubon; He mentioned the take away was Audubon was clarifying the following: The school contract renewal expectation process, clarification of some documents used by Audubon (Financial, Environmental Education, Academics and operations)

Open positions: Currently, the following positions are open and posted as reported by Mr. Elmi; Sped Teacher, LA teacher, and Middle school Math teacher. In addition, Mr. Elmi reported that the school leadership is looking for math coach.

PBIS Training: Mr. Elmi reported that school hired an official PBIS trainer; the trainer conducted a survey of the system the school is currently using such as school culture and behaviors procedures. The entire school staff will be trained starting the opening week of August 29, 2016. The training will continue through the next year

Graduation: Mr. Elmi reported about 50 students are scheduled to graduate this year. Most of them have been accepted into 2 or 4 year colleges and universities.

Transportation contracts: Mr. Elmi reported there are only two Transportation Companies seeking to transport metro students, including the current transportation company. The board's approval of the transportation company was postponed to the July 29th board meeting.

Board meeting minutes: Who will take the board minutes? The Metro board approved for Mr. Elmi to continue taking the minutes with help of the board trainer, Daniel until the board assigns someone.

Summer School: Mr. Elmi reported that summer school will start in June 20, 2016 until July 20, 2016

Sub-committee-fixing bylaws: The Metro board approved a board subcommittee who will read the entire bylaws and suggest any updates. The board sub-committee contains; Kellien and Daniel L. and Abdalla

During the meeting; Mr. Abdalla informed the board about the letter from David at ACNW requiring that the board of directors provide information regarding the findings and related actions taken by the board of directors. After some discussion, the board voted to adopt the investigation results and discuss the recommendations given by the investigator at the next board meeting; July 29, 2016. Abdalla agreed to communicate with Audubon.

VI. Meeting was Adjourned 3:28

Next Regular Board Meeting: 2:00 p.m., July 29th, 2016, Room-105