

MNIC ELA Campus
300 Industrial Blvd.
Minneapolis, Minnesota 55413

Approved Minutes

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Tuesday, January 12, 2010

4:15 PM

Held at 300 Industrial Blvd., Minneapolis, MN, (East High)

Membership:, Ali Egaale, Jama Farah, Omar Fiqi, Susan Knittel, Kathy Reamer, Nicole Harris, Tracy McFarland, Oliver White, Reggie Womack

Ex officio: Kevin Byrne, Chanda Baker (Smith)

Note: All votes were unanimous unless otherwise stated.

I. CALL TO ORDER: Chair expectations for the meetings and time limits.

Ms. Knittel called the meeting to order at 4:30 PM and gave instructions.

Members Present: Nicole Harris, Omar Fiqi, Susan Knittel, Kathy Reamer; Oliver White;

Absent: Ali Egaale, Jama Farah, Tracy McFarland, Reggie Womack

Others Present: Kevin Byrne, George Sand, Nathaniel Hedke, Lisa Cooney, Don Link, Krissy Wright; List of students attending: Lomi Hashim, Zalika Hashim, Medina Behre, Mohammed Botan, Awal Adam, Murad Said, Raabi Said, Seada Ibrahim, Biniyam Addullah; Stephen Bosacker (Designs for Learning)

Items distributed at the meeting include: Agenda, approved board minutes from November 12, 2009, unapproved board minutes from December 17, 2009, 2008-2009 Annual Report, MNIC School leadership development draft proposal, information about Somali SES,

II. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Ms. Reamer moved to approve the agenda as amended. Mr. White seconded. Passed.

III. REVIEW BOARD MINUTES FROM 12-17-09

Ms. Reamer moved to accept the minutes of December 17, 2009 as presented. Mr. Fiqi seconded. Passed.

IV. BOARD COMMITTEES

No discussion or action.

V. FINANCE AND BUDGET

Ms. Reamer moved to change the ADM estimate for payments from MDE from 400 to 360, as reported at the November 2009 Board Meeting. Seconded by Mr. Fiqi. Passed.

Ms. Reamer moved to correct the motion from 12/17/2009 regarding Corporate Contract Services' donation. The new motion is to accept a donation of \$1000 from Corporate Contract services and to accept a matching donation of \$1000 from Susan Wolf for a new phone system at Unity House. Ms. Harris seconded the motion. Passed.

A. Finance and Budget Report (Kathy Reamer)

Ms. Reamer had no new financial information to present to the Board. She will meet with Susan Airhart and Mr. Byrne on January 13, 2010.

B. Rental arrangement for Somali SES

No action

VI. RECRUITMENT (REGGIE WOMACK AND NICOLE HARRIS)

Ms. Harris reported that student recruitment efforts slowed recently because of the holiday season. Recruitment efforts will increase. Ms. Harris asked for volunteers to help with recruitment at Century Plaza on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Students are invited to assist.

VII. EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS REPORT (KEVIN BYRNE)

A. Enrollment Update (Susan Natala)

Mr. Byrne presented the Enrollment report. Enrollment is 310 at all sites. ADM is 307. Enrollment by Sites: 111 at East High, 21 at Sabathani, 114 at Unity, 64 at UTEC.

Kevin explained the impact of ADM changes on the budget.

B. Introduction of new Social Worker, Carmita McGlory

Not present. Carmita has about 15 years experience as a school social worker.

Mr. White moved to accept the hiring of Carmita McGlory as the new school social worker. Ms. Harris seconded. Passed.

VIII. PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR NON-LICENSED STAFF (KEVIN BYRNE AND STEVE BOSACKER)

A professional development proposal was introduced by Mr. Byrne. Proposal components were explained, including how leadership development would be accomplished and what deliverables would be created. MACS Charter Leader training program was also discussed.

Mr. Fiqi moved to move forward with a professional development plan, board training and staff development for MNIC. Ms. Harris seconded. Passed.

IX. OTHER BUSINESS

X. ADJOURNMENT

The next meeting will be February 9, 2010 at Unity House, 4 PM.

Ms. Reamer moved to adjourn the meeting. Ms. Harris seconded. Passed.

The Meeting adjourned at 5:20 PM

Submitted by Stephen Bosacker, Designs for Learning and Oliver White, MNIC