

SNA Board Meeting Minutes 5-12-2022

1562 Viking Blvd NE, East Bethel, MN

Call the Meeting to order at 6:35 PM by Board Chair Javed Mohammad

Board Members Present: Javed Mohammad, Ahmad Abuatieh, Ahmed Adam, Keely Dutcher

Board Members Absent: Abdul Khadeer

Others Present: Dawn Madland, [Joseph Sovine](#) TAG, Walid Kandil, Eman Ibrahim, Natoli Umer, Tammy Mohr, Tammy Hoffmann, Michelle Larson, Miranda Crockett, Zeenat Ahmed, Magdy Rabeaa

Community Comment: 5-10 minutes:

Comment is the only open forum portion of today's meeting, and is an opportunity to present an issue or concern to the Board of Directors. There is a maximum of ten minutes set aside for Community Comment. Each presentation should be limited to no more than two minutes. If your item needs follow-up from the board and/or staff or will require research etc., a decision may not be made during today's meeting. Thank you for coming.

Adoption of Agenda and Addendum

Motion to add a Board vote for Framework changes was proposed. A discussion of how Board members can connect with staff throughout the school year was added to the agenda. The motion to approve the revised meeting agenda was made by Keely Dutcher and seconded by Ahmed Adam. Motion passes unanimously.

Motion to approve the previous meeting minutes made by Ahmed Adam and seconded by Keely Dutcher. Motion passes unanimously.

Discussion/Action Items

Item No.	Subject	Presenter	Time
1	New Board Member Candidate Introduction: Natoli Umer was introduced to the Board by Javed Mohammad. She gave a short history about herself, work & studies. Javed Mohammad made a proposal to approve her as a board member. Motion to approve Natoli Umer as a SNA Board Member was made by Keely Dutcher and seconded by Ahmed Adam. The motion was passed unanimously.	Javed Mohammad	6:40- 6:50
2	Financial Reports: Review and approval of March and April 2022 financial statements. Motion to approve March & April 2022 financial statements was made by Keely Dutcher and seconded by Ahmed Adam. The motion was passed unanimously. The finance committee will continue to meet on the Tuesday prior to board meetings.	Joseph Sovine	6:50- 7:00

3	<p>Budget Revision for FY2022 and budget approval for FY 2023: A motion to approve a revise budget for FY 2022 was made by Ahmed Adam and seconded by Keely Dutcher. The motion passed unanimously.</p>	Joseph Sovine	7:00 -7:10
4	<p>Review and approve new Bylaw Language: Conflict of Interest language was added to the Bylaws and reviewed by the Board. A motion to approve the added Bylaws language was made by Keely Dutcher and seconded by Ahmed Adam. The motion passed unanimously.</p>	Dawn Madland	7:10- 7:15
5	<p>Review and approve 22-23 School Calendar: Board reviewed the proposed school calendar for 2022-23. A motion to approve the school calendar was made by Javed Mohammad and seconded by Ahmed Adam. The motion passed unanimously.</p>	Dawn Madland	7:15- 7:20
6	<p>Executive Director Search Committee update: Magdy presented Eman Ibrahim to the Board as a candidate for the Executive Director position at Star of the North Academy. Ms. Eman gave an overview of her education, work experience and philosophy of teaching. A motion to approve Ms. Eman as Executive Director was made by Ahmed Adam and seconded by Keely Dutcher. The motion passed unanimously.</p>	Magdy Rabeaa, SPS CMO	7:20- 7:35
7	<p>Operations Report: SNA will continue to contract with NorthStar Bus Lines for SY2022-23. Indigo will continue as the SpEd contractor. SNA will have a new SpEd director from Indigo for SY2022-23.</p> <p>Walid reported he is working to get roof repairs done. He needs to find out why the past claim was denied in order to move forward with the project.</p> <p>Dawn reported that SNA received a \$3000 donation from the Holy Land foundation for outside/playground improvements.</p> <p>SNA received \$15,000 from MDR to help improve outside learning space.</p>	Dawn Madland/ Walid Kandil	7:35- 7:45
8.	<p>Academic Report: Our current enrollment is at 145. We still have families needing to return their Intent to Return forms. Kindergarten enrollment is currently at 32. SNA will have two Kindergarten classrooms for next SY 2022-23.</p> <p>Next week will start NWEA testing for grades 1-8.</p>	Dawn Madland	7:45-7:55

	<p>MCA testing finished up last week. Overall 13 students exceeded MCE expectations.</p> <p>SNA is considering to offer a childcare option for Friday afternoons until 4:30pm for next SY 2022-23. It will be paid for by families and they will need to pick up children.</p> <p>The Parent Satisfaction Survey showed that families are overall very satisfied with Star of the North Academy for their child(ren). The survey also showed parents would like to have art, music, sports and/or computer science offered.</p>		
9.	<p>Board Member Connection: Keely proposed that once a trimester a Board Member could do a learning walk & attend a staff meeting. Board members can sign up to attend SNA events throughout the SY.</p>	Keely Dutcher	7:55-8:00

Motion for adjournment was made by Keely Dutcher and Seconded by Ahmed Adam.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 PM

Next Board Meeting will July 21st at 6:30pm