

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

June 2, 2015: 6:00 PM

Location of Meeting: Tesfa International School

Call to order: The Board Chair, Tanya Heifort, called to order the meeting at 6:02 PM on June 2, 2015.

Board Members/Director Present or Absent:

Name	Present/Absent
Tanya Heifort (Board Chair)	Present (Arrived at 6:05pm)
Helen Fisk (Board Treasurer)	Present
Julian Stanke (Board Secretary)	Present
Becky Magnuson (Director and ExOfficio)	Present
Emily Schmidt (Community Member, Licensed Teacher)	Present
Emily Snodgrass (Community Member)	Present
Midi Hansen (Community Member, Licensed Teacher)	Present (Arrived at 6:04pm)
Dillon Donnelly (Community Member)	Present
Lauren Ryan (Assistant Director and ExOfficio)	Present
Christina Ticer (Board Member)	Present
Mike McFadden (Board Member)	Absent

Guests and Community Members Present:

Name	Position/Role
Stephanie Olsen	Authorizer Representative -VOA

Tesfa International School

Mission: Tesfa International School is committed to providing an equitable and empowering education for all. Our scholars will engage in a transdisciplinary curriculum supported by conceptual and inquiry based learning. Side-by-side with dedicated educators, scholars will develop the knowledge, skills, and characteristics necessary for active citizenship throughout the world.

Vision: Our students will be prepared for a successful transition to the most rigorous and challenging middle school programs. Through their experience at Tesfa, students will be held to the highest of standards both academically and socially, to prepare the students for college and careers, as well as with the leadership skills required of active and productive citizens in the 21st century. Through access and equity, students will follow a pathway to success for them and their communities.

AGENDA and MINUTES

Subject	Approve Agenda for June 2, 2015.					
Motion	Motion to approve the agenda as presented, with the amendment to item numbers 4e and 5b.					
Made by	Emily Snodgrass	Seconded		Emily Schmidt		
Discussion	None					
Vote	Yea	6	Nay	0	Abstain	0
Decision	The motion unanimously passed.					

Subject	Review draft Minutes from May 5, 2015						
Motion	Motion to approve draft minutes from May 5, 2015 as presented.						
Made by	Christina Ticer	Seconded		Dillon Donnelly			
Discussion	None						
Vote		Yea	6	Nay	0	Abstain	0
Decision	The motion passed unanimously.						

**Please note the arrival of two board members in the attendance log.*

Subject	Addition of Agenda Item						
Motion	Motion to add the offering of director contract.						
Made by	Helen Fisk	Seconded		Midi Hansen			
Discussion	None						
Vote		Yea	8	Nay	0	Abstain	0
Decision	The motion passed unanimously.						

FINANCIAL REPORT

Subject	Financial Report						
Motion	Motion to accept the financial report as presented.						
Made by	Emily Schmidt	Seconded		Midi Hansen			
Discussion	None						
Vote		Yea	8	Nay	0	Abstain	0
Decision	Motion passed unanimously.						

Subject	Donations						
Motion	Motion to accept the donations as presented.						
Made by	Helen Fisk	Seconded		Emily Snodgrass			
Discussion	None						
Vote		Yea	8	Nay	0	Abstain	0
Decision	Motion passed unanimously.						

Subject	Preliminary Draft Budget for 2015-2016						
Motion	Motion to approve the budget for 2015-16 as presented with the amendment to the cam fees to the proper category.						
Made by	Helen Fisk	Seconded		Midi Hansen			
Discussion							
Vote		Yea	8	Nay	0	Abstain	0
Decision	Motion passed unanimously.						

Subject	Personnel Recommendations						
Motion	Motion to approve the hiring of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Kia Brittan as a 1.0 F.T.E. classroom teacher ▪ Rebecca Laird as a 1.0 F.T.E. classroom teacher ▪ Justine Tomlinson as 1.0 F.T.E. Special Education Teacher ▪ Nikki Loria as a 1.0 F.T.E. Classroom Teacher ▪ Kamel Retnani 1.0 F.T.E. as the Arabic Language Teacher. 						

Made by	Emily Snodgrass	Seconded	Dillon Donnelly				
Discussion	None						
Vote		Yea	8	Nay	0	Abstain	0
Decision	Motion passed unanimously.						

Subject	Food Service Provider						
Decision	Contract with Done Right Foods for School Nutrition Program catering services for the 2015-2016 school year.						

Subject	Statement of Assurances						
Motion	Motion to adhere to the statement of assurances as presented in the board packet.						
Made by	Midi Hansen	Seconded	Helen Fisk				
Discussion	None						
Vote		Yea	8	Nay	0	Abstain	0
Decision	Motion passed unanimously.						

Lauren left the room at 6:54pm.
 Lauren returned at 6:55pm.

NEW BUSINESS

Subject	Identify Official for External user Access Recertification System						
Motion	Motion to approve Becky Magnuson as the Identified official with authority to grant access to the external user access recertification system.						
Made by	Helen Fisk	Seconded	Julian Stanke				
Discussion	None						
Vote		Yea	8	Nay	0	Abstain	0
Decision	Motion passed unanimously.						

Subject	2015-16 School Board Calendar						
Discussion	The 2015-16 Board meetings will be the second Monday of every month starting on July 13,2015 at Tesfa International School.						

DIRECTOR UPDATE

Subject	Director update from Becky Magnuson and Lauren Ryan						
Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enrollment • Funding • Teacher interviews • Curriculum and Materials Purchasing • Marketing and Outreach • Upcoming Dates to Note: June 3, June 8, June 16, July 18 						

AUTHORIZER INPUT

Subject	Stephanie Olsen
Discussion	Authorizer checked in and discussed current topics.

ADDITIONAL AGENDA ITEM

Subject	Director Contract for 2015-2016						
Motion	Motion to offer Becky Magnuson a renewed contract as the Director of Tesfa International School at the stated salary rate in the proposed budget.						
Made by	Helen Fisk		Seconded		Christina Ticer		
Discussion	None						
Vote		Yea	8	Nay	0	Abstain	0
Decision	Motion passed unanimously.						

POLICY UPDATES

Subject	Policies 695 and 593						
Motion	Motion to approve the adoptions of policies 695 World's Best Work Force, and 593 Read Well By Third Grade as presented.						
Made by	Julian Stanke		Seconded		Emily Schmidt		
Discussion	None						
Vote		Yea	8	Nay	0	Abstain	0
Decision	Motion passed unanimously.						

BOARD PERSONNEL

Subject	Board Resignation						
Discussion	Emily Snodgrass resigned from the board, as she is moving out of state. Her contributions and expertise have been greatly appreciated. Julian Stanke is resigning from the board effective June 3, 2015.						

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Subject	None						
Discussion	None						

ADJOURNMENT

Motion	Motion to adjourn at 7:31						
Made by	Emily Snodgrass		Seconded		Julian Stanke		
Discussion	None						
Vote		Yea	8	Nay	0	Abstain	0
Decision	Motion passed unanimously.						