



TESFA INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL
Global Minds with Minnesota Hearts

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

6:00 p.m. February 25, 2018

Meeting Location: 1555 40th Avenue NE, 2nd Floor, Columbia Heights, MN 55421

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

Called to order at 6:06 by Pat Exner, Board Chair

2.0 APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion to approve agenda.

Motion by: Abby Hendricks Seconded by: John Gronenk

Vote: Yea: 6 Nay: 0

3.0 COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS PRESENT

Visitors attending the meeting who wish to address the school board may do so at this time.

4.0 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT

- A number of snow days - we remain over required hours
- Parent representative, Hussein Ahmed resigned board seat due to daughter leaving school

5.0 APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA

Consent items, February 25, 2019 – School Board Agenda as warranted including approval of:

- Minutes – Regular Meeting Minutes of December 17, 2018
- Personnel Recommendations -
- Payment of Bills and Acknowledgment of Wire Transfer Report
- Monthly Financials

The Executive Director recommends the School Board approve the Consent Items as detailed in the enclosure.

Motion to approve consent agenda.

Motion by: John Gronenk Seconded by: Antoninette Monster

Vote: Yea: 6 Nay: 0



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6.0 Presentations and Discussion Items

6.01 Parent Survey - *presented by Jonas Beugen, Director*

- Generally positive feedback
- Greatest concern are busses (concerns range from behavior, to bus being on time, to interaction with drivers)

6.02 Programming Options & Recommendations - *presented by Jonas Beugen, Director*

- IB PYP (field trips, POI)
- PYP authorization (consider expense, think about commitment)
- Social emotional learning
- Digital learning (1 to 1)
- EnVOY - classroom management strategy
- Play focused kindergarten
- Dual Spanish Immersion Path
- 3-5 year old daycare with Kindergarten Readiness Elements
- Service Learning Program

6.03 Dual Immersion Possibilities - Global Immersion Network Consultants (GINC)
- presented by Lucilla Davila

6.04 Comprehensive Support Update - School Improvement Plan
- presented by Jen Andrew Van Horn

- Highlights of the strategic directions teamwork this far in the process
- Selection of evidence-based strategies process (ELL strategy and Math strategy selected based on data)
- Comprehensive Needs Assessment and Improvement Plan is due to MDE on 3/1/2019

6.05 Winter NWEA MAP Math & Reading Growth - *moved to March 18th meeting*

6.06 FY18 Audit - *moved audit presentation to March 18th*

7.0 ACTION ITEMS

7.01 FY19 February Budget Revision

7.02 Fund Balance #703

7.03 Corporate Borrowing Resolution



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Motion to approve action items.

Motion by: Tony Monster Seconded by: Abby Hendricks

Vote: Yea: 6 Nay: 0

8.0 VOA authorizer input/update

9.0 ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn.

Motion by: Amir Orandi Seconded by: John Joneck Vote: Yea: 6 Nay: 0

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