Monday, October 19, 2026
Board Minutes
5:00p.m.
Meeting Location: 6201 Noble Avenue North, Brooklyn Center, MN 55429
[October Virtual Meeting Link]

Mission
Through a global-minded education, we empower and prepare all students with the empathy, knowledge, and skills to take risks and pursue goals that contribute meaningfully to their community.

1.0 CALL TO ORDER -
TIME: 5:07

Name	October
James Cosgrove	x
Malaney Peterson	x
Michael Porter	x
Paige Lund	x
Badrudin Aden	
Maren Schultz	x

Guests and Community Members Present:

Name	Position/Role
Joe Aliperto	

2.0 CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATIONS

3.0 APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by: Paige Lund Seconded by: Michael Porter

James Cosgrove	Yea:	x	Nay
Michael Porter	Yea:	x	Nay
Paige Lund	Yea:	x	Nay
Malaney Peterson	Yea:	x	Nay
Badrudin Aden	Yea:		Nay
Maren Schultz	Yea:	x	Nay:

4.0 COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS PRESENT:

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5.0 APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA

The consent agenda consists of routine matters of business taken as one motion. Board members may request to remove from the consent agenda any items they believe warrants board discussion or a separate vote. These consent items include:

- September Meeting Minutes- September Minutes
- 2026-2027 Annual Charter School Assurances

Motion by: James Cosgrove Seconded by: Michael Porter

James Cosgrove	Yea:	x	Nay
Michael Porter	Yea:	x	Nay
Paige Lund	Yea:	x	Nay
Malaney Peterson	Yea:	x	Nay
Badrudin Aden	Yea:		Nay
Maren Schultz	Yea:	x	Nay:

6.0 MONTHLY FINANCIALS

6.01 2026-2027 TLSA Budget Revision

- FY27 Revised Budget

We lost some students from moving out of our area. None left because of our academics, a few did because of a one time community issue. Marketing didn't work to gain more than a few students. We are below the initial budget of 170. The revised budget needs to be 140, which is approximately a $300,000 difference. Jason and Joe have met multiple times over the past few weeks to figure out the least harmful way to reduce the budget for students and staff. We were over budgeted for parent transportation and reduced there with no penalty to the school (approx $5,000). We also cut a marketing stipend for summer that wasn't used ($6,000). We cut down to 4 buses and 1 van, plus the staff who drive 2 school vans, which is a significant cost savings. For staffing, we never filled a 1.0 second 4th grade and a 0.6 K-1 teacher position, so those got cut from the new budget. There are a few other smaller reductions as well, but we will still need to reduce staff that are currently in the building to make the budget work. It is a different but related issue, but we also need to reduce our FTE in special education based on the number of students with IEPs and special education needs to be in line with state requirements. We overall need to shift 1 FTE out of special education to general education and then reduce a total of 2 FTE in general education. The revised budget reflects these cuts.

Motion by: Michael Porter Seconded by: Maren Schultz

James Cosgrove	Yea:	x	Nay
Michael Porter	Yea:	x	Nay
Paige Lund	Yea:	x	Nay
Malaney Peterson	Yea:	x	Nay
Badrudin Aden	Yea:		Nay

Maren Schultz	Yea:	x	Nay:

7.0 PRESENTATIONS AND DISCUSSION ITEMS

7.01 Executive Director's Report:

- Enrollment: 131 K-8, 40 Daycare
- Weighted ADM: 135
- MDE Food Nutrition Services Review Site Visit: Wednesday, October 28th

We are waiting on two students' enrollment paperwork that are not reflected in the 131. Daycare is full at 40 registered that are either funded or waitlisted (paperwork completed). Now we will use our daycare waitlist policy - date of application with sibling preference. We technically could open another room eventually but it isn't a focus right now. We could also open an afterschool program for daycare for prek-8 at some point. We get an administrative food review every 3 years. Systems are being checked to be sure that they are in line, especially for food counts for students, claims, records, and is working with Done Right Foods to ensure compliance and a good review. Results will be reported and shared publicly after exiting the review.

7.02 Policy Review- 1st Reading

- 406 Public and Private Personnel Data
- 407 Employee Right to Know

8.0 ACTION ITEMS

8.01 Policy Review- 2nd Reading

- 402 Disability Nondiscrimination
- 403 Discipline, Suspension, and Dismissal

Motion by: Maren Schultz Seconded by: Michael Porter

James Cosgrove	Yea:	x	Nay
Michael Porter	Yea:	x	Nay
Paige Lund	Yea:	x	Nay
Malaney Peterson	Yea:	x	Nay
Badrudin Aden	Yea:		Nay
Maren Schultz	Yea:	x	Nay:

9.0 NOVEMBER AGENDA ITEMS

- Board Calendar
- Policy Review Calendar

10.0 ADJOURNMENT

TIME: 6:25pm

Motion by:	Paige Lund		Seconded by:	Maren Schultz
James Cosgrove	Yea:	x	Nay	
Michael Porter	Yea:	x	Nay	
Paige Lund	Yea:	x	Nay	
Malaney Peterson	Yea:	x	Nay	
Badrudin Aden	Yea:		Nay	
Maren Schultz	Yea:	x	Nay	