

NEW CENTURY SCHOOL
Board Meeting Minutes June 15, 2023, 2:30
Location: 1380 Energy Lane (2nd Fl. Conference room) St. Paul, MN 55107
Online: Zoom

Members present: Ellie Holte (Board Chair), Jessica Tallman (Secretary), Isse Abdi (Community Member), Ahmed Anshur (Parent/Treasurer)

Members absent: Abdalla Nuno (Community Member)

Guests present: Ahmed Ali (Executive Director, Didi Kotile (Academic Director), Deema Sorri (Human Resources Manager)

Agenda

1. Call to Order

A Quorum was established and the meeting was called to order at 2:35 pm.

2. Changes to and Approval of Agenda (A)

Motion to approve made by Abdi, seconded by Tallman, unanimous

3. Review/Approval of Minutes (A)

Motion to approve made by Tallman, seconded by Abdi, unanimous

4. Conflict of Interest Declaration

No

5. Open Forum

None

6. Executive Director's Report

a. Program updates (I)

b. SY 2023/24 plans (I)

i. Academic programs, enrollment goals, staff, student services, etc.

ii. High school, Bloomington site, online, summer

Anticipated enrollment will remain approximately the same for 2023/24. High school will expand to grade 11, however, new enrollment will be limited to Grade 8 NCA students moving to Grade 9. Staffing – while NXA has a high retention rate, it has proved to be more difficult than in the past to recruit new staff. Summer school will be held for students with special needs and PreK students. Leadership team has been meeting regularly to plan for next year at both sites. While we are approved to be an online learning program provider, NCA will defer that discussion to next year.

c. MDE/IOWA Authorization (A)

No action necessary – MDE has changed the rules so that Board approval is no longer needed.

7. Curriculum Committee Report

a. Year-end curriculum and assessment updates (I)

Graduations were held at the end of the academic year. End of year curriculum and assessment data review is in progress. MCA results will be available from MDE in August.

8. Finance Committee Report

- a. Monthly financial report (A)

Motion to approve by Abdi, seconded by Anshur, unanimous

- b. FY 23 Revised Budget (A)

Motion to approve by Tallman, seconded by Abdi, unanimous

- c. FY 24 Budget (A)

Motion to approve by Abdi, seconded by Anshur, unanimous

- d. Grants and Donations

Four new grants have been approved:

Grow Your Own

ADSIS

Pathway grant for PreK

Summer PreK grant

9. Development & Facilities Committee Report

- a. Facility plans and updates (I)

- b. Monthly enrollment reports (506) (I)

10. Governance Committee Report

- a. ED PDP Plan 2022-23 (A)

Motion to approve made by Abdi, seconded by Tallman, unanimous

- b. Board Policies List Review (I)

11. Staff and Contractors

- a. 2023/24 Service Providers/Independent Contractors (A)

- b. 2023/24 Staff (A)

Both of these items were approved at the May Board meeting.

12. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 3:15