

**NEW CENTURY SCHOOL**  
Board Meeting Minutes  
January 23, 2023. 3:30  
Location: 1380 Energy Lane,  
St. Paul, MN 55108

Members present: Ellie Holte (Board Chair), Jessica Tallman (Secretary), Ahmed Anshur (Treasurer), Aaliyah (Parent)

Members absent: Isse Abdi (Community Member)

Guests Present: Dido Kotile (Compass Academy Director), Travis Berends (Financial Manager), Deema Sorri (Human Resources/Business Manager), Ahmed Ali (Executive Director)

**Agenda**

1. Meeting called to Order at 3:38 P.M.

Motion to approved made by Tallman, unanimous.

2. Changes to and Approval of Agenda (A)
3. Review/Approval of Minutes (A)

Motion to approve made by Anshur, seconded by Tallman, unanimous.

4. Conflict of Interest Declaration

None

5. Open Forum
6. Executive Director's report

Second quarter successfully ended on January 10th. Review of all school programs is in place and will be presented to the board soon.

- a. District updates (I)

Updates on digital learning days, general operations, and District management

- b. Other updates shared
  - i. Academic programs, student enrollment, staff, student services, etc
  - ii. High school, Compass, Online, Summer

7. Curriculum Committee Report

- a. NCS completed Fastbridge testing. Compass Academy is continuing Fastbridge Screening Testing and will begin WIDA testing next week. Staff professional development updates (I)

8. Finance Committee Report

Regular financial report presented. Special Education & Title finances are where they should be at this point in the school year. Continuing to monitor cash flow

- a. Monthly financial report (A)

Motion to approve made by Tallman, seconded by Anshur, unanimous.

- b. Grants and donations (I)

The MDE Pipeline grant is in progress.

9. Development & Facilities Committee Report
  - a. Brief facility planning updates provided

Facility exploratory Adhlc committee will be sharing updates on long term facility needs and plans at next month's meeting.

- b. District student enrollment updates (762) (I)

10. Governance Committee Report

- a. Board retreat plans (I)

There will be an annual board retreat after March's Board meeting.

- b. Bylaws review (I)

Current NCS bylaws reviewed for updates

11. Staff and Independent Contractors

None.

12. New Business

The idea of creating some incentive for low usage of PTO days has been brought up. There will be budgeting for this implemented toward the end of the year.

13. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 4:10