

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

December 14, 2015: 6:00 PM

Location of Meeting: Tesfa International School

Call to order: The Board Chair, Tanya Heifort, called to order the meeting at 6:00pm December 14, 2015.

Board Members/Director Present or Absent:

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

Guests and Community Members Present:

Name	Position/Role
N/A	VOA Authorizer Representative

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	Approval of Agenda						
Motion	Motion to amend the agenda to include item 4F, and remove old business.						
Made by	Mike McFadden	Seconded		Emily Schmidt			
Discussion	None						
Vote		Yea	6	Nay	0	Abstain	0
Decision	Motion passed unanimously.						

Subject	Accept the Minutes						
Motion	Motion to accept the minutes as presented from .						
Made by	Emily Schmidt	Seconded		Dillon Donnelly			
Discussion	None						
Vote		Yea	3	Nay	0	Abstain	3
Decision	Motion passed.						

FINANCIAL REPORT

Subject	Approval of Financial Report						
Motion	Motion to approve the Financial Report as presented.						
Made by	Dillon Donnelly	Seconded		Emily Schmidt			
Discussion	None						
Vote		Yea	6	Nay	0	Abstain	0
Decision	Motion passed unanimously.						

Subject	Donations						
Motion	Motions to approve and accept the donations.						
Made by	Midi Hansen	Seconded		Mike McFadden			
Discussion	None						
Vote		Yea	6	Nay	0	Abstain	0
Decision	Motion passed unanimously.						

Subject	Personnel Recommendations						
Motion	Motion to approve the personnel recommendation as presented for Ayan Isse.						
Made by	Mike McFadden	Seconded		Emily Schmidt			
Discussion	None						
Vote		Yea	6	Nay	0	Abstain	0
Decision	Motion passed unanimously.						

Subject	Capital Bank and Trust						
Motion	Motion to approve CB&T as the Tesfa International School Custodian.						
Made by	Mike McFadden	Seconded		Dylan Donnelly			
Discussion	None						
Vote		Yea	6	Nay	0	Abstain	0
Decision	Motion passed unanimously.						

Subject	Policy 220
Discussion	Board reviewed school board goals and policy in accordance with policy 220.

DIRECTOR UPDATE

Subject	Director Update – Becky Magnuson and Lauren Ryan
Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enrollment Update • Assessment Update: Fall NWEA Testing Results • Funder breakfast and future fundraising efforts • Marketing and Outreach; Northside Education Alliance, Community Outreach, Tesfa families • Technology Rollout • PYP Update • Board Training • VOA Visit

NEW BUSINESS

Subject	N/A
Discussion	

AUTHORIZER INPUT

Subject	N/A
Discussion	

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Subject	No Public Present
Discussion	

ADJOURNMENT

Motion	Motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:20pm						
Made by	Julian Stanke	Seconded	Emily Schmidt				
Discussion							
Vote		Yea	6	Nay	0	Abstain	0
Decision	Motion passed unanimously.						