

BOARD MEETING MINUTES- DRAFT

Monday February 13, 2017 6:00 PM

Location of Meeting: Tesfa International School

Call to order: The Board Chair, Tanya Heifort, called to order the meeting at 6:01 PM on February 13, 2017.

Board Members/Director Present or Absent:

Name	Present/Absent
Tanya Heifort (Board Chair/Community Member/Licensed Teacher)	Present
Christina Ticer (Board Member/Community Member)	Absent
Julian Stanke (Board Chair/Community Member/Licensed Teacher)	Present
Emily Schmidt (Community Member, Licensed Teacher)	Present
Midi Hansen (Community Member, Licensed Teacher)	Present
Dillon Donnelly (Community Member)	Present
Lauren Ryan (Co-Director, Ex-Officio)	Present
Mike McFadden (Board Member)	Present
Nicole Nelson-Starks (Co-Director, Ex-Officio)	Present
Amanda Jagdeo (Licensed Teacher)	Present

Guests and Community Members Present:

Name	Position/Role
	VOA Authorizer Representative
Nancy Gerber	PYP Consultant

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 Agendas					
Motion	Motion to amend the agenda.					
Made by	Mike McFadden	Seconded	Dillon Donnelly			
Discussion	None					
Vote	Yea	7	Nay	0	Abstain	0
Decision	Motion passed unanimously.					

Subject	Accept the Minutes						
Motion	Motion to accept the minutes as presented from January 9, 2017 with the change of adding Nicole and Amanda to the attendance.						
Made by	Dillon Donnelly			Seconded	Emily Schmidt		
Discussion	None						
Vote		Yea	6	Nay	0	Abstain	1
Decision	Motion passed.						

Board Training – PYP with Nancy Gerber

Subject							
Motion							
Made by				Seconded			
Discussion	None						
Vote		Yea		Nay	0	Abstain	0
Decision	Motion passed unanimously.						

FINANCIAL REPORT

Subject	Financial Report						
Motion	Motion to accept the Financial Report as presented.						
Made by	Midi Hansen			Seconded	Mike McFadden		
Discussion	None						
Vote		Yea	7	Nay	0	Abstain	0
Decision	Motion passed unanimously.						

Subject	Loan Application						
Motion	Motion to approve the loan application and authorize Nicole to request the holdback amount as presented.						
Made by	Mike McFadden			Seconded	Dillon Donnelly		
Discussion	None						
Vote		Yea	7	Nay	0	Abstain	0
Decision	Motion passed unanimously.						

Subject	Personnel Recommendation						
Motion	Motion to approve the personnel recommendations as presented.						
Made by	Amanda Jagdeo			Seconded	Dillon Donnelly		
Discussion	None						
Vote		Yea	7	Nay	0	Abstain	0
Decision	Motion passed unanimously.						

DIRECTOR UPDATE

Subject	Director Update – Lauren Ryan, Nicole Nelson-Sparks						
Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enrollment and Marketing Update • Building Update • NWEA Assessment Data • PYP Update 						

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • First Grade Position Update • Upcoming Events
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AUTHORIZER INPUT

Subject	None
Discussion	No authorizer present.

POLICY UPDATES

Subject	Policy 514 – Bullying Prohibition Policy; Policy 520 – Student Surveys						
Motion	Motion to approve policies 514 and 520 as present in the board packet.						
Made by	Mike McFadden	Seconded	Emily Schmidt				
Discussion	None						
Vote		Yea	7	Nay	0	Abstain	0
Decision							

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Subject	
Discussion	

ADJOURNMENT

Motion	Motion to adjourn the school board meeting at 8:00pm						
Made by	Midi Hansen	Seconded	Dillon Donnelly				
Discussion							
Vote		Yea	7	Nay	0	Abstain	0
Decision	Motion passed unanimously.						