



PREPARATION UNDERSTANDING GOVERNANCE

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HS Board Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, March 19, 2024, 6:00 P.M.

Hennepin Schools

1001 East 46th Street, Mpls., MN 55407

HS MISSION: To develop students who are Confident Learners, Cross-Cultural Navigators, and Caring Community Builders and to provide all students with the knowledge, skills and character to graduate from high school and the confidence to continue on and successfully complete their post-secondary education.

HS BOARD EXPECTATIONS: Be respectful of time. Be open to communication. Be transparent to students and families. Make intentional changes. Set time limits. Be prepared.

HS BOARD 23-24 BOARD GOALS:

Confident Learners:

- Commit to high academic expectations and improve academic achievement by at least 10 percentage points overall on all three MCA assessments by centering on Data Driven Instruction
 - 10% increase in MCA Reading from 28% to 38% for each grade level tested
 - 10% increase in MCA Mathematics from 17% to 27% for each grade level tested
 - 10% increase in MCA Science from 9% to 19% for each grade level tested
- School directors will report on academic achievement and growth via formal curriculum reports on the NWEA, Aimsweb, and MCA IIIs twice a year.

Caring Community Builders:

- Ensure School's financial stability through recent vendor transition, including maintaining a 25% fund balance the entire year.

Cross Cultural Navigators:

- Evaluate the relationships of the School with staff and with families using the Insight surveys in January (staff) and May (families).
- Evaluate the relationships of the School with the broader community through anecdotal information reported at the board level.

Public Zoom Webinar Link: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/88915583092>



CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

6:01 p.m.

- Dr. Charlayne Myers
- Mr. John Slavik
- Mahdi Nur
- Christina Lacina
- Ms. Kaltun Abdi (6:06)
- Alma Iglesias (6:06 zoom)

Absent:

- Khalid Omar

OTHER ATTENDEES

- Dr. Julie Henderson, HS Executive Director
- Shannon Benalshaikh, USFAAF representative

APPROVAL OF MEETING AGENDA – 5 Minutes

Motion to accept the March Board Agenda - Motion by Mr. Nur, Seconded by Ms. Lacina - Motion passed

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES – 10 Minutes

Motion to approve the regular board meeting minutes of February 20, 2023 - Motion by Ms. Lacina, Seconded by Ms. Abdi - approved with 1 abstention.

NEW BUSINESS– 10 minutes

Friends of Education Contract Renewal Update

- Needs to be sent in a signed by June 30th 2024
- Concerns about dipping test scores and findings on the audit under the building company.
- 3 year renewal, with a chance for additional two years if scores are increased.
- Board Assurances, Proof of Insurance, and Exhibits are the 3 things required for completion

OLD BUSINESS– 15 minutes

2024-25 Enrollment/Recruitment Update

- 13 kg students, and 14 other students in other grades
 - Focus on 2nd, 3rd, 4th grade to add 3 class
- C-Cap funding for Pre-k
 - 80k salaries and 20k food
- Mr. Yusuf Mohamed is looking into this.



- School Mint to increase internet presence
- A few other advertising options are out there as well.

PreK and 9-12 Expansion Overview

- Biggest challenge is 2023 test scores
- Job descriptions were created
- 5 year budget
- Documentation has been submitted to Friends of Education
 - Entire process for both applications takes 18 months total.

FINANCE REPORT– 20 Minutes, *Julie Henderson, Shannon Benalshaikh, USFAAF*

Review February Finance Reports

- Cash =3,289,635.41
- Due from MDE 60,397.44
- Liabilities = 124,439.86
- Fund 1 = 49% Rev. and 59% Exp.
- Fund 2 = 26% Rev. and 50% Exp.
- ADM = 486 budgeted 460
 - Will be adjusted after MARS report
- Federal funds will be received in March (about 500K)
- Transportation is right on budget
 - Consulting fees will be removed eventually
- Estimated Fund balance is 27.8%
- Estimated cash as of June 30th 2,760,087.17

Motion to accept February bills paid

- Motion by Ms. Abdi, Seconded by Mr. Slavik - Motion passed

Motion to accept any deposited checks - None

UPDATE ON ORGANIZATIONAL MATTERS – 10 minutes

Individual Board Member Reports

- Summer School update and After School Program update by Mr. Slavik

Board Member Committee Reports

Executive Committee Report

- Dr. Myers shared about the Exec. Meeting last month.
 - One voting member per family
 - Staff who are parents can vote as one or the other, not both.
 - Composition of the board
 - at least 5 non-related members
 - 1 licensed teacher at school
 - 1 parent of student enrolled
 - 1 community member

Finance Committee Report



- Met multiple times last week to finalize a working budget for 24-25 school year.
- Will present the budget next month.

PUBLIC COMMENT– 10 Minutes, *members of the public***

- None

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT – 15 Minutes, *Julie Henderson*

Current Enrollment and Recruitment Update

- 190 M.S.
- 237 Elem.
 - Lost 12 students

Bellwether Update

- Strategic plan will be ready to be presented to board next month
 - School Culture
 - Disruption and Defiance are to most common write ups
 - Literacy focus on K-8
 - 5-8 Math interventions

Staffing Update

- Fully Staffed

MOTION TO ADJOURN

Motion to adjourn 6:57 pm Motion by Ms. Lacina, Seconded by Ms. Abdi - Motion passed

Upcoming Events:

March 26, Ready, Set, Smile

March 29, No School

April 8-12, Spring Break

April 16, HS Board Meeting, 6 pm, Conference Room

April 17, Parent Academy

April 18, Spring Picture Day

April 27, Parent Advisory Meetings, 10 am, Conference Room

April 29-May 3, MCA-II Reading and Math, Grades 3-8



2023-24 Hennepin Schools Ongoing Board Training Topics

November 2023 Hennepin Schools' School Insurance Package Presentation
March 2024 Hennepin Schools' Expansion Overview

2023-24 Hennepin Schools School Board Meetings

August 15, 2023
September 19, 2023
October 17, 2023
November 21, 2023
December 19, 2023
January 16, 2024
February 20, 2024
March 19, 2024
April 16, 2024
May 21, 2024
June 18, 2024
*No meeting in July

Location: All meetings will take place at 6:00 pm at the HS Conference Room, Room 141, at
1001 E. 46th Street, Minneapolis, MN., 55407

Time: 6:00 pm

This meeting schedule was approved by the HS Board on August 15, 2023

The board meets on the third Tuesday of each month, except those months marked with an asterisk ()

****Public Comment Procedure:** Please email the HS Board President/Chair at publiccomment@hennepinschools.org *at least 24 hours prior to the regularly scheduled board meeting*, to request a 2 minute slot during the Public Comment section of the board meeting. Spaces are limited, and it is first come first serve.