



Board Meeting
Tuesday January 30, 2023
5:00p.m.

We serve a diverse student body to succeed in a rigorous college preparatory program. Our mission is to ensure that all students graduate with the skills to achieve in college, to contribute positively to society, and to be accepting of all people.

Call to Order

Meeting was called to order at 5:04pm

Attendance

Members: Rich Holst, Lisa Dennis, Erin Enquist, Adam Gooder, Aida Faye

Others: Sawsen Natsheh (University of St. Thomas Authorizer liaison), Betsy Lueth (Executive Director)

Reading of the Mission and Vision

Read by Adam Gooder

Approval of Agenda

A motion to approve the agenda with the addition of action item removing Mali Wampach from board position was made by Dennis and seconded by Enquist. With 5 yes votes, motion passed.

Approval of Board Minutes from Prior Meeting

A motion to approve the minutes of the November meeting was made by Gooder and seconded by Faye. With 5 yes votes, motion passed.

Welcome Sawsan Natsheh, University of St. Thomas Authorizer liaison

Abdo Audit Presentation (virtual)

Audit results were presented by Layne K. from Abdo

Public Comments (Public have five minutes to speak. The board will not comment or respond to comments at the board meeting)

None

Action Items

- December financials – acceptance
 - Currently running a little under ADM and working on the working budget which will be presented to the board around April. We did not see a loss in enrollment this year as compared to last year. A motion to accept the December financials was made by Gooder and seconded by Faye. With 5 yes votes, motion passed.
- Capitalization Policy
 - Recent audit rules around capitalizing certain items in our budget from individual items to groups of items. New policy meets standards. A motion to accept the new capitalization policy was made by Gooder and seconded by Dennis. With 5 yes votes, motion passed.
- 2024-2025 School Calendar
 - 24-25 school calendar was presented. Due to the leap year in 2024, there is one less day on the calendar for next school year. The 24-25 calendar matches St Paul public schools breaks schedule. A motion to accept the 24-25 school calendar was made by Faye and seconded by Enquist. With 5 yes votes, motion passed.
- Removal of Mali Wampach from board seat
 - Gratitude to Mali for her service to the TCA school board. A motion to remove Mali from her board seat was made by Gooder and seconded by Enquist. With 5 yes votes, motion passed.

New Business

- 1st Read – Policy 508 Extended School Year for Students with IEPs
- 1st Read – Policy 418 Drug Free Workplace
- 1st Read – Policy 103 Complaints Process
 - Governance committee prioritized these 3 policies to be reviewed and changed based on recent legislation changes. Policies are being drawn from MN school boards association. These policies will be action items at next month's meeting.
- TCA Land Acknowledgement
 - The Equity team developed this statement as a way to acknowledge the Indigenous land on which TCA is built. This land acknowledgement will be adopted in various avenues including the website.

Old Business

Reports

- Committee Reports
 - Governance
 - Preparation for School Board Elections (1 Teacher and 3 Community Member seats open)
 - Finance
 - Strategic Budget Retreat Summary
 - No final decisions until end of February

- Feedback from administrators was asked and working budget will be coming hopefully in March or April
- Director
 - Enrollment Update
 - On par or even slightly ahead on applications for next school year
 - Marketing Update
 - Google Ads and Instagram marketing is continuing
- Board Members
 - Dennis- PrairieCare grant parent education nights have been going well
 - Gooder- Impressed with Esports program and wondering how we can support them more

Adjourn at 6:23pm