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Sept. 23rd, 2021 Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
6:00 PM STRIDE Academy Library

School Mission Statement: STRIDE Academy nurtures individuals while fostering leadership and empowering students to attain their highest potential in a family-centered environment.

I. Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance and Roll Call 6:00pm Members present: Sara Fromm, Eric Williams, Aaron Lundblad, Andy Lyman, Suzy McIntyre, Ahmed Ahmed.
Members of the public: Gwen Anderson, Nathan Schwieters,

A. Mission Statement of STRIDE Academy

II. Approval of Agenda Motion to approve made by McIntyre, Seconded by Lundblad. Motion carries.

III. Swearing in of New Board Member Ahmed Ahmed was sworn in.

IV. Consent Agenda Approved

- A. Board Meeting Minutes
- B. Accept resignation from Andrew Hagman, Teacher
- C. Accept resignation from Bobbie Jo Kneip, Teacher
- D. Accept resignation from Melissa Rothstein, Teacher
- E. Accept resignation from Shamhaad Noor, Paraprofessional
- F. Accept resignation from Amanda Voigt, Paraprofessional
- G. Approve to hire Valerie Dahl, Elementary Teacher
- H. Approve to hire Brittnay Malave, Elementary Teacher
- I. Approve to hire Khadro Abdi, Paraprofessional
- J. Approve to hire Sahani Raabi, Academic Interventionist/Blended Learning Instructor
- K. Approve to increase Substitute Rates of Pay to \$150 and \$175 for retired teachers
- L. Approve to hire Fatumo Mohamed, Paraprofessional

V. Public Comment No comments

The School Board welcomes input from community members and staff.

Each person addressing the council shall give his/her name for the record. Each person making public comment is limited to three minutes. Comments should be kept courteous and professional and directed to the board as whole. After the speaker has made his or her statement, he or she will be seated with no further comment, dialogue or debate.

VI. Reports

A. Executive Director

a. Ten Square Presentation **By Sean Elder and Karl Jentoft**

- **Enrollment is at 523 -we are in a good place with budget.**

B. Principal's Report

- **We are fully staff at the moment**
- **Social emotional Tier 1**
- **Leadership team with AEC**
- **Family Surveys**
- **Former student won NPR Podcast**
- **We had more staff exposure to C-19 than students had.**

C. Assistant Principal's Report

- **NWA testing starts next Monday K-8th**
- **Benchmark reports from MDE handed out to the grade levels team.**
- **3rd to 8th grade soccer started with 42 students registered.**
- **Volleyball with 12 students registered.**
- **Panther Choir will be starting soon as well.**
- **Sent a survey to parents regarding interest in school activities. 53 replies so far, 66% yes if bussing could be offered. Suggestions for new activities: Girls football, regular football, wrestling among others.**
- **Lunch - we have 2 BL families at the moment.**

D. Standing Committee Report

a. Academics Excellence

- **Looking at Professional Development ideas.**
- **Use Study Island & Rock n Read to supplement.**
- **Dress code - struggle with hooded sweatshirts taking too much time.**
- **Digital Learning Days - have the students check with the HR teacher, take attendance and connect. They'll have 4 assignments that need to be completed.**
- **PUC opportunity Professional Development for the schools.**

b. Governance

- **See report for detailed information**

c. Finance

- Had an investor call earlier this week with lots of investors and they all heard our interest in the purchase of the land.
- Investors were very impressed with KDV report on where we stand. It is so refreshing.
- PPP loan has been forgiving 100%
- The audit is going to happen in about 3 weeks.
- We are starting 2022 very well with a strong enrollment.
- ESSER funds is due Oct. 1st 2021 and will be available thru 2024
- No cash flow concerns at this time.
- For more information, see report.

VII. Business

- Approve Resolution authorizing Eric Williams user access to State of Minnesota Education secure websites for STRIDE Academy **Motion to approve made by Suzy, seconded by Aaron. Motions carried.**
- Approve Governance recommendation of amending the school's bylaws.**Motion to approve made by Sara, seconded by Aaron. Motions carried.**
- Approve Governance request that the full board to consider black pants and skirts as an acceptable uniform color. **Motion to approve made by Aaron, seconded by Joe. Motions carried.**
- Approve Governance request that the full board to consider remove hooded sweatshirts as acceptable attire - **Table pending more information.**
- Update of School Board Academy POC - **Suzy & Sara will participate this Saturday coming up. Will count as ongoing training and we will report after the training so you all can benefit from it as well. Ms.Diaz will be at Stride in October for the bi annual observation of the year.**

VIII. Adjourn 7:38pm

Public Attachments:

-  [About TenSquare - Services Summary and Team Bios Sept 2021.pdf](#)
-  [EDIAM Board Resolution_9_9_2020.docx](#)
-  [Stride FY22 August Financial Report \(1\).pdf](#)
-  [Stride Supplemental Info-August 2021.pdf](#)
-  [TenSquare Project Resume September 2021.pdf](#)
-  [TenSquare Real Estate Development Overview One Page Sept 2021.pdf](#)
-  [Governance Report September 21 2021.docx](#)
-  [Aug 19th 2021 Board Meeting Minute.docx](#)