

Rochester STEM Academy
 District #4204
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
 Wednesday, August 23, 2017 5:15 p.m.
 Rochester STEM Academy 415 16th St. SW, Rochester, MN

Call to order: Mohamoud Hamud called the meeting to order at 5:09 p.m.
Board Members Present: Zach Jones, Mohamoud Hamud, Ayan Mumin, Abdulkadir Abdalla,
Absent: Mohamed Abdalla
Others present: Bryan Rossi, Robert Procaccini

Vision

A community focused school providing a rigorous STEM education.

Mission

The mission of Rochester STEM Academy is to provide a highly supportive learning environment for minority, immigrant, and other students currently underserved in traditional area high schools and greatly underrepresented in Rochester’s STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics) industries through a challenging program that emphasizes creativity, accountability, ongoing assessments, college-preparation, and high academic achievement.

Approval of the agenda and minutes:

Motion: To amend the agenda, and add Annual Tasks to the director’s updates.			
Made by: Zach Jones		Seconded by: Abdulkadir Abdalla	
Discussion: Annual tasks need to be added to the director’s updates.			
Vote:	Yea: 3	Nay: 0	Abstain:
Decision: Motion carries unanimously			

Motion: To review and approve the minutes from June 14, 2017			
Made by: Abdulkadir Abdalla		Seconded by: Zach Jones	
Discussion:			
Vote:	Yea: 3	Nay: 0	Abstain:
Decision: Motion carries unanimously			

*Ayan Mumin arrived at 5:15pm

Business:

Motion: To approve the financials from June and July, 2017, with the inclusion of changing the budgeted ADM from 105 to 115.			
Made by: Abdulkadir Abdalla		Seconded by: Zach Jones	
Discussion: The budget needs to show how the grant is being spent. ADM needs to be changed from 105 to 115. Rochester STEM Academy operated at a \$36,000 loss in food services during the 2016-2017 school year. Robert will look into what the actual holdback will be. Robert thinks we do not need the credit line with venture bank anymore.			
Vote:	Yea: 4	Nay: 0	Abstain:
Decision: Motion carries unanimously			

Motion: To approve the new Math teacher's contract, Designs for Learning Special Education Director contract, Muna Halal Food Vendor Contract, and the annual tasks with the continuation of officers.			
Made by: Abdulkadir Abdalla		Seconded by: Zach Jones	
Discussion: Math Teacher – Jessica Prevost has a civil engineering degree and has been hired as the math teacher. Mrs. Prevost will be teaching on a community expert waiver. Muna Halal Food Contract – Brian Rossi and Ali Yare will survey the students about the food at RSA and will report back to the board at the January board meeting. Annual Tasks – Mohamoud Hamud will continue to be the Board Chair. Zach Jones will continue to be the Vice Chair and Secretary. Abdulkadir Abdalla will continue to be the Treasurer.			
Vote:	Yea: 4	Nay: 0	Abstain:
Decision: Motion carries unanimously			

Other business:

Comments from Community Members:

Meeting Adjourned: 5:53 p.m.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, September 20th, at 5:00 pm

Respectfully submitted by Zach Jones, Vice Chair and Secretary