

Rochester STEM Academy
 District #4204
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
 Wednesday, August 24, 2016 5:00 p.m.
 Rochester STEM Academy 415 16th St. SW, Rochester, MN

Call to order: Mohamoud Hamud called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

Board Members Present: *Zach Jones, Mohamoud Hamud, Mohamed Abdalla, Abdulkadir Abdalla

Absent:

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 approve the agenda.			
Made by: Abdulkadir Abdalla		Seconded by: Mohamed Abdalla	
Discussion:			
Vote:	Yea: 3	Nay: 0	Abstain:
Decision: Motion carries unanimously			

*Zach Jones arrived at 5:02pm

Motion: To approve the minutes from June 15, 2016, with amendments.			
Made by:		Seconded by:	
Discussion: Minutes should reflect next meeting as August 24, 2016 instead of August 17 th , 2016.			
Vote:	Yea: 4	Nay: 0	Abstain:
Decision: Motion carries unanimously			

Business:

Motion: To leave the board office positions the same.			
Made by: Abdulkadir Abdalla		Seconded by: Zach Jones	
Discussion: Mohamoud Hamud as school board Chair. Zach Jones as school Vice Chair and Secretary.			
Vote:	Yea: 4	Nay: 0	Abstain:
Decision: Motion carries unanimously			

Motion: To approve annual board tasks, numbers 2-11.			
Made by: Mohamud Hamud		Seconded by: Abdulkadir Abdalla	
Discussion:			
Vote:	Yea: 4	Nay: 0	Abstain:
Decision: Motion carries unanimously			

Motion: To approve financials from June and July, 2016			
Made by: Abdulkadir Abdalla		Seconded by: Zach Jones	
Discussion:			
Vote:	Yea: 4	Nay: 0	Abstain:
Decision: Motion carries unanimously			

Motion: To approve the 2016-2017 school year calendar and employment update.			
Made by: Zach Jones		Seconded by: Abdulkadir Abdalla	
Discussion:			
Vote:	Yea: 4	Nay: 0	Abstain:
Decision: Motion carries unanimously			

Motion: To approve the Muna Halal food service contract.			
Made by: Abdulkadir Abdalla		Seconded: Zach Jones	
Discussion:			
Vote:	Yea: 4	Nay: 0	Abstain:
Decision: Motion carries unanimously			

Motion: To approve the first year of the lease agreement, July 1 2016, through June 30, 2017, at \$11,238.20 per month.			
Made by:		Seconded:	
Discussion: The lease proposal was for the next 5 years, but after the first year there would be a significant increase in payment. Because of the significant increase in payments after the first year, the board would only like to approve the first year at this time. The first year wo			
Vote:	Yea: 4	Nay: 0	Abstain:
Decision: Motion carries unanimously			

Other business:

PSEO Handbook needs to be read and reviewed.

Motion: To adjourn the meeting.			
Made by: Abdulkadir Abdalla		Seconded: Zach Jones	
Discussion:			
Vote:	Yea: 4	Nay: 0	Abstain:
Decision: Motion carries unanimously			

Comments from Community Members:

Meeting Adjourned: 6:35 p.m.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, September 22th, at 5:00 pm

Respectfully submitted by Zach Jones, Vice Chair and Secretary