

Rochester STEM Academy
 District #4204
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
 Wednesday, September 19th, 2018 5:00 p.m.
 Rochester Math and Science, 415 16th St. SW, Rochester, MN

Call to order: Mohamoud Hamud called the meeting to order at 5:08 p.m.
Board Members Present: Zach Jones, Mohamoud Hamud, Abdulkadir Abdalla,
Absent: Ayan Mumin, 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:

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| Motion: To review and approve the agenda, and the minutes from August 29, 2018. | | | |
| Made by: Zach Jones | | Seconded by: Abdulkadir Abdalla | |
| Discussion: | | | |
| Vote: | Yea: 3 | Nay: 0 | Abstain: |
| Decision: Motion carries unanimously | | | |

Business:

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| Motion: To approve the financials from August, 2018. | | | |
| Made by: Abdulkadir Abdalla | | Seconded by: Zach Jones | |
| Discussion: Cash flow projects to be strong. Estimated hold back is \$31,208. School is getting paid on 135 students and current enrollment is 139 students. The board would like to see the financial impact from PSEO since there are more PSEO students/credits than what was budgeted for. | | | |
| Vote: | Yea: 3 | Nay: 0 | Abstain: |
| Decision: Motion carries unanimously | | | |

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| Motion: To approve the director's report. | | | |
| Made by: Zach Jones | | Seconded by: Mohamoud Hamoud | |
| Discussion: This includes Kadra Mohamed's contract of \$26,000/year for a SpEd paraprofessional position, and Cynthia Frericks as cleaning assistant; \$20/hour x 10 hours/week. There are 32 PSEO students with a total of 310 credit hours. This is above the projected 25 students and 208 credits, and we need to monitor this. Applied for MDE School Safety Grant for \$45,815.00, and awaiting notification from MDE. | | | |
| Vote: | Yea: 3 | Nay: 0 | Abstain: |
| Decision: Motion carries unanimously | | | |

Other business:

Comments from Community Members:

Meeting Adjourned: 5:22 p.m.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, November 21, 2018 at 5:00 pm – Administration Center, 920 Mayowood Road, Rochester, MN 55902

Respectfully submitted by Zach Jones, Vice Chair, and Secretary