



School Name: Rochester STEM Academy		
Date: 11/18/20		
Address: 415 16 th St. SW, Rochester, MN 55902		
Board Member Names:	Present	Absent
Abdulkadir Abdalla	X	
Ayan Mumin		X
Mohamoud Hamud	X	
Daniel Zacharda	X	
Others Present:		
Tu Nguyen (NEO)		
Dr. Ellingson (Executive Director)		
Corlis Hicks (Social Studies/SPED Teacher/ Fencing Coach)		
Meagan Caron (English Teacher)		
Robert Procaccini (Finance Team)		
Andy (Redpath)		
Ali Ashikir (School Administration)		
1. Call Meeting to Order		
By: Mohamoud Hamud	Time: 3:30pm	
School Vision: A community focused school providing a rigorous STEM education.		
School 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.		
2. Community Comments:		
(None)		
3. Request for any Conflicts of Interests		
(None Declared)		

4. Approval of Board Meeting Agenda			
Motion: To pass meeting agenda with proposed amendment (approving School Audit)			
Made by: Mohamoud Hamud		Seconded By: Daniel Zacharda	
Discussion: Board chair proposes adding and amendment to the agenda approving the School Financial Audit			
Roll Call Vote:			
Board Member Name:	Yea	Nay	Abstain
Abdulkadir Abdalla	X		
Ayan Mumin	Absent		
Mohamoud Hamud	X		
Daniel Zacharda	X		
Totals:	3	0	0
Decision:		Motion Passes 3-0-0	
5. Approval of Board Minutes			
Motion: Approval of Board Meeting Minutes from 10-18-2020			
Made by: Daniel Zacharda		Seconded By: Abdulkadir Abdalla	
Discussion: <p style="text-align: center;">(None)</p>			
Roll Call Vote:			
Board Member Name:	Yea	Nay	Abstain
Abdulkadir Abdalla	X		
Ayan Mumin	Absent		
Mohamoud Hamud	X		
Daniel Zacharda	X		
Totals:	3	0	0
Decision:		Motion Passes 3-0-0	
6. Financial Report			
Motion: To approve School Financials for October 2020			
Made by: Abdulkadir Abdalla		Seconded By: Daniel Zacharda	
Discussion: Presentation into school financials. The schools is in financially good condition. School enrollment is currently up, which is a good sign. The school is ahead on revenue projections. There was a discussion into the use of a debit card or a credit card. Dr. Ellingson stated she would look into acquiring a credit card for school use over the debit card. It was noted from the school auditor that a school credit card allows for an extra layer of security.			

Roll Call Vote:			
Board Member Name:	Yea	Nay	Abstain
Abdulkadir Abdalla	X		
Ayan Mumin	Absent		
Mohamoud Hamud	X		
Daniel Zacharda	X		
Totals:	3	0	0
Decision:	Motion Passes 3-0-0		
7. School Audit			
Motion: To approve School Financial Audit			
Made by: Abdulkadir Abdalla		Seconded By: Daniel Zacharda	
Discussion:			
Andy from Redpath presented the school audit report. Redpath reported no issues in their report. The audit found no issues with internal controls, legal compliance, debt covenants etc. The school received an unmodified opinion, the mark a school can receive.			
Roll Call Vote:			
Board Member Name:	Yea	Nay	Abstain
Abdulkadir Abdalla	X		
Ayan Mumin	Absent		
Mohamoud Hamud	X		
Daniel Zacharda	X		
Totals:	3	0	0
Decision:	Motion Passes 3-0-0		
8. Board Governance Discussion			
Motion: To approve new board member			
Made by: Daniel Zacharda		Seconded by: Abdulkadir Abdalla	
Discussion:			
To approve Subban Hassan as a new member of the Rochester STEM Academy School Board.			
Roll Call Vote:			
Board Member Name:	Yea	Nay	Abstain
Abdulkadir Abdalla	X		
Ayan Mumin	Absent		
Mohamoud Hamud	X		
Daniel Zacharda	X		
Totals:	3	0	0
Decision:	Motion Passes 3-0-0		
9. Directors Report			
Financial Management: The school continues to look into PSEO and ELL funding.			

Community Relations: Board member Abdulkadir stated parent are very happy with communication from administration and teachers with helping students. The board would like to formally thank school administration and teaching staff for their hard work with distance learning.

Academics:

Teacher Practice:
New math teacher is doing well

Student Outcomes:
Teaching artists continue to work with students

The school is utilizing more tutors to help students

Student Engagement survey results were shared.

10. Adjournment

Motion: To adjourn the meeting

Made by: Abdulkadir Abdalla

Seconded By: Daniel Zacharda

Discussion:

(None)

Roll Call Vote:

Board Member Name:	Yea	Nay	Abstain
Abdulkadir Abdalla	X		
Ayan Mumin		Absent	
Mohamoud Hamud	X		
Daniel Zacharda	X		
Totals:	3	0	0
Decision:	Motion Passes 3-0-0		