

## SciTech Academy Board Meeting Minutes

Date: January 18, 2019

Location: Scitech Academy

### Attendees

- Abdisallam Abdulle
- Abdirashid Abdi
- Abdiwahab Omar
- Dr. Abdirizak Warfa
- Joe Aliperto
- Fadumo Yusuf

### Agenda:

- School finance
- Updates
- STEM outreach
- Community space use during non-school hours

### Action items from last board meeting:

- Abdusallam to send meeting minutes from August special board meeting pertaining to transportation meeting – **complete**
- Abdusallam to take survey of how many of our students have access to a computer and internet at home – **In progress**
  - o A lot of families do not have access to computers / internet at home. Weekly homework packages (hard copies) will be given to the students. IXL will be alternative learning tool, but hard copies of homework will be given to the students.
  - o Survey to be taken during parent teacher conference.
- Abdusallam and Laura to put together timeline for student assessment and SMART goal setting implementation plan – **In progress**
  - o Assessment started this week, Scitech will be using Fast Bridge.
  - o Fast Bridge implemented, adopting spring testing.
  - o Internal intervention program was also created. Assessing where the students are, where they need help with and plan for helping the students further develop.
  - o Advance kids have alternative resources for them to learn further such as IXL, extra books and so on.
- Abdusallam and Laura to draft plan for teacher professional development – **In progress**
  - o Each month there is one full day for professional development
  - o Fridays school is released at 2:00 PM, staff training every other Friday
  - o How did we decide what trainings they need?
    - Some of the trainings come with the curriculum
    - Some of the trainings were determined during beginning of school year
    - Surveys taken and talk to the teachers to determine where the needs are
    - STEM scopes – external people will come to train schools

- Tuesday meetings with the teachers to determine what the needs are and based on that development and external people coming in
- Joe to draft proposal for opening line of credit and to send proposal to the board – **In progress, will be sent before next meeting.**
- STEM outreach program to be discussed at the next board meeting – **moved to next meeting**

**Minutes:**

- School finance
  - Budget on 165
  - Joe will
  - End of month will have line of credit secure
  - Budget on track, no concerns
  - What to watch for, we have to pay the loans we took from the community members
    - Abdirashid to send the request for the loans
    - \$35,000 of the loan has been paid, outstanding balance is \$22,500
  - Approximately \$47,000 approved, under implementation I of CSP grant
  - Primary education approved food service as of November first. Appealing that decision to have it go back to the beginning of the school year.
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- Updates
  - Enrollment: 167 ±1 students as of now
  - Ipads ordered
  - Play ground floor plan is being worked
  - Somali curriculum found
  - All curriculum is set
  - Abdusallam to take survey of the parents in which language to teach the kids

**Action Items for next board meeting:**

- Joe to send
- Abdirashid to send the requests for the loans sent to the community members.
- STEM outreach
- Community space use during non-school hours