

# SciTech Academy

The Board of Directors' meeting was held Friday, **Apr 28, 2023**

100 West 66th Street. Richfield MN 55423: room 100

Virtual meeting location:

<https://meet.google.com/ziw-ooca-hiu>

## 1. Call to Order School Board Business Meeting Chairman Dr. Warfa @ 6:00 Pm.

*Dr. Warfa transfers the role of chairing this day's meeting to Mr. Ibrahim.*

*Dr. Warfa attended the meeting virtually.*

**Roll Call to Establish Quorum:** Abdirisak Warfa, Mohamed Mohamoud, Ibrahim Mohamed, and Said Idd.

- **Absent Members:** Suad Abdirahman
- **Nonvoting members:** Director Abdulle, Joe Aliperto.
- **Board Aid:** Hani Abdi - board note taker,
- **Guest:** Cindy Murphy - MN Guild Consultant.

Declaration of conflict of interest statement: Mr. Ibrahim, if you have any conflict of interest, you must declare it now. No conflict was Declared.

**1.1** Motion to accept the Agenda as presented by Ibrahim and seconded by Mohamoud. *Ibrahim- yes, Mohamoud - yes, Dr. Warfa- yes, and Said - Yes. Motion carried.*

**1.2** Let the record show that the Finance training happened today, April 28, 2023, with Joe Aliperto. 5-6 pm  
Material: [2022-23 Finance Education in Minnesota](#) & Current budget worksheets.

**1.3** [March Board meeting minutes](#) - motion to approve March Board Meeting minutes, by Ibrahim, second by Mohamoud. *(The Chair, any discussion)? No discussion was entered.*

Directors voted this way: Ibrahim - yes. Mohamoud -yes. Said - yes. Warfa, yes. **Motion carried.**

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**Public comments / Stakeholders** - 6:15 None  
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## 2. Old Business Items:

**2.1.** None. The facility Lease Extension- was tabled for future meetings.

**2.2.** FY23 Revised final budget draft (It was tabled for future meetings)

### 3. New Business items that need to be Approved:

**3.1. FY24 Teachers Contract-** *motion to approve Teachers' Contract, by Ibrahim, second by Mohamoud. The Chair, any discussion? No discussion was entered.*

Directors voted this way: Ibrahim - yes. Mohamoud -yes. Said - yes. Warfa, yes. **Motion carried.**

**3.2. Facility Lease extension -** Lease negotiation still continues- Director Abdulle, Requested to be tabled. This Item was tabled for future meetings.

**3.3. MSBA Membership -** *Motion to approve MSBA membership fY24 schol year by Ibrahim, second by Mohamoud.*

*The Chair, any discussion? Ibrahim, I know MSBA. The organization has many resources, and I recommend and praise the director's recommendation to join MSBA. Dr. Warfa, The only downside is the cost of the membership fee. Mr. Abdulle, They have a lot of resources, including Board training and School police that were created for only Charter schools. I believe this is beneficial to the district. Dr. Warfa, the cost is (\$2000.00) each year.*

*Mr.Abdulle, No, the only initial purchase cost of the policies is \$2000. After that, it is around \$700 annually.*

Directors voted this way: Ibrahim - yes. Mohamoud -yes. Said - yes. Warfa, yes. **Motion carried.**

**3.4 Policies ( [Admission policy](#) and [Bullying Prevention and Responses](#))**

*Motion to approve admission and Bullying Prevention and Responses policies, by Ibrahim, second by Mohamoud.*

*The Chair, any discussion? the discussion was entered. Mr. Abdulle mentioned- These policies are already on the district website, but MN Guild requests it, and it's related to the renewal process. So it just reviews, and Board has to re-approve again. Directors voted this way: Ibrahim - yes. Mohamoud -yes. Said - yes. Warfa, yes. **Motion carried.***

### 4. School & finance update Director - Joe & Abdi.

**4.1** Mr. Abdulle, The school is approaching the end of the school. The Academic Data from Fall to Winter showed favorable academic growth. It's with the help of our great teachers and staff. We are looking forward to the MCA results as well as the Spring Fastbridge testing results. The Board will have the preliminary academic data report in the June meeting.

**4.2** The finance committee met early this week - The committee was busy putting together five years budget projections for the 2024-2028 SY Charter contract renewals due 4/28/2023. The finance committee will bring to the board the final revised Fy23 and Fy24 Budget projection next board meeting. Fy23 original was 260, and Currently, the school has an enrollment of approximately 312 students. And the state ADM numbers were recently updated to pay off 260 ADM. As we have gone through earlier during the training, we have no concerns regarding the budget, and the school expects to get large payments during the three months of the summer year. The bigger item for next school year will be a reduction in the transportation cost.

Cidy Muphy from MN Guild Autorizer - asked working budget and worksheet, and Joe said he would send them out.

### ~~5. Facility Lease/updates -Director Abdulle,~~

**6.** Guild MN - Renewal Application statutes. Dr. Warfaa\_ Abdi and the team are working with the Guild, and we are responding to the requested renewal timeline that was presented to us on April 6th.

6.1 Director Abdulle asked if Ms. Cindy has input: The initial renewal state. Glory is working with you through Goals and other important elements. I will come to the next stage of the performance improvement plan. If there is a need for assistance, please reach out to us ( Guild team). We are here to help and provide you with technical assistance.

**Add on Agenda:**

*A motion to adjourn the meeting by Ibrahim, seconded by Mohamoud.*

Adjourned this meeting at: 6:58 Pm