



Almadina Language Charter Academy

Board of Directors

Regular Meeting

Monday, August 31, 2015 7:00 pm

#118, 3132 26th ST NE, Calgary AB T1Y 6Z1

Minutes

Members Present:

Haytham Ghouriri, Chair Mohamad El Jabali, Treasurer Abdal Aziz Houmsi, Director,
Sohail Sherwani, Director Mohamed Salih, Director Samir Jalloul, Director

Members Absent: Issa Mosa, Director

Staff Present:

Yvonne DePeel Superintendent, Wanda Hayes Executive Assistant, Suzanne Bedard Secretary Treasurer

Guests Present:

1. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order at 7:02 pm

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA –

Motion: 15-08-31-1 Moved by Samir Jalloul, Seconded by Mohamed Salih

The Board approves the agenda as presented.

Carried

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion: 15-08-31-2 Moved by Mohamed Salih, Seconded by Samir Jalloul

The Board approves the minutes from the Regular Board Meeting – June 15, 2015, as presented.

Carried

Motion: 15-08-31-3 Moved by Mohamed Salih, Seconded by Samir Jalloul

The Board approves the minutes from the Special Board Meeting – June 24, 2015, as presented.

Carried

Motion: 15-08-31-4 Moved by Mohamed Salih, Seconded by Samir Jalloul

The Board approves the minutes from the Special Board Meeting – July 23, 2015, as presented.

Carried

4. IN CAMERA

Motion: 15-08-31-5 Moved by Mohamad El Jabali

The Board approves moving in camera.

Carried

Motion: 15-08-31- 6 Moved by Abdal Aziz Houmsi

The Board approves moving out of camera.

Carried

5. REPORTS/DISCUSSION ITEMS

A) Committee Reports/Discussion items

5.1 Finance – The Secretary Treasurer discussed that we are on track with our budget and preparing for our year end.

5.2 Transportation – The transportation committee discussed the bus routes, walk distances, bus route changes, parent concerns and meeting times. They will be scheduling another meeting very soon.

5.3 Facilities – The facilities committee gave a report on the progress of the portables at the Ogden campus. The Superintendent discussed the windows and basement work that was being done over the summer at Mountain View campus. The facility committee members would like to be more involved.

5.4 ATA – The ATA committee was on hiatus for the summer and will be resuming meeting later in September.

5.5 Registration – The superintendent went through the registration acceptance process with the board to address parent concerns.

5.6 Annual BBQ – Our annual community BBQ was discussed and a tentative date of Saturday, September 26, 2015 was chosen. Two directors are to meet with administration and the school council to discuss the details. This is a good time to have government officials to meet the Almadina community.

5.7 High School – The board chair has written Alberta Education a letter requesting high school and changes to our charter to reflect Grades K through to 12, along with an article that speaks to the ESL needs that are not being met in the mainstream school systems.

5.8 IT – Director Sherwani requested an update on the web site, process for choosing the web developer and application.

5.9 The Superintendent was directed to meet with the uniform provider to discuss the concerns by the parents in regards to inconsistency in the quality, color and requirements of the school uniform and to ensure that the contract with the provider is being honored.

B) Superintendent Report

The Superintendent gave an update on the progress of all ongoing projects. This included the facilities, transportation and registration items as well as a paper copy showing all meetings attended throughout the summer.

6. ACTION

Motion 15-08-31-7 Moved by Sohail Sherwani, Seconded by Issa Mosa

The board approves a budget not to exceed \$15,000.00 for the annual community BBQ.

Carried

7. OTHER

8. COMMENTS FROM THE CHAIR

The Chair commented on the status of the five used portables, he read a letter from the Deputy Minister which states that they have denied use of them as they have been decommissioned. The chair directed the Superintendent to request a refund of the deposit made to the moving company.

The chair requested all board members to submit items they wish to discuss to be added to the agenda one week prior to the board meeting. This will aide in keeping the time guidelines set out in the agenda to ensure a timely meeting.

The chair thanked everyone for their participation.

9. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 10:00 pm.

Signature on file

Haytham Ghouriri Board Chair

Signature on file

Wanda Hayes, Executive Secretary

BOARD ATTENDANCE RECORD

Board Member	Signature	Time of Arrival
Haytham Ghouriri	Signature on File	6:30 pm
Issa Mosa	Signature on File	ABSENT
Mohamad El Jabali	Signature on File	5:45 pm
Mohamed Salih	Signature on File	6:30 pm
Sohail Sherwani	Signature on File	6:30 pm
Samir Jalloul	Signature on File	6:50 pm
Abdul Al Aziz Houmsi	Signature on File	6:50 pm