



Almadina Language Charter Academy

Board of Directors

Regular Meeting

Thursday, May 26, 2016 6:00 pm

Board Office

#118, 3132 - 26 Street NE, Calgary, AB T1Y 6Z1

Minutes

Members Present:

Haytham Ghouriri, Chair

Sohail Sherwani, Vice Chair

Mohamed Salih, Treasurer

Mohamed El Jabali

Issa Mosa, Director

Samir Jalloul, Director

Abdal Aziz Houmsi, Director

Members Excused:

Staff Present:

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

Guests Present:

Sonya Quinlan-Jacob – School Counsellor

Beverly Barca – Alberta Education

Jamal ElRafih – Principal – Ogden Campus

Shakila Raja – Principal, Mountain View Campus

1. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order at 6:05 pm

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA –

Motion: 16-05-26-1 Moved by Issa Mosa

The Board approves the agenda as amended, correction to date of regular draft minutes from the last meeting.

Carried

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion: 16-05-26-2 Moved by Mohamed Salih

The Board approves the minutes from the Regular Board Meeting – April 28, 2016 as presented.

Carried

4. DELEGATION #1

The School Counsellor presented to the board an update on how things have been progressing this year. The subjects that were covered were;

- referral process for services,
- group, family, teacher and universal counselling,
- requests for meeting with her regarding various concerns from students, family and staff
- how the teachers are supported
- student education on how to write resumes and cover letters
- career exploration
- university tours for grade 9 students
- literacy assessments
- bus driver meetings and training
- dealing with transportation issues
- advocacy team
- discipline committee
- school council
- CIRT steering committee

The board members were then invited to ask any questions for clarification.

5. DELEGATION #2

Beverley Barca from Alberta Education addressed the board regarding the Action Plan, issues and the Governance roles.

6. REPORTS/DISCUSSION ITEMS

Committee Reports/Discussion items

5.1 Superintendents Report

- TAAPCS governance model changes. The new model will have the Executive positions held by Board Members. One Vote per charter.
- PATs began May 10 and will continue until the end of June.
- Security system is 90% installed at MV and 50% at Ogden. Completion for both schools June 15.
- Technology Committee met and agreed on lowest vendors to order equipment. Motion for 3-year plan approval.
- 20-Year Committee cancelled May Celebrations due to fire in the North. New date will be September 24, 2016.
- Important year end dates:
 - May 27 – Sports Day (MV)
 - May 30 – Athletics Banquet (Ogden)
 - May 31 – IL Celebration (Ogden)
 - June 2 – Awards Night (Ogden) & Volunteer Tea (MV)
 - June 4 – Grade 9 Graduation
 - June 9 – Kindergarten Graduation (MV)
 - June 15 thru 24 – PATs & GLAs
- School Act – copies will be given out when passed in the fall
- Date for September training. Almadina review of policies. Dates for 3 sessions for Calgary Charter Boards, evening sessions.
- Description of student Ottawa opportunity 2016-2017
- Registration: All testing completed this week. We will be calling parents by the end of the month.
- Provincial budgets due end of June. Almadina budget will be reviewed and approved at regular June meeting.
- TA/HR policy will be completed for August implementation. HR representative to consult.
- Review of AGM preparation.
- Overview of Fort Mac students.
- Wait List #
- Kindergarten testing – mid June

5.2 Finance – The Secretary Treasurer reported that all revenues and expenses are in line with expectations and the budget for this time of year.

5.3 Transportation – The transportation committee is still waiting for one more quote for the transportation contract for the next school year. This will be ready for the June meeting.

5.4 Facilities – The facilities committee is getting quotes for summer projects, to be discussed at the June meeting.

5.5 Languages – The Languages committee will meet and review for the June meeting.

5.6 20th Year Anniversary celebration has been postponed until September 24, out of respect to the evacuees from Fort McMurray.

7. ACTION

6.1 Motion: 16-05-26-3 Moved by Abdal Aziz Houmsi
The board approves moving “In Camera”

Carried

6.2 Motion: 16-05-26-4 Moved by Abdal Aziz Houmsi
The board approves moving “Out of Camera”

Carried

6.3 Motion: 16-05-26-5 Moved by Sohail Sherwani, Seconded by Abdal Aziz Houmsi

The board approves the 3 Year Technology Plan as it was presented and recommended by the Technology Committee at the April 28, 2016 Regular Board meeting.

Carried

6.4 Motion: 16-05-26-6 Moved by Mohamed Salih, Seconded by Sohail Sherwani

The board approves offering employee # 4018 a Temporary Contract for the 2016/2017 school year.

Carried

6.4 Motion: 16-05-26-7 Moved by Mohamed Salih, Seconded by Sohail Sherwani

The board approves offering employee #4019 a Temporary Contract for the 2016/2017 school year.

Carried

6.4 Motion: 16-05-26-8 Moved by Mohamed Salih, Seconded by Sohail Sherwani

The board approves offering employee #3852 a Probationary Contract for the 2016/2017 school year.

Carried

6.4 Motion: 16-05-26-9 Moved by Mohamed Salih, Seconded by Sohail Sherwani

The board approves offering employee #4004 a Probationary Contract for the 2016/2017 school year.

Carried

6.4 Motion: 16-05-26-10 Moved by Mohamed Salih, Seconded by Sohail Sherwani

The board approves offering employee # 3905 a Probationary Contract for the 2016/2017 school year.

Carried

6.4 Motion: 16-05-26-11 Moved by Mohamed Salih, Seconded by Sohail Sherwani

The board approves offering employee #3916 a Probationary Contract for the 2016/2017 school year.

Carried

6.4 Motion: 16-05-26-12 Moved by Mohamed Salih, Seconded by Sohail Sherwani

The board approves offering employee #4020 a Probationary Contract for the 2016/2017 school year.

Carried

6.4 Motion: 16-05-26-13 Moved by Mohamed Salih, Seconded by Sohail Sherwani

The board approves offering employee #3908 a Continuing Contract for the 2016/2017 school year.

Carried

6.4 Motion: 16-05-26-14 Moved by Mohamed Salih, Seconded by Sohail Sherwani

The board approves offering employee # 3855 a Continuing Contract for the 2016/2017 school year.

Carried

6.4 Motion: 16-05-26-15 Moved by Mohamed Salih, Seconded by Sohail Sherwani

The board approves offering employee #3904 a Continuing Contract for the 2016/2017 school year.

Carried

8. INFORMATION FOR NON DISCUSSION

The Principals report has been included in the board package.

9. OTHER

A member of the community attended the meeting and brought a confidential matter to the board table.

10. COMMENTS FROM THE CHAIR

11. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 pm.

Signature on File

Haytham Ghourini, Board Chair

Signature on File

Wanda Hayes, Executive Secretary

BOARD ATTENDANCE RECORD

| Board Member | Signature | Time of Arrival |
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| Haytham Ghouriri | Signature on File | 5:30 pm |
| Sohail Sherwani | Signature on File | 5:45 pm |
| Mohamed Salih | Signature on File | 6:00 pm |
| Issa Mosa | Signature on File | 5:35 pm |
| Mohamad El Jabali | Signature on File | 5:40 pm |
| Samir Jalloul | Signature on File | 5:15 pm |
| Abdal Aziz Houmsi | Signature on File | 5:30 pm |