

**STEAM ACADEMY BOARD MEETING
AGENDA/MINUTES 04/22/2022**

School Name	STEAM Academy	
Charter Number	#4270	
Date	04/22/2022 5:00pm Central Standard Time	
Address	On Zoom The Zoom link was made available to public for those who wanted to join the meeting.	
Board Members Present	Role	
Sarah Chebli	Board Chair	
Mahdi Nur	Treasure	
Makia Jama	Teacher	
Hamada Aboubakr	Vice Chair	
Board Members Absent		
Maryam Arab	Secretary	
Community members present		
Amina Adan, Magdy Rabeaa (SPS), Adam Myhand (NEO), and Joseph Soveine (TAG)		
Call to Order	By: Sarah Chebli	Time: 5:03pm
School Mission Statement		
<p>Mission: STEAM Academy’s mission is to provide a student-centered learning environment where all of its students, families, and communities apply the civic skills needed to wisely meet the common good through personal and public education. Our school strives to answer the question, “Why do I need to know this?” from diverse perspectives: culturally responsive, critical thinking, life-long learning, gender neutral, community informed, cross generational, and any other viewpoint that produces a greater public good.</p>		
<p>Vision: STEAM Academy embraces a multidisciplinary curriculum with an emphasis on Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Mathematics (STEAM) to provide a learning-for-understanding environment which values personal and community accountability, creativity, diversity, critical thinking, and multiculturalism. We believe that schools can prepare their students for greater understanding of profound issues through collaboration, critical thinking and problem solving. We believe this is possible when learning is done with purpose.</p>		
Community Comment		
Public Comment is an open forum portion of the meeting and is an opportunity to present an issue, concern, or other statement to the Board of Directors. Individuals wishing to address the		

Board must sign up prior to the Call to Order and will be allotted three (3) minutes. Total public comment will be limited to twenty-one (21) minutes:

No comments

Declaration of Conflict of Interest if any

Board members read the agenda and disclose if they have any real or perceived conflict of interest with any agenda items.

No Conflict of Interest

Approval of the Agenda

Motion	Motion made at 5:07pm
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Made by: Sarah Chebli	Seconded by: Hamada Aboubakr
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Discussion	The Board approved the Agenda.
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	Yea	Nay	Abstain
	4	0	0

Agenda

- 1- Approve last meeting minutes
- 2- Finance & CSP reimbursement update
- 3- Change of Bank Account signer
- 4- Facilities Update and Academic Update
- 5- Staffing Update
- 6- Enrollment update
- 7- Board Training
- 8- Leadership review
- 9- Board Calendar Update
- 10- other suggested agenda Items

1. Review and approve the last meeting minutes.

Motion	Motion made at 5:11pm
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Made by: Mahdi Nur	Seconded by: Makia Jama
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Discussion	The previous meeting minutes have some minor typos that are corrected.
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	Yes	Nay	Abstain
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2. Finance Report (Finance/CSP reimbursement update)

Motion	Motion made at 5:25pm to approve the financial reports		
Made by: Sarah Chebli	Seconded by: Mahdi Nur		
Discussion	School is getting paid on 64 ADM and the working budget is on 60 ADM, end of the year cash flow is projected at the positive. The projected cash flow doesn't include the current grants approved. We are reviewing the grants and will have a new budget at the next meeting. The CSP grant will be used for next year furniture, technology, and classroom curriculums as we are planning for the new site for 2023. MDE funding is looking good, we weren't paid enough from Lease Aid it will catch up through the end of the year.		
	Yes	Nay	Abstain
	4	0	0

1. Change of Signer of Bank Account

Motion	Motion to approve Sarah Chebli to be the signer made at 5:35pm		
Made by: Mahdi Nur	Seconded by: Makia Jama		
Discussion	We changed the Board Chair and that should reflect with our bank accounts, Sarah should be the new signer for the rest of this year, and moving forward.		
	Yes	Nay	Abstain
	4	0	0

3. Facilities Update and Academic Update

Motion	No motion made, just updates and discussions.		
Made by:	Seconded by:		
	<p>STEAM Academy has looked at three potential sites, one of them is very promising. The East St. Paul location fits our budget and has the potential to grow in. We are currently looking at next year's ADM to be 120 students if we move to a new location in St. Paul.</p> <p>Testing updates - Winter NWEA is over with and WIDA Access testing was given to ELL students. We are currently doing MCA testing; we are schedule to be done this week.</p> <p>Enrollment is steady, KG round up has signed up 10 new students for next year.</p> <p>Next year's Calendar will pretty much be aligned with St. Paul Public schools, we will approve the calendar in next board meeting.</p> <p>For Marketing – we are waiting on the new Lease to be able to start on new fliers and Facebook ads.</p>		

	Yes	Nay	Abstain
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5. Board Training- Evaluating School Leaders

Motion	No motion made		
Made by:			Seconded by:
	Magdy Rabeaa from SPS did a presentation and provided training materials to the Board members on the area of leadership review. The Board found the training very helpful and necessary. This was another refreshment to the previous trainings that they had received.		
	Yes	Nay	Abstain
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7. Board Meeting Calendar

Motion	No Motion made		
Made by:			Seconded by:
Discussion	4 th Friday of the month is no longer the best time for the team, with new board members. We are reviewing for a new time; board discussed to review our time and have a doodle created to be able to vote on it. Next meeting, we will conclude with the best choice.		
	Yes	Nay	Abstain
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8. Other Suggested Items

Adjourn Meeting			
Motion	Motion to adjourn the meeting made at 5:56pm		
Made by: Sarah			Seconded by: Mahdi
Discussion	none		

Vote was unanimous			
	Yes	Nay	Abstain
	4	0	0

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