

STAR INTERNATIONAL ACADEMY

REGULAR MEETING Minutes

Date: Tuesday, June 25, 2024

Scheduled Time: 6:00 PM

Location: Star International Academy - Support Center

6919 N. Waverly, Dearborn Heights, MI 48127

A. CALL TO ORDER

Call to Order by: Fadek Alsaeed
Call to Order Time: 6:08 PM

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Fadek Alsaeed	President & Treasurer	Present	
Ali Beydoun	Vice President	Present	
Mariam Aoude	Secretary	Present	
Ali Mroue	Director	Absent	
Ronald Koussan	Director	Absent	

ALSO PRESENT:

Mark Nezich, Dr. Ali Bazzi, Stephanie Wilks, Loree Godfrey, Rami Hamadeh, Haidar Nemer, Sean Murphy.

Recognition/Acknowledgment by Board Member Fadek Alsaeed that a quorum is present

B. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

THE AGENDA IS REVISED AND APPROVED AS FOLLOWS:

Move and revise the following items as:

NEW BUSINESS REVISE TO ITEM C.

Revise and move the first items of the Agenda:

- F.2. Approval of Appointing Hearing Officer REVISE TO C.1.
- F.3. Approval of Authorizing Student Discipline REVISE TO C.2.

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Mariam Aoude, Secretary
SECONDER: Ali Beydoun, Vice President
AYES: Alsaeed, Beydoun, Aoude

ABSENT: Mroue, Koussan

^{*}Individuals wishing to address the board of directors under Item D above are requested to sign in with the board secretary prior to the start of the meeting. Individual comments are limited to no more than two (2) minutes each and total time allowances not exceed 30 minutes. The board will not verbally respond to public comments but may follow up in the most appropriate and time-effective manner.

^{*}Complaints or concerns requiring a Public Hearing shall first be addressed in writing and delivered to the board president at least five (5) days prior to the board meeting or such complaints or concerns shall not be heard by the board.

^{*}This meeting is a meeting of the board of directors in public for the purpose of conducting the academy's business and is not to be considered a public community meeting. There is a time for public comment during the meeting as indicated on the agenda. [Open Meetings Act, Public 267].

C. NEW BUSINESS

1. APPROVAL OF APPOINTING HEARING OFFICER

A hearing of the Board of Directors (the "Board") of Star International Academy (the "Academy") was held on the 25th day of June 2024 at 6:00 p.m. Eastern Standard Time.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

- 1. The Board hereby appoints Sean P. Murphy to serve as hearing officer and to rule on all procedural or evidentiary issues during the hearing;
- 2. The Board always retains the right, by majority vote, to overrule any rulings if, in its opinion, the rulings are inappropriate or incorrect; and
- 3. Notwithstanding this delegation of authority to Sean P. Murphy, the Board shall retain the exclusive authority to evaluate and judge the facts that may be introduced and to exercise all other duties and responsibilities as required by the nature of these proceedings.

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Mariam Aoude, Secretary
SECONDER: Ali Beydoun, Vice President
AYES: Alsaeed, Beydoun, Aoude

ABSENT: Mroue, Koussan

2. APPROVAL OF AUTHORIZING STUDENT DISCIPLINE

- 1. After consideration of the evidence presented, the Board of Directors has determined that Student ("Student A") <u>DID</u> engage in severe discipline matters towards other students and staff in violation of the Academy's Student Code of Conduct.
- 2. In accordance with MCL §380.1310d, the Board considered each of the following factors: (a) Student A's age; (b) Student A's disciplinary history; (c) whether Student A is a student with a disability; (d) the seriousness of the violation or behavior committed by Student A; (e) whether the violation or behavior by Student A threatened the safety of any pupil or staff member; (f) whether restorative practices will be used to address the violation or behavior committed by Student A; and (g) whether a lesser intervention would properly address the violation or behavior committed by Student A.
- 3. After consideration of the above referenced factors, the Board hereby determines that Student A, shall be **expelled for 180 days** from Star International Academy.
- 4. All resolutions and parts of resolutions insofar as they conflict with the provisions of this resolution are hereby rescinded.

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Mariam Aoude, Secretary
SECONDER: Ali Beydoun, Vice President
AYES: Alsaeed, Beydoun, Aoude

ABSENT: Mroue, Koussan

D. ORGANIZATIONAL ITEMS

1. APPROVAL OF MEETINGS MINUTES OF MAY 30, 2024

RESOLVED, that the attached minutes of the Public Hearing and Special Board meeting held on May 30, 2024 as attached in Exhibit "A" have been reviewed and are hereby approved by the Board of Directors of Star International Academy.

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Mariam Aoude, Secretary
SECONDER: Ali Beydoun, Vice President
AYES: Alsaeed, Beydoun, Aoude

ABSENT: Mroue, Koussan

1. APPROVAL OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES AS OF MAY 31, 2024

RESOLVED THAT, the Board of Directors of Star International Academy has reviewed, accepted the revenues and expenditures report as of May 31, 2024 and does hereby authorize the payment of the expenditures.

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Mariam Aoude, Secretary
SECONDER: Ali Beydoun, Vice President
AYES: Alsaeed, Beydoun, Aoude

ABSENT: Mroue, Koussan

2. APPROVAL OF THE AMENDED BUDGET NO. II FOR 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR

RESOLVED, that the Revised Un-audited Amended Budget Report Number II for the 2023-2024 school year and attached hereto as Exhibit "A" has been reviewed and accepted by the Board of Directors of Star International Academy.

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Ali Beydoun, Vice President
SECONDER: Mariam Aoude, Secretary
AYES: Alsaeed, Beydoun, Aoude

ABSENT: Mroue, Koussan

E. PUBLIC COMMENTS/OPEN FORUM

PUBLIC PRESENT: Mark Nezich, Dr. Ali Bazzi, Rami Hamadeh, Haidar Nemer

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

F. OLD BUSINESS

None.

G. NEW BUSINESS

1. APPROVAL OF REQUESTING RENEWAL OF REGIONAL ENHANCEMENT MILLAGE

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

- 1. The Board of Directors of Star International Academy ("Academy") hereby requests that Wayne RESA submit to its electors the question of renewing and continuing the authority to levy a regional enhancement millage for 1.9812 mills for a period of six (6) years, 2028 to 2033 inclusive, at the general election to be held on November 5, 2024, pursuant to a ballot proposal substantially in the form attached hereto at Exhibit "A".
- 2. The Academy hereby approves the ballot wording of the regional enhancement millage renewal proposal substantially in the form attached hereto at Exhibit "A", provided that such ballot wording is subject to revision and finalization by Wayne RESA as may be necessary or convenient.
- 3. The Superintendent is hereby authorized and directed to deliver a certified copy of this resolution to the Secretary of the Board of Education of Wayne RESA.
- 4. All resolutions and parts of resolutions insofar as they conflict with the provisions of this Resolution be and the same hereby are rescinded.

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Mariam Aoude, Secretary
SECONDER: Ali Beydoun, Vice President
AYES: Alsaeed, Beydoun, Aoude

ABSENT: Mroue, Koussan

2. PRESENTATION OF PUBLIC ACT 48 END-OF-YEAR GOAL REPORTING

The Board of Directors of Star International Academy has been presented with the "Public Act 48 Plan End-of-Year Goal Reporting" as attached in Exhibit "A".

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Mariam Aoude, Secretary
SECONDER: Ali Beydoun, Vice President
AYES: Alsaeed, Beydoun, Aoude

ABSENT: Mroue, Koussan

3. APPROVAL OF MHSAA 2024-25 MEMBERSHIP

RESOLVED THAT, the Board hereby approves entering into the MHSAA Membership for the school year 2024-25 in the form attached hereto as Exhibit "A";

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Ali Beydoun, Vice President
SECONDER: Mariam Aoude, Secretary
AYES: Alsaeed, Beydoun, Aoude

ABSENT: Mroue, Koussan

4. APPROVAL AND SELECTION OF THE CONCRETE PROJECT

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

- 1. The Academy Board has reviewed the bid summary and recommendations from the Concrete Project Bid Review Committee for the Concrete Project vendor selection as attached hereto as Exhibit "A".
- 2. The Academy Board approves and believes it would be in the best interest of the Academy at this time to select and finalize the contract with the following vendors:

VENDOR	SERVICES
O & R Contracting	Concrete

- 3. The Academy Board President, Superintendent or Authorized Representative is hereby authorized, empowered, and directed to prepare, negotiate, modify or otherwise amend, execute and deliver any and all agreements, instruments and documents which relate to these resolutions, and are proper, necessary, convenient or desirable to carry out the intent of these Resolutions and are not materially adverse to the Academy.
- **4.** Any and all actions taken prior to the date of these Resolutions by the Board President, Superintendent or any Authorized Representative consistent with these Resolutions are hereby approved and ratified.
- **5.** Nothing in the foregoing Resolutions shall imply that the ultimate responsibility for approving the Bid rests with anyone other than the Academy Board.

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Mariam Aoude, Secretary
SECONDER: Ali Beydoun, Vice President
AYES: Alsaeed, Beydoun, Aoude

ABSENT: Mroue, Koussan

5. APPROVAL OF VENDORS

RESOLVED THAT, the Board of Directors of Star International Academy has reviewed, discussed and approves the Expenses and Costs as attached in Exhibit "A" and as follows.

RESOLVED THAT, the presented expenses and costs as attached in Exhibit "A" are hereby approved retroactively on behalf of the Academy.

VENDOR	SERVICES
Global Psychological	Provide IEP coordination, support, and training to special education staff
Professional Outreach	Special education staffing, management and consulting agency
MET Consulting	consulting & technical support services for the Academies
Stephen Higgerson	Stephen Higgerson consulting & technical support services for the Academies
KG Technologies, LLC. Academies	KG Technologies, LLC. consulting & technical support services for the Academies
Ajami Consulting, LLC. (AAC)	acting liaison and managing the Academies family engagement and
Jawan Beydoun	consulting services; ensuring compliance with the Authorizers, MDE, Academies and HES' requirements and guidelines.

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Mariam Aoude, Secretary
SECONDER: Ali Beydoun, Vice President
AYES: Alsaeed, Beydoun, Aoude

ABSENT: Mroue, Koussan

H. AUTHORIZER'S PRESENTATION/DISCUSSION

AUTHORIZER'S PRESENTATION/DISCUSSION:

None.

I. ADJOURNMENT

Motioned By: <u>Mariam Aoude</u> Supported By: <u>Ali Beydoun</u>

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the meeting be adjourned.

Meeting Adjourned at <a>[7:18 PM].