

# Urban Academy Charter School School Board Meeting April 16, 2012 Urban Academy – St. Paul, MN 5:30 PM

#### **MINUTES**

Board Members:	Ex-Officio Members:	Advisory Members:
Melissa Hansen		Luis Brown-Pena
Art Allen		🔀 Pamela Young
☐ Tamara Mattison		Fong Lor
⊠Barbara Shin		☐ Mai Saevang
Crystal Scott		⊠Ralph Elliott
Kristen Evans		
Michael Ahrnt		
Roger Sykes		
Staff and Guests Attendin	g:	I
Bryan Rossi		
Alicia Block		

Meeting called to order by Chair – M.Hansen at 5:35 PM Board Minutes taken by M. Ly

# **Acceptance of Agenda**

Change: Move Alicia Block to the beginning reports. Ms. Evans will not be presenting because of her absence.

Board Motion: Approve the agenda with the changes. Board Member motioning to approving agenda: Shin Board Member seconding the motion: Mattison

Unanimously approved.

## **Approval of March 26, 2012 Minutes**

Board Motion: Approve the Minutes.

Board Member motioning to approve minutes: Mattison

Board Member seconding the motion: Shin

Unanimously approved.

### **Conflict of Interest**

Nothing new to report

#### **Reports/Announcements**

- Dr. Bryan Ross (Novation Educational Opportunities) Introduction
- Pam Young (Designs for Learning) Training on Finance Reports
- Alicia Block (Title I Teacher- UA) Review Testing Policy 3.19

## Board Chair Updates - M. Hansen

• Nothing new to report

## Finance Chair Report - T. Mattison

- Balance Sheets
  - Nothing new or questions on the balance sheets.
- Check Register

Nothing new or questions on the check register.

• Journal Entry

Snap Shot Report:

- 1. TRA Teacher Retirement Association
- 2. Instructional Designs Curriculum/Instruction Consultant
- 3. Designs for Learning Finance Management, Special Ed, Human Resource Services

#### **Executive Director Report – M. Ly**

# **ADMINISTRATION DUTIES:**

- 1. Q Comp Application MDE has responded and needs revisions to be made. UA has 30 days to do the revision and resubmit.
- 2. Lease Aid Complete and submitted. Pending
- 3. Transportation Contract No Changes
- 4. Special Ed Contracts No Changes
- 5. Staff contracts completed/on-going with staff.

6. Approve Finance Auditor (HLB) for FY12 Audit

Board Motion: Approve UA to continue with HLB services for the FY12 Audit.

Board Member motioning to approving agenda: Ahrnt

Board Member seconding the motion: Mattison

Unanimously approved.

7. Approve Banking (Park Midway Bank)

Board Motion: Approve UA to continue to use Park Midway Bank.

Board Member motioning to approving agenda: Shin

Board Member seconding the motion: Mattison

Unanimously approved.

#### **OPERATIONS:**

1. Approve 2012-2013 School Calendar – Follow St. Paul Schools

Board Motion: Approve the 2012-2013 School Calendar for UA following the St. Paul Schools Calendar.

Board Member motioning to approving agenda: Ahrnt

Board Member seconding the motion: Sykes

Unanimously approved.

- 2. *Congratulations* 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade, Armya Williams, in Ms. Jen's classroom she is one of the essay winners for the 2012 MN Statewide Charter Essay Contest!
- 3. MCA testing takes place tomorrow (4/17) and Wednesday (4/18)! Good Luck to our kids.....

#### **BUDGET/FINANCE DISCUSSIONS:**

- 1. 990 Form has been completed and will be submitted shortly. An email will be sent with the 990.
- 2. Technology Walton Grant \$10,000 (Ipad mobile stations = 23 ipads/software)
- 3. St. Paul Foundation Grant Music = up to \$50,000.00 (pending)
- 4. Microsoft software Grant \$15,000 (software already ordered)
- 5. YW Reads Grant, in collaboration with YWCA for the reading program Renewing for the next several years. Approved!

Board Motion: Approve all reports. Board Member motioning: Shin

Board Member seconding the motion: Sykes

Unanimously Approved

# **Committee Reports/Comments**

#### **Old Business**

• Q comp – Regarding UA Q comp plan, the Board intends to support the plan in implementing the plan.

Board Motion: Approve to support UA's Q comp plan by the Board.

Board Member motioning: Shin

Board Member seconding the motion: Ahrnt

Unanimously Approved

#### **New Business**

# **Open Public Comments (Limited to 2 minutes)**

• No comments requested

Meeting adjourned at 6:35 PM

Next meeting will be held on May 21, 2012.