

Board Meeting Minutes – March 25th, 2020

Virtual Meeting over Zoom

This is due to COVID-19 Virus. For the safety of our board members and the public, we are making this meeting over Zoom

Our Vision

Quantum STEAM Academy models a sustainable, student-centered approach to education that fosters academic excellence, critical thinking, life-long learning, and global citizenship.

Our Mission

Quantum STEAM Academy accelerates learning through quality instruction, an integrated Arts & Sciences curriculum, and authentic collaboration that engages Leadership, Staff, Students, Families, and Communities in the Educational Enterprise.

CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL (6:00 PM)

Present Board Members:

Adnan Khan Shavkat Metekov Mahrous Kandil (Board Chair) Khalid Haddawi

Not in attendance:

Tammy Hansen

Public attendance:

None

A. Board members were reminded to report any conflict of interest.

B. APPROVAL OF MEETING AGENDA – 5 Minutes

a. Motion to approve meeting agenda as amended for March 25th 2020. Shavkat motioned, Adnan seconded. The motion passes unanimously.

C. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

a. Motion to approve meeting minutes of Feb. 26th 2020. Shavkat motioned, Adnan seconded. All in favor: 3. All opposed: 0. Abstained: 1 (Khalid).

D. Meeting Agenda:

UPDATE ON ORGANIZATIONAL MATTERS-

a. Consulting service for start-up coordinator. Start up work can be done either through a consulting company or by hiring a start-up coordinator. Based on CSP grant, the fund is



- under the 100s so we will go through the open and fair hiring process for start-up coordinator. Open and fair policy is discussed. A start-up coordinator position is posted on employment bulletins such as Edpost. We will convene as soon as possible for the hiring process.
- b. Lease discussion. The search committee has visited at least 4 facilities mainly in St. Paul. Some facilities were small and inadequate for future growth. Some were lacking reasonable parking lot. Some needed a lot of repairs. At the moment, facility located in MPLS at 620 Olson zooned for educational purposes and currently occupied by a charter school. The current school is moving out by end of June 2020 and available for leasing as of July 1st 2020. Motion to authorize the chairman of the board and facilities committee to negotiate a lease with the landlord of 620 Olson Memorial Highway facility. Adnan motioned, Shavkat seconded. The motion passes. Motion to authorize Dr. Mahrous to negotiate the lease agreement under the guidance of Tenant's legal counsel and NEO advisors. Dr. Mahrous motioned, Adnan seconded. The motion passes unanimously.
- c. Financial report and CSP grant. Motion to approve the updated CSP grant. The modified CSP grant is currently under review by MDE.
- d. Authorizers ready to open check list The chairman of the board is in contact with the ED of NEO regarding the facilities search and CSP grant.
- e. Others.....
- E. OLD BUSINESS -

MOTION TO ADJOURN

a. Motion to adjourn at 7:45 pm