



***Community School of Excellence District # 4181***  
***Board of Directors Meeting Minutes***  
***March 20, 2024 4:30 p.m. – Board Room***  
***270 Larpeur Avenue West, St. Paul MN 55113***

**Mission:** The Community School of Excellence develops global-minded leaders through high academic standards and real-life experiences.

**Vision:** Community School of Excellence is a catalyst for academic transformation.

**Board of Directors' Purpose:** To provide leadership, set policy, and develop accountability practices that will ensure high student achievement.

**Second location:** Children's Montessori Lobby Area, 2190 W Wayzata Blvd, Long lake, MN 55356

Name	8/16	9/20	10/18	11/15	12/6	1/17	2/21	3/20			
Terence Grey Jones	P	P	P	P	P	P	A	P			
Christie Keefer	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P			
TC Young	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P			
Xeng Xiong	P	P	P	P	A	P	P	P			
Faith Thao	P	A	P	A	A	P	P	P			
Say Vang	P	A	A	A	A	P	A	P			

1. Meeting- Meeting call to order by Board Chair Mr. Jones at 4:30 PM
  - a. Roll Call-
    - i. Board Members: Mr. Terence Jones, Mr. TC Young, Ms. Faith Thao, Ms. Christie Keefer, Ms. Say Vang (Virtual), Mr. Xeng Xiong
    - ii. Ex Officio: Ms. Kazoua Kong-Thao
    - iii. Guest: Ms. Julie Thao, Ms. Bobbi Hume, Ms. Rose Chin
2. Public Comments - No public comment
3. Conflict of Interest -
  - a. Young- No
  - b. Xiong- No
  - c. Thao- No
  - d. Vang- No
  - e. Keefer- No



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f. Jones- No

4. March 20, 2024 Agenda- Board Chair calls for any additional questions or comments on the agenda.
  - a. Ms. Keefer motioned to approve the March 20, 2024 agenda as presented: Ms. Thao seconded the motion.
    - i. All voted in favor
5. February 21, 2024 Meeting Minutes-Board Chair calls for any additional questions or comments on the meeting minutes
  - a. Ms. Keefer motioned to approve the February minutes as presented; Ms. Thao seconded the motion.
    - i. All voted in favor
6. February Financial and supplemental report- Ms. Chin presented the financial and supplemental report virtually.
  - a. Ms. Keefer motioned to approve the financial and supplemental report as presented; Ms. Thao seconded the motion.
    - i. Roll call: All voted in favor
      1. Keefer- Aye
      2. Thao- Aye
      3. Vang- Aye
      4. Xiong-Aye
      5. Young- Aye
      6. Jones- Aye
7. Academic Report - Dr. Hume shared the academic update with the Board of Director.
  - a. MCA testing will begin after spring break
  - b. Working with the authorizer to move from MAP testing to FastBridge for K-8 and STAR for 9-12 and PreK.
  - c. Adding Wit and Wisdom as a reading curriculum resource for K-8.



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8. Policy to be reviewed and or Adopt- Board Chair calls for any additional questions or comments on the policies: #419 Tobacco-Free Environment, #427 Workload Limits for Certain Special Education Teacher, #501 School Weapons, #522 Student Sex Non-Discrimination, #524 Internet Acceptable Use, #531 Pledge of Allegiance, #715 Purchasing, Procurement, contracting and Acceptable of Gifts
  - a. Ms. Keefer motioned to adopt policies: 419, 427,501,522,524,531,715 as presented; Ms. Thao seconded the motion.
    - i. All voted in favor
9. CEO/CAO Update-Ms. Kong-Thao shared the following updates with the Board of Directors.
  - a. Spring conference coming up on March 20-21, 2024.
  - b. Next family engagement will be on March 28, 2024.
  - c. Spring break is from April 8th-12th, 2024.
10. Other
  - a. Election Update
    - i. There are 3 nominations: Mr. Terence Jones, Mr. Xeng Xiong, and Mr. Naton Vang.
11. Adjourn- Board chair adjourned the meeting at 5:30 PM.