

**Minutes of Meeting**

**Mission**

The mission of Noble Academy is to provide quality, relevant and multicultural education for all students. The unique framework is relevancy, which is a critical component for the learning process if and when the students can build on their prior knowledge. Learning makes more sense and is more connected when students can relate to the content and/or topics being taught. This school will serve students ages 5-14 in the metro areas. Noble Academy will focus on these three cornerstones surrounding the educational philosophy of the school:

- A rigorous educational program focusing on core content areas and standards mandated by the state of Minnesota in reading, writing, mathematics, science, and social studies
- *Hmong Heritage (native) language and culture*
- *Responsive classroom/social curriculum*

**Board of Directors' Purpose**

To provide leadership, set policy, and develop accountability practices that will ensure high student achievement.

**Roll Call:** KoukhaSha Kue, Ge Yang, Su Yang, Neng Yang

**Absent:** Cherpeng Thao

**Guest:** Neal Thao, Mike Pocrnich

**Call to Order:** Meeting was called to order at 6:30 P.M. by Ge Yang.

**Agenda:**

**Motion:** Su Yang moved to approve the meeting agenda. KoukhaSha Kue seconded and all voted in favor.

**Motion:** KoukhaSha Kue moved to approve the meeting minutes 9/30/10. Su Yang seconded and all voted in favor.

**Motion:** Su Yang moved to accept last month's financial statement along with this month's financial statement. Neng Yang seconded and all voted in favor.

**Motion:** Su Yang moved to approve the Director's Report with the following decisions made: 1) The board will attend the strategic plan meeting on November 13<sup>th</sup>, 2) KoukhaSha Kue has also filled the position on the grade level expansion team, representing the board and will attend the planning meetings. KoukhaSha Kue seconded and all voted in favor.

**Discussion:** The board reviewed the proposed school improvement plan and discussed the major parts of the application, for example, the needs assessment and goals.

**Motion:** Su Yang moved to approve the addendum for the first amendment lease aid. Neng Yang seconded the motion and all voted in favor.

**Discussion:** The board concluded that Cherpeng Thao's title as a board member has been removed when he was let go from Noble Academy, as according to the Noble Academy Bylaw Section 3.10 Removal.

**Motion:** Neng Yang moved that Su Yang will draft a letter in response to Cherpeng Thao's position as board member and a certificate of appreciation will be put together for him. Su Yang seconded and all voted in favor.

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**Deleted:** has set November 13<sup>th</sup> as the date to meet to plan the SES program as required by MDE.

**Announcements:** Neal will be out of town from Thursday, October 28, 2010 to Sunday October 31, 2010 for the ASCD training. The Noble Academy New Year will be held on Thursday, December 16, 2010 from 6:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M. at Brooklyn Center High School.

**Next Meeting:** Next Meeting is scheduled for November 18, 2010 at 6:30 P.M.

**Adjournment:** Meeting adjourned at 7:37 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

KoukhaSha Kue