

Noble Academy -- District # 4171
Interim Board of Director's Meeting, May 5, 2008
6717 85th Ave N., Brooklyn Park, MN 55443

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: Neal Thao, CherPheng Thao, and Aemillianna Thao, and Matthew Xiong

Absent: Xulivong Moua, Ge Yang, Leeseng Yang

Guest: Mike Pornich, Brian Ingvalson, and Pat Magwire

Call to Order:

Meeting was called to order at 6:37 P.M. by Neal Thao

Agenda:

Motion: Vision Expressed was moved after the Treasure's Report; Aemillianna Thao moved to accept the agenda with amended; Matthew Xiong seconded and was approved unanimously.

Motion: Aemillianna Thao moved to approve the minutes, Cherpheng Thao seconded and all voted in favor.

Treasurer's Report:

Motion: Aemillianna Thao moved to approved treasure's report, Matthew Xiong seconded, and all voted in favor.

Principal and Curriculum Report

Motion: Neal Thao moved to accept Principal’s Report, Matthew Xiong seconded and all voted in favor.

Director’s Report from Neal Thao:

- Q Comp Program. See attachment
- Noble Academy hosted our first Book Fair at Barns & Noble in Maple Grove on April 8, 2008. See attachment
- Noble Academy hosted our first Fundraising Party at Lao Family on April 19, 2008. See attachment.
- Mike Porcnich, Lisa and Neal met with Eagle Community Bank for our building phase II on April 22, 2008.
- Noble Academy tentative Master Schedule-See attachment.
- Met with Dan Burg, Monarch Bus Service, Inc. on April 30.
- Patty Bruce introduces our new health benefits to all staff on May 1, 2008.
- MN Association of Charter Schools- A Policy Statement on Public Charter Schools and Religion. See attachment.
- MCA II Assessment was done and ready to be picked up May 5, 2008.
- Delegated Alece to in charge the LAS Assessment. I anticipate the test will get done by this Friday, May 9, 2008.
- A 5 years Lease Agreement was given to Gene Tarnowski on Thursday, May 1, 2008.
- Noble Academy last conference was scheduled for Friday, May 2-6.
- Student enrollment as of May 5, 2008.

Kindergarten	First Grade	Second Grade	Third Grade	Fourth Grade	Fifth Grade	Sixth Grade	Total Enrolled
76	32	28	40	30	25		=231
33 (08-09)	3	2	1	0	0	2	=41

Q Comp:

- The Q Comp application was discussed.

Vision Expressed:

- Matthew Xiong moved to accept Vision Expressed contract, Aemillianna Thao seconded and all voted in favor.

School Candle:

- Aemillianna Thao moved to accept School Calendar for school year 2008-2009, Matthew Xiong seconded, and all voted in favor.

ISES MN Special Education:

- Cherpheng Thao moved to accept ISES contract to service Noble Academy Special Education students for school year 2008-2009. Neal Thao seconded, and all voted in favor.

Monarch Bus Company:

- Aemillianna Thao moved to accept Monarch Bus Company to service as transportation provider for Noble Academy students for school year 2008-2009. Cherpheng Thao seconded and all voted in favor.

Word By Mouth:

- Word by Mouth's contract was discussed.

Next Meeting: Next Meeting is scheduled for May 19, 2008 at 6:30 P.M.

Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 9:15 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Aemillianna Thao