

**Higher Ground Academy
Board of Directors Meeting
January 20, 2010
4:00 p.m.**

Minutes

Present: Odessa Bond, Rich Rolle, Bill Wilson, Carl Schoenbeck, Samuel Yigsaw, Brenda Hasan-Jackson, Abdulkdir Mohamud, Dr. Samatar, Brenda Kes

1. The meeting was called to order by Rich Rolle 4:05 p.m.
2. The agenda was approved.
3. The minutes of the December meeting will be approved at the next meeting.
4. Bill Wilson gave the Executive Director's report:
 - a. Current enrollment this year is at 668.
 - b. The prekindergarten program opened today with 37 children;
 - c. The new addition has been completed. The renovation is on-going.
 - d. HGA has been designated as one the top schools in the country by Newsweek. 35 schools were recognized within the state of MN.
5. The document Policy for Teachers and Other Licensed Staff Articles 1-5, which was distributed with the agenda, was reviewed. It was suggested that Section 1 be clarified regarding delegation to designated representatives. It was suggested that conflict of interest policies be included.
6. It was moved, seconded and passed to approved Articles 1-5
7. The following financial reports were reviewed.
 - a. Balance sheet 2nd qtr. as of 12/31/09
 - b. Accounts Payable Checks and Wire Payment
 - c. Financial Report Year Ended June 30, 2009
8. Brenda Kes presented a new format for the monthly financial reports to the board.
9. It was moved, seconded and passed to approve the financial packet including the following:
 - a. The Balance sheet 2nd quarter as of 12/31/09
 - b. Accounts Payable Checks and Wire Payment July 2009 through December 2009. The 2008-09 financial report and audit was reviewed. Brenda Kes distributed and reviewed the Management Report Summary. There were no findings or material weaknesses.
10. It was moved, seconded, and passed to accept the audit for 2008-09.
11. It was moved, seconded, and passed to adjourn the meeting.
12. The next meeting of the board will be March 20, 2010 at 4:00 p.m.

Minutes taken by Carl Schoenbeck