



Vision Statement: To develop globally conscious student inventors.
Mission Statement: Innovation Science and Technology Academy Charter School will develop talented student innovators using a cutting-edge curriculum with the collaborative support of staff, parents, and community. The collaborative culture and healthy school climate will foster personalized learning and ignite the power of imagination and creativity in our students who will grow to be critical thinkers, problem solvers, and agents of change.

INNOVATION ACADEMY BOARD MEETING MINUTES- DATE: JULY 14, 2021

Board Members	Present	Absent
Anna Young		X
Khalid Ansari	X	
Abdinasser Ahmed		X
Adebimpe Diji	X	
Yien Douth	X	
Miranda Adio	X	
Elizabeth Jingwa	X	
Others Present		
Omotoke Olatoye-Executive Director-Ex-Officio	X	
TAG -Business Office	X	
NEO	X	
1. Call to Order		
By: Interim Chair-Miranda	Time: 7:08 PM	
Read Mission-Vision-Mission & Norms		
2) Motion to adopt the Agenda		
Motion: To adopt the July Meeting Agenda		
Made by: Ms. Miranda	Seconded by: Ms. Elizabeth	
Discussion: None		
Vote: Approved 5: 0. Motion passed		
3) Motion to adopt the June Meeting Minutes		
Motion: To adopt the June Meeting Minutes		
Made by: Dr. D.	Seconded by: Mr. Douth	
Vote: Approved 5:0 Motion passed		
4. Conflict of interest		
Discussion: Any conflict of interest? None identified.		
5. NEO-Authorizers' observation		
We had an observer from NEO. Ms. Wendy commended the efforts of the board.		
Discussion:		
6. Director's Report		
i) Resignation of Anna Young as the board chair		
Motion: To accept the resignation		
Made by: Dr.D.	Seconded by: Ms. Elizabeth	

Discussion: The board commended Ms. Anna as a calm and visionary leader who will be missed. We are glad she is still on the board as a board member. The resignation as the board chair was accepted.	
Vote: Approved 5:0 motion passed	
Motion: To approve vendors, curriculum, new and returning staff.	
Made by: Mr. Ansari	Seconded by: Mr. Douth
Discussion: The Director presented the list of vendors, new staff, returning staff, and curriculum. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Vendors for approval: Jokky Catering, Leading Educational, and NorthStar Bus Lines LLC. b) New staff and existing staff for approval: Names given to the board. c) Lease application approved and the agreement signed by board of directors via DocuSign. 	
The board acknowledged the presence of the new business office and gave Innovation Academy's warm welcome to Scott and Robin as we partner to ensure the financial viability of the school. The Anton group has the proven record of working tirelessly with the school and board in ensuring the financial viability of charter schools.	
The names of the returning staff were presented and approved.	
The names of new staff were presented and approved.	
The director gave the updates on recruitment and fundraising. The school has actively participated in local events including Blaine Family Festival, Andover Family Festival and Anoka County Fair in addition to using the social media word of mouth. The DONATE button on the school website is up and running again, and board members should continue in their efforts to network for donors.	
Curriculum for renewal and for approval: SAVVAS, HighScope, COR Advantage, NWEA testing, Seesaw for approval and HMH for renewal.	
Vote: 5:0- All the vendors, new staff, returning staff and curriculum listed above were approved.	
7) Financial Report-TAG	
Motion: To approve the June Financial Report	
Made by: Dr. D.	Seconded by: Ms Miranda
Discussion: Discussion: No June Financial Report was presented because of the transition. However, cashflow and check register were presented.	
Vote: Approved 5:0 motion passed	
8) Board Training	
Discussion: Today, the board learned the requirements for contracting with staff to follow employment policies and practices and also requirements for contracting with the landlord. The interim board chair reminded board members of the need to complete the board training for the effectiveness of the board.	

9) Upcoming Agenda

Discussion: Recruitment and Fundraising among other items.

10) Meeting Adjourned

Motion: To adjourn the meeting

Made by: Ms. Elizabeth

Seconded by: Mr. Ansari

Discussion: The meeting was adjourned at 8:02pm
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Vote: Approved 5:0 motion passed
