

Ubah Medical Academy
Regular School Board Meeting

Minutes of the Board Meeting held on Saturday, January 8, 2011, 1:00pm, at the International Education Center, 277 12th Avenue North, Room #120, Minneapolis, MN 55401

MEMBERS PRESENT: Board Chair Mr Abdirashid Warsame, Treasurer Mr Abdullah Mohamed, Teacher Members Mr Nathan Starks, Ms Lisa Bittner, and Dr Paul Fenno , Community Members Mr Ali Muse and Mr Abdihakim Isse.

EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS PRESENT: Authorizer Representative Dr. James Gross of Century College and Director of Ubah Medical Academy Mr Musa Farah.

ALSO PRESENT: Associate Director of Ubah Medical Academy Mr Patrick Exner, Business Manager Mr Mohamed Aden, and Ubah Medical Academy Teachers Mr David Kimori and Ms Nancy Mack

1.0 Welcome and Member Contact Detail Confirmation

2.0 Approve Agenda – Approved

3.0 Minutes from the previous Meeting of November 13th, 2010 – Approved

4.0 Business arising from the Minutes of October 16th, 2010

4.1 Minutes from the Meeting of September 18th, 2010 - Tabled

4.2 Board Member Vacancies - Approved

5.0 Treasurer’s Report

5.1 July 2010-December 2010 YTD Report - Received

6.0 Authorizer’s Report

Dr James Gross, Century College Representative, reported:

- a) Century College greatly appreciates their role as Authorizer for Ubah Medical Academy.
- b) Century is now at the mid-year point with high enrollment, but also facing expense concerns.
- c) Promising year so far with respect to progressing on a variety of projects and seeking outside grants.
- d) Pursuing the “Achieve the Dream” Program where the underrepresented in colleges are represented.
- e) Dr. Gross is currently involved in a solar energy program
- f) Century is nearing the end of construction on both the East and West campus
- g) Colleagues send highest regards to Ubah Medical Academy.
- h) As Century enters final semester it is continuing its interview process in seeking a new president.
- i) Century is firmly supportive of Ubah Medical Academy’s efforts towards locating a new authorizer.

7.0 Director’s Report

Mr Musa Farah Reported:

- a) The school is seeing growth in both math and reading.
- b) There is an expectation held by administration and staff that there is room for further improvement, but there is still a lot of work ahead.
- c) Mr Musa turned the report to Mr Patrick Exner who reported the following:
The plan follows the mission that every student is college ready-
 - i. After School Program: This program was started due to the request from parents and the ongoing vision of Ubah to make every student college ready. The program is in its fourth week of operation and student participation has significantly

- increased. This program could not be offered without the hard work of the teachers and the parents willingness to aid facilitating transportation for their children.
- ii. College in the Schools-Literature: Ubah continues to offer this program, which permits some students to receive college credit. The University of Minnesota oversee the program and it is taught by Mr. Patrick. Over the past week students attended the their final field day at the University of Minnesota. Ten students were selected from across the state of Minnesota to read their essays on the topic of “Post Modernism”. Ubah student Ahmed Abdulle was selected to participate and read his work entitled “There is no Center”.
 - iii. Poetry Out Loud: Ubah hosted its all school “Poetry out Loud” Competition. Ubah Alumna Hibaq Mohamed served as a guest speaker to the program. Ubah congratulates this year’s winners-in first place tenth grader Samira Mohamed and second place ninth grader Amal Warsame.
- d) Mr Patrick turned over the report to Mr Musa reported that the current enrollment is 215.
 - e) Mr Musa passed out the Year to Date audit for Ubah Medical Academy and asked board members to review the information and be prepared for discussion of the Audit at the next board meeting.

8.0 Other Reports and Action Items

8.1 2010-2011 Board Annual Policy Review Calendar - Discussed

8.2 Policy Readings and January

515 Protection and Privacy of Pupil Records and Public Notice &
Juvenile Justice System Request for Information, 516 Student Medication, and 521
Student Disability Nondiscrimination – Board members to review

9.0 Adjournment at 2:00pm

Next Meeting Scheduled: February 5, 2011