

TSMS
GOVERNING BOARD MEETING MINUTES

3434 North Monroe St.

Tallahassee, FL 32303

Wednesday , December 18th, 2024

5:00 pm

- 1- Call to order
- 2- Approval of the agenda items
- 3- Public Remarks
- 4- Principal Remarks
- 5- Approval of Board meetings minutes (8/28/2024)
- 6- Review of Form 990 (TSMS Tax Return)
- 7- Title-I Update
- 8- School Financials
- 9- Closure of the meeting

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Additional Information

- Board members present -

Dr. Dogan Tozoglu, Dr. Mark Bourassa, Dr. Ugur Baslanti,

Issues/Items motioned and voted on by Governing Board Members:

1. The Board meeting was called to order at 5:12 pm
2. **Approval of the agenda items** – Dr. Tozoglu moved to approve the agenda items as it is presented. Dr. Baslanti 2nd the motion. **The Board unanimously approved the agenda item.**
3. **Public Remarks** – There were no public remarks.
4. **Principal Remarks** –Principal Ozsahin mentioned that, as you know, the first term ends this weekend, and the school will reopen on January 6th. This term, we organized several activities for our students and parents, and the participation was quite good. We encouraged our students to take part in competitions and provided them with training. Principal Ozsahin also noted that, as of today, we have 620 students, 50 of whom are 8th-grade students. We asked the other students whether they plan to continue at our school next year, and only 10 of them indicated that they would not. In light of this, we will need to recruit kindergarten students for next year, as we won't have space for new students in other grades. Still, Dr. Dogan reminded us of marketing strategies to attract new students. Principal Ozsahin also discussed the challenges of finding qualified employees in Tallahassee. Dr. Dogan then reminded us of H1 and J1 visa options for hiring qualified staff and suggested that, as a temporary solution, we could consider hiring personnel from local counseling firms. Dr. Baslanti proposed that retired, qualified teachers could be employed part-time to help address the staffing issue.
5. **Approval of Board meetings minutes (08/28/2024)** – Dr. Tozoglu moved to approve the agenda items as presented. Dr. Baslanti 2nd the motion. **The Board unanimously approved the agenda item.**

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6. **Approval of the Form 990 (TSMS Tax Return)**- As the school completed the year, its governmental funds reported a combined fund balance of \$1,326,572. Dr. Tozoglu said that we are in good shape and suggested comparing the budget reports from the last two years to see the differences. Dr. Tozoglu moved to approve the agenda items as presented. Dr. Baslanti 2nd the motion. **The Board unanimously approved the agenda item.**
7. **Title-I Updates**—Mr. Yakisikli stated that Title I's financial documents were submitted on time. He also mentioned that parent involvement and activities are being overseen by Dr. Rice, and the related documents have been submitted up to date. Dr. Tozoglu moved to approve the agenda items as presented. Dr. Baslanti 2nd the motion. **The Board unanimously approved the agenda item.**
8. **School Financials**— Mr. Yakisikli reviewed the financial statements and noted that the school is still receiving FTE revenue based on 585 students. However, with the updated numbers, TSMS may receive FTE revenue based on 620 students. Our FTE projected budget was based on 620 students, and we are able to meet our goal. . Dr. Tozoglu moved to approve the agenda items as presented. Dr. Baslanti 2nd the motion. **The Board unanimously approved the agenda item.**
9. **Closure of the meeting** – Dr. Tozoglu moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Baslanti 2nd the motion and the meeting were adjourned at 5:47



Dr. Dogan Tozoglu, President