

ACA SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Meeting # 4 (School Year 2018-2019)

Friday, December 12, 2018

Attendance: Irfan Choudhery, Nisreen Abdeljaber , Dalal Jawad, Rawia Gaffar, Fozia Basharat, Debora Kamel, Rheem Kabbani , Asma Hussain, Bilal Choudhery, Mariam Ewais, Dr. S. Tomeh, Samah Bkhaitan, Jamil Aboud, Ahlam Samad, Safia Dide, Tammy Mai, Christine Choudhery,

Absentees: Patrick Fitzpatrick, Derrick Peat, Shaun Rana

Brother Irfan performed the opening Dua.

General Updates:

The last Council meeting was conducted on November 30. Due to the limited timeframe between meeting number three and four, it was decided to skip the various updates usually provided in the beginning of the meeting. The key focus of the meeting was to conduct a possible war on the detention policy and to review the upcoming school calendar.

PTA Update:

- None

Sports Update:

- None

Principal's Update:

- None

Correction:

The following correction was made to the minutes from November 30 (meeting # 3). The names for three Council members were missing from the attendance (Sister Rawia, Safia and Brother Shaun). Required corrections were made.

School Calendar:

- Sister Samah Bkhaitan presented the calendar for 2019-20 school year.
- The overall layout of the calendar is very similar to the previous year although certain modifications were made due to the early arrival of Ramadan and its potential impact on school.
- Questions from various Council members were raised about the Eid break scheduled from Aug 6th through 9th, 2019
- No changes were made in the calendar presented by Sister Samah Bkhaitan

- School calendar was approved unanimously without any changes by the Council

Detention Policy:

The updated version of the detention policy was handed out based on the discussions and changes made during meeting # 3, November 30, 2018.

Updated version was reviewed

In addition to the changes made during meeting # 3, November 30, 2018, following changes were made during this meeting:

- Page 3, the word “current” in “Food in Class” was changed to “current”
- Page 3, “Cutting of Class” was changed to “Skipping Class”
- Page 3, “Without the permission of a teacher” changed to “Without the permission of the staff member”

The following motion was presented.

“To adopt the detention policy, as amended based on changes made during the meeting today and before”.

Sister Dalal seconded the motion. Voting was conducted.

Voting Results:

- 8 Members Agreed to Adopt the Policy
- 4 Members Opposed Adoption of the Policy
- 2 Members Abstained
- Detention policy was approved

Meeting adjourned at 4:37 PM

Closing Dua conducted by Sister Samah

Next meeting will be conducted on for January 11th, 2019