



Granada Islamic School

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Principal

Date: 1/18/2017

Board Members Attending: Mizanur Rahman, Maidul Islam, Luqman Mohammed, Bassem Maaz, Razi Mohammed

Board Members Absent: Khadiga El-Haddad, Naeem Ansari

Also Present: Sr. Rania

Topic 1: Approval of Minutes 1/4

- The board has approved the minutes from the meeting 1/4.

Topic 2: Admin Points

- The board discussed some of the admin items.

Class Size

- Sr. Rania discussed with the board regarding the class size for 2017-18 school year. She also mentioned about the quality of the education.
- The board mentioned that the class size policy has been there for a long time:
 - Lower grade : 25 students
 - Middle and upper grade: 30 students
- The board's intent is always to keep the number of students for lower grade section around 20. Moreover the facility constraint also plays a big role for the class size.
- The board has not made any changes to the class size policy recently. This policy has been continuing for more than 10 years.
- The board also mentioned that if the number of students in lower grade goes more than 25, the board might add TA on adhoc basis to that section (need basis). Also at least 18 students are needed to open a new section at lower grade.

Calendar 2017-18

- The board approved the calendar for 2017-18 school year with some adjustment.
- Sr. Rania is going to communicate the calendar to the parents.

Teacher Mid-Year Survey

- The board asked Sr. Rania regarding teacher mid-year survey result.
- Sr. Rania mentioned that she had shared the survey results with individual teachers.
- Sr. Rania is going to share the results with the board soon.



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- Based on survey result, Sr. Rania would like to make some changes for teacher allotment for 2017-18 school year. More detail will be in the confidential section of this minutes.

Topic 3: Science Lab Upgrade

- The board has discussed the cost for Science Lab upgrade.
- The estimated cost is around 300K and so, the board has decided to add this an item for the upcoming Fundraising Dinner Event.

Topic 4: Khalil Center Proposal

- The board has discussed Khalil center proposal for emotional support of students.
- The board would like to get more information from admin:
 - how many students would need support
 - previous history data for emotional need in the school
- MCA has already some established contract with Khalil center and the board would like to see if that can be leveraged for GIS as well.
- The board would also like to find whether Khalil center/similar support organization can be engaged with reduced cost and budget. The current proposal from Khalil center seems to be higher in terms of costs for the service they have offered in the proposal.
- The board would like to spend more time in exploring all possibilities and has decided to discuss more in this topic in future meetings.