



**Oshki Ogimaag Community School
Regular Meeting Minutes**

Date: May 20, 2020

Time: 4:31 P.M.

Place: Zoom

Present: John Morrin, Travis Novitsky, Leslie Olson, Erik Redix, Yastrienne Spry, and Patty Winchell-Dahl. Also present Carmen Keyport, Director, Nalani McCutcheon, Associate Director of Charter School Authorizing, Audubon Center of the North Woods, and Mary Sherer, Paraprofessional (notetaker). Absent: Carol Cleveland (excused).

- 0.0 No Public and Parent comments.
- 1.0 Call meeting to order 4:31 P.M.
- 2.0 Reading of Mission Statement, Yastrienne Spry.
- 3.0 Roll call with quorum present.
- 4.0 Director updated Board on recent interviews for vacant classroom teacher (grades 4-6). Offer was made to one candidate who has not yet accepted. Director also noted that school floors will be waxed in the summer by Transportation Director assisted by Kat Sherer, 4-6 paraprofessional. Motion by Patty Winchell-Dahl, second by Travis Novitsky to approve agenda items, Director and Teacher reports, and minutes from April 15, 2020 meeting. Morrin-aye; Novitsky-aye; Redix-aye; Spry-aye; Winchell-Dahl-aye; motion carried 5-0.
- 5.0 Motion by Erik Redix, second by Yastrienne Spry to approve Financial Expenditures & Revenues for April. Morrin-aye; Novitsky-aye; Redix-aye; Spry-aye; Winchell-Dahl-aye; motion carried 5-0.
- 6.0 Motion by Patty Winchell-Dahl, second by Erik Redix to approve immediate resignation of Jeanne Vogel. Morrin-aye; Novitsky-aye; Redix-aye; Spry-aye; Winchell-Dahl-aye; motion carried 5-0.
- 7.0 Winchell-Dahl asked if exit interviews were conducted for employees resigning, Director responded that nothing formal is conducted. Motion by Yastrienne Spry, second by John Morrin to approve resignation of Sue Smith effective June 30, 2020. Morrin-aye; Novitsky-aye; Redix-aye; Spry-aye; Winchell-Dahl-aye; motion carried 5-0.
- 8.0 Discussion of Audubon notes from last two school board meetings. Director pointed to the recommendation that the schools academic goals should be discussed by the Board four times per year. Winchell-Dahl asked what was the best way to make this happen. McCutcheon clarified that goals were related to student attendance, the school's mission, and Environmental Education goals. McCutcheon suggested that the minutes the board meeting should reflect that the Board is aware of the goals and how we are working toward achieving the goals.
- 9.0 Director noted that Tiny Eye's fees for speech and OT services were the same as last year and it was her recommendation to continue using them. Motion by Travis Novitsky, second by Patty Winchell-Dahl to approve using Tiny Eye for speech and OT services for 2020-21 SY. Morrin-aye; Novitsky-aye; Redix-aye; Spry-aye; Winchell-Dahl-aye; motion carried 5-0.

- 10.0 Director reported that Minnesota Association Charter Schools (MACS) membership cost \$1270 per year. This is based on student enrollment and is the lowest rate they charge. Director added Oshki has been a member of MACS for past four years and they provide daily training via Zoom. Motion by Erik Redix, second by John Morrin to approve Minnesota Association Charter Schools (MACS) membership for 2020-2021. Morrin-aye; Novitsky-aye; Redix-aye; Spry-aye; Winchell-Dahl-aye; motion carried 5-0.
- 11.0 Board training: discussion of Chapter 11: *Book of Charter School Board* led by Leslie Olson. Reading argued that it is important that board members have other jobs and/or roles in the community and are not just full-time board members. The reading used the metaphor of a cruise ship: the Board directs the Director and the Director directs staff. It was stressed once again that no party should micromanage. Winchell-Dahl will lead discussion of Chapter 12 next meeting.
- 12.0 Motion by Erik Redix, second by Patty Winchell-Dahl to adjourn 5:38 P.M.

Next board meeting June 17, 2020 at 4:30 P.M.