OSHKI OGIMAAG CHARTER SCHOOL

The mission of Oshki Ogimaag Community School is to create a learning environment of excellence based upon traditional teachings. Rooted in Anishinaabe language and culture we will prepare students through hands-on, community-based projects to be lifelong learners that reach their personal and academic potential; preserve the Anishinaabe language and culture; and contribute to the wellness of future generations.

OOCS Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
Oshki Ogimaag Community School
73 Upper Bay Road, Grand Portage MN
Meeting Date: Wednesday, August 19 2026

1.0 Call Meeting to Order, Roll Call of Board Members, Quorum Declaration
1. 1 Call to order

1.2 Board Members Present:

Tesha Dickenson, Parent Member, Chair Person

John Morrin, Community Member, Treasurer

Patty Winchell-Dahl, Community Member

Board Members Absent:

Kristin Lindemuth, Parent Member, Vice-Chairperson

Agatha Armstrong, Community Member

Visitors present: Pam Zahn - Business Manager, Yanne Spry - Office Manager, notetaker, Jeana Isaac - teacher.

2.0 Reading of the Mission Statement by: Cherie James. Jeana suggested that the mission statement be written in Ojibwe.

3.0 Declaration of Conflict of Interest: No conflicts declared.

4.0 Community Comment: Discussion of the school name (Community vs Charter). Ms. Winchell-Dahl moved to nominate Ms. Isaac to the board. Motion seconded by Mr. Morrin. Motion passed unanimously. (Voting aye: Ms. Dickenson, Mr. Morrin, Ms. Winchell-Dahl). Ms. Isaac accepted the nomination and now she's sitting on the board as a teacher member.

5.0 Ms. Winchell-Dahl moved to approve the agenda. With the change of date from the 18th to the 19th. Motion seconded by Mr. Morrin. Motion passed unanimously. (Voting aye: Ms. Dickenson, Ms. Isaac, Mr. Morrin, Ms. Winchell-Dahl).

6.0 Ms. Winchell-Dahl moved to approve May 29, 2026 minutes. Cherie explained why there are multiple minutes to be approved which might already have been approved. Motion seconded by Ms. Isaac. Motion passed unanimously. (Voting aye: Ms. Dickenson, Ms. Isaac, Mr. Morrin, Ms. Winchell-Dahl).

7.0 Mr. Morrin moved to approve June 15, 2026 minutes. Motion seconded by Ms. Winchell Dahl. Motion passed unanimously. (Voting aye: Ms. Dickenson, Ms. Isaac, Mr. Morrin, Ms. Winchell-Dahl).

8.0 Ms. Isaac moved to approve July 15, 2026 minutes. Motion seconded by Ms. Winchell Dahl. Motion passed unanimously. (Voting aye: Ms. Dickenson, Ms. Isaac, Mr. Morrin, Ms. Winchell-Dahl).

9.0 Finance Reports Discussion

9.1 Ms. Winchell-Dahl moved to approve July Financials. Motion seconded by Ms. Isaac. Motion passed unanimously. (Voting aye: Ms. Dickenson, Ms. Isaac, Mr. Morrin, Ms. Winchell-Dahl).

9.2 Ms. Dickenson moved to approve Auditor Engagement Letter Miller McDonald. Motion seconded by Ms. Winchell-Dahl. Motion passed unanimously. (Voting aye: Ms. Dickenson, Ms. Isaac, Mr. Morrin, Ms. Winchell-Dahl).

9.3 Approval and Discussion of MN Paid Leave. Discussion of whether the school or the employees will pay. The Board unanimously agreed for the employees to pay the .44% of their wages. **Ms. Dickenson moved to approve MN Paid Leave.** Motion seconded by Ms. Isaac. Motion passed unanimously. (Voting aye: Ms. Dickenson, Ms. Isaac, Mr. Morrin, Ms. Winchell-Dahl).

9.4 Ms. Isaac moved to approve the SpEd Forms contract. Motion seconded by Mr. Morrin. Motion passed unanimously. (Voting aye: Ms. Dickenson, Ms. Isaac, Mr. Morrin, Ms. Winchell-Dahl).

9.5 Ms. Dickenson moved to approve the Charter Release Agreement. Motion seconded by Ms. Winchell-Dahl. Motion passed unanimously. (Voting aye: Ms. Dickenson, Ms. Isaac, Mr. Morrin, Ms. Winchell-Dahl).

9.6 Staffing: Ms. Isaac moved to approve non renewals: Alyce Kuenzli, Terrance Lightfeather; resignation: Katheryn Sherer; new hires: Peter Mott, Hailey Minnema, Yanne Spry, Jeannie Johnson. Motion seconded by Ms. Winchell-Dahl. Motion passed unanimously. (Voting aye: Ms. Dickenson, Ms. Isaac, Mr. Morrin, Ms. Winchell-Dahl).

9.7 Ms. Winchell-Dahl moved to approve the Benefits Stipend for FY 26-27. The stipend is $350 per month per employee. Motion seconded by Ms. Dickenson. Motion passed unanimously. (Voting aye: Ms. Dickenson, Ms. Isaac, Mr. Morrin, Ms. Winchell-Dahl).

10.0 Ms. Winchell-Dahl moved to approve Executive Director Evaluation Policy. Discussion of executive director evaluation policy. Motion seconded by Mr. Morrin. Motion passed unanimously. (Voting aye: Ms. Dickenson, Ms. Isaac, Mr. Morrin, Ms. Winchell-Dahl).

11.0 Ms. Isaac moved to approve the Teacher Evaluation Plan. Discussion of teacher evaluation plan. It will be done twice a year but at least once a year. Motion seconded by Mr. Morrin. Motion passed unanimously. (Voting aye: Ms. Dickenson, Ms. Isaac, Mr. Morrin, Ms. Winchell-Dahl).

12.0 Ms. Winchell-Dahl moved to approve the Language Access Plan. Motion seconded by Mr. Morrin. Motion passed unanimously. (Voting aye: Ms. Dickenson, Ms. Isaac, Mr. Morrin, Ms. Winchell-Dahl).

13.0 Ms. Dickenson moved to approve the Pledge of Allegiance Waiver. Motion seconded by Ms. Isaac. Motion passed unanimously. (Voting aye: Ms. Dickenson, Ms. Isaac, Mr. Morrin, Ms. Winchell-Dahl).

14.0 Director's Report. Discussion of substitute teachers. Discussion of school open house.

15.0 Osprey Wilds Notice of Concern. Discussion of the status of the tasks on compliance spreadsheet from Osprey Wilds. Discussion of Board training. Discussion of Board election. Discussion of complaint policy.

16.0 Adjournment: Motion to adjourn made by Ms. Dickenson at 6:17pm. Motion seconded by Mr. Morrin. Motion passed unanimously. (Voting aye: Ms. Dickenson, Ms. Isaac, Mr. Morrin, Ms. Winchell-Dahl).

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OOCS Board Secretary Signature Date