

Oshki Ogimaag Community School Regular Meeting Minutes

Date: September 15, 2021

Time: 4:38 P.M.

Place: Oshki Ogimaag Community School Conference Area

- 0.0 No Public and Parent comments.
- 1.0 Call meeting to order 4:38 P.M.
- 2.0 Reading of Mission Statement, John Morrin.
- 3.0 Roll call with quorum present. Present: Carol Cleveland, John Morrin, Travis Novitsky, Erik Redix, Yastrianne Spry, and Patty Winchell-Dahl (via Zoom). Also present Carmen Keyport, Director and Jean Spry, Administrative Assistant (notetaker). Winchell-Dahl left the meeting at 4:40 P.M. (due to poor internet connection) and Vice-Chairwoman Spry acted as Chair for the rest of the meeting.
- Motion by Erik Redix, second by John Morrin to approve agenda items, reports, and minutes from August 18, 2021. Redix noted that the Ojibwe Culture sections of the teacher reports relied on Ojibwe Language class and that teachers should be doing Ojibwe culture in their classroom and not rely solely on Ojibwe Language class for this category. Redix said he was willing to work with teachers to direct them toward Ojibwe culture resources. The Director noted that she noticed this too and was planning to address it in the next staff meeting. Spry noted that the DEI category was good but that it was also broad, for example teaching about disabilities. Novitsky asked about enrollment: why was there 30 students, and only 28 active. The Director reported that 2 students from last year are still actively enrolled and no school district has asked for their records and that after 15 days they go off the Oshki roster and the state is notified. The Director also noted that one more student enrolled since she sent her report so our total enrollment is now 29. All in favor motion carried 4-0.
- 5.0 Motion by Travis Novitsky, second by Carol Cleveland to approve Financial Expenditures & Revenues for August. Redix asked if we were saving money due to two para positions and the Home/School Liaison position being open. The Director responded that was the case and that she had been approached about volunteers to help with lunch since that is the time of day when the school really needs help but that any volunteers need to be supervised by a staff member and need to be able bodied and help with discipline. Cleveland-aye; Morrin-aye; Novitsky-aye; Redix-aye; motion carried 4-0.
- 6.0 Board training: Chapter 18: Book of Charter School Board led by Patty Winchell-Dahl tabled until October meeting. Spry mentioned her board training by Osprey Wilds, "How to Agree Respectfully," was excellent and recommended the entire board take it. Novitsky agreed that it would be beneficial because it focused on spurring healthy debate for boards that were too "nice" to disagree. The Director agreed and felt it would be good for the staff as well. The Director agreed to look into scheduling it.
- 7.0 Motion by Erik Redix, second by Travis Novitsky to adjourn at 5:19 P.M. All in favor motion carried 4-0.

Next meeting October 20, 2021 at 4:30 P.M.