

OLD MISSION PENINSULA SCHOOL

Regular Board Meeting – Minutes

Friday, February 21, 2025 8:30am

Meeting held at:

Old Mission Peninsula School

2699 Island View Road, Traverse City, MI 49686

1. CALL TO ORDER

Johnston called the meeting to order at 8:31 a.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Roll call was held.

The following board members were present: Chris Johnston (Vice President), Susie Shipman (Secretary/Treasurer), Amanda Igra, Jen Kuhar and Todd Sanders. Shaina LaFond and Will Gibb were excused.

Non-Board Members Attending:

Renee Kolle, OMPS Superintendent

Monnie Peters, OMPEF

Matt Missias, GVSU

Kelley Davis, Veritas Accounting (remotely)

Ben Walmer, OMPS Parent

3. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Addition to agenda of business item 10.c. Acceptance of GVSU Academic Grant.

Motion made by Johnston and supported by Shipman to approve the agenda as amended. The motion was approved unanimously.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS – None

5. MEETING MINUTES

a. January 17, 2025 Regular Meeting Minutes

Motion made by Igra and supported by Sanders to approve the January 17, 2025 Regular Meeting Minutes as presented. The motion was approved unanimously.

6. OMPEF UPDATE

Peters highlighted the OMPS/OMPEF article in the Peninsula Township newsletter and shared her decision to resign from the OMPEF board as of the end of May. Peters noted that she is continuing to receive funds and pay bills, but there are no recent OMPEF meetings to report on.

7. OMPS PTO UPDATE

Kolle reminded the board that Winter Carnival is the following day (February 22).

8. GVSU REPORT

Missias reported:

- School Performance Reports are out and Missias will review the OMPS report later in the agenda
- Academic grants are out (added to this agenda)
- Board nominations for reappointment of LaFond and appointment to replace the outgoing board member, Gibb, need to be completed in March in order to maintain full board roster as terms end June 30
- Thank you to those who completed the stakeholder survey
- March 4 and April 24 are the next GVSU board trainings coming up
- MAPSA and GVSU guidance on immigration law are available
- State of the State is coming up on February 25: all bills have been signed into law, GVSU will work with OMPS on any requirements
- Charter Masterminds through MAPSA is great source for legislative updates
- Kolle is going to Grand Rapids for GVSU Spring Leadership Forum to participate on a panel regarding the process for renewal of the charter contract

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- May 5th Grand Rapids and May 6th Detroit are GVSU's School Celebration and Social dates – school leaders and other stakeholders are invited
- Charter day at the capital is May 6th
- The National charter school conference is at the end of June in Orlando

9. MANAGEMENT REPORT(S)

a. Leadership Report

Kolle reported:

- The transition while Bailey is out with her baby has been going smoothly.
- March is reading month – many events are planned. The theme is “around the world.”
- Open enrollment has been going on through February. Kolle has been leading tours. The few departures of students have been due to moves out of state. We are looking for more kindergarten enrollment.

10. BUSINESS

a. Monthly Financial Report – January

Davis:

Overall and legislative updates regarding federal funds: OMPS doesn't receive significant federal funds, and any impacts will be of more concern in the following fiscal year. The State is working through their budget for next year. The current proposal would be no increase over this year for the coming year.

Concern for OMPS is how to provide increases to staff.

Current monthly summary for balance sheet and P&L are all on track and as expected. Technology purchases will still be coming. School leadership and HR are managing the current and coming expected staff absences.

Food service is going very well so far this year. Continuing to watch numbers as year-end approaches. Preschool is also being closely watched.

b. Draft Board Policy 6144 BP – Investments

Davis reviewed the draft policy and discussed with the board each part of the policy requiring a board choice. The board made decisions on each choice.

Proposed Action Item: Approve Board Policy 6144 BP – Investments

Motion made by Shipman and supported by Kuhar approve Board Policy 6144 BP – Investments as completed by the board. The motion was approved unanimously.

c. Acceptance of GVSU Academic Grant

Missias reviewed the requirements to receive the grant.

Shipman thanked Missias and GVSU for the grant award.

Motion made by Kuhar and supported by Sanders to accept the GVSU Academic Grant. The motion was approved unanimously.

d. Board Policies Update – Fall 2024

Shipman reviewed the process by which board policies are developed. Kolle noted that the presented board policies are all legally required updates.

Proposed Action Item: Approve Board Policies Update – Fall 2024

Motion made by Sanders and supported by Kuhar approve the Board Policies Update – Fall 2024 as presented. The motion was approved unanimously.

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e. 2023-2024 OMPS GVSU School Performance Report

Missias reviewed the report in detail, and highlighted OMPS' high performance across the spectrum of measurables.

General discussion on highlighting the report to the public in a variety of ways.

f. 2025-2026 Seat Schedule

It was noted that the agenda and minutes need to be corrected to 2025-2026.

Kuhar asked whether approving the seat schedule limited OMPS in adding seats or classes if needed. Kolle reminded the board that it does not limit seat or class increase.

Proposed Action Item: Approve 2025-2026 Seat Schedule

Motion made by Sanders and supported by Kuhar to approve the 2025-2026 Seat Schedule as presented. The motion was approved unanimously.

g. Updated OMPS Emergency Operations Plan

Kolle reviewed the plan generally and noted that the bulk of the plan update was to move OMPS information into the new standard format provided by emergency services. The next step after board approval will be to send the plan to law enforcement and county emergency director for their approvals.

Proposed Action Item: Approve Updated OMPS Emergency Operations Plan

Motion made by Shipman and supported by Kuhar to approve the OMPS Emergency Operations Plan as presented and authorize the board president to sign the plan as required. The motion was approved unanimously.

h. Committee Reports - None

11. PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS: None

12. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn made by Shipman and supported by Igra. The motion was approved unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:37 a.m.



Board Secretary