

OLD MISSION PENINSULA SCHOOL

Regular Board Meeting – Minutes

Friday, May 19, 2023 8:30am

Meeting held at:

Old Mission Peninsula School

2699 Island View Road, Traverse City, MI 49686

1. CALL TO ORDER

Amanda Igra called the meeting to order at 8:35 a.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Roll call was held.

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

Non-Board Members Attending:

Danielle Clayton and Renee Kolle, OMPS Co-Principals

Jan Weckstein, GVSU (remotely)

Kelley Davis, Veritas Accounting (remotely)

Monnie Peters, OMPEF

Joy Stehlik, Axios HR

3. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

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

4. PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS – None

5. MEETING MINUTES

a. March 17, 2023 Regular Meeting Minutes

Motion made by Kuhar and supported by LaFond to approve the March 17, 2023 Regular Meeting Minutes as presented. The motion was approved unanimously.

6. OMPEF UPDATE

Peters reviewed the successful fundraising effort that paid for the school reroofing project over the past year and noted that the next project planned for completion is redoing the gymnasium floor. There was discussion about timing of maintenance projects for the future including parking area improvements.

7. OMPS PTO UPDATE

- No update at this meeting.

8. GVSU REPORT

Weckstein provided the following report from GVSU:

- Congratulations Amanda and Susie! Both are receiving their five year certificates (forthcoming!) for their service to OMPS! Thank you for your dedication, support, and stewardship over the last five years!
- Budget Hearings. Reminder that budget hearing notices must be placed in a newspaper of general circulation at least 6 days prior to the budget hearing. The notice should list the date, time, and location of the hearing, as well as where a copy of the proposed budget can be located.
- Nominating Board Members for Reappointment. Board members with terms ending on June 30, 2023, who plan to seek reappointment should have ask their board to nominate them for a new term and fill out the reappointment application online. This should be done as soon as possible.
- Upcoming Board Member Trainings: May 22 – School Board Strategic Planning & June 29 – Best Board Practices: Using an Efficient Governance Committee Structure

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- Joining the MI Charter Mastermind Network. MAPSA’s Mastermind Network is the best place to get breaking news and legislative updates related to Michigan’s charter schools. More information can be found at www.charterschools.org (look for the network page under the “For Schools” tab).
- State School Aid Budget. Versions of the FY 2023-24 School Aid budget have been advanced by the Governor, House Appropriations Subcommittee, and Senate Appropriations Subcommittee. A comparison of major proposal highlights is below. Budget negotiations are ongoing. Boards and school leaders may wish to budget conservatively in their initial FY 2023-24 budgets by basing their initial budgets off of the House-proposed foundation allowance and amend them once final state appropriations are set.

	Executive proposal	House proposal	Senate proposal	Final Agreement
Foundation Allowance	\$9,608 pp (+5%)	\$9,516 pp (+4%)	\$9,700 (+6%)	
Foundation Allowance for Cyber Schools	\$7,686 pp (-20%)	\$9,150 (0% change)	\$7,760 (-20%)	
31a (At-Risk)	\$812.2M	\$1.0B	\$920.6M	

- Weckstein is planning a Special Education professional development series.

9. MANAGEMENT REPORT(S)

a. Leadership Monthly Report:

Clayton and Kolle reported:

- 18 days left in the school year and there is the usual summer excitement
- Enrollment numbers for the coming year are being monitored on a daily basis
- One K class is planned, and a new junior K (which has resulted in an additional 9 enrollments so far)
- Tracy LaFoile is moving on (towards retirement)
- Kolle will be moving from 1.0 to 0.6 for next year
- School year calendar: discussion about making some adjustments.
- The Panther Project is offering a year of fun community events.

10. BUSINESS

a. Monthly Financial Report – April

Davis reports budgets (final amended 22-23 and new 23-24) are coming next month. The budgets use a conservative per pupil estimate.

Davis noted current balance sheet is in good shape. Revenue is slightly ahead and expenses are slightly below (due to lag in timing of salaries over the summer).

b. OMPS Grant Summary

Davis reviewed the provided grant summary, which she felt was important to provide because there have been questions about the grants that OMPS has received and will receive going forward.

Next year: Title 1-3, 31a, section 41. Special ed grants: each ISD does it differently – our ISD accepts federal funds and those are passed through to us from the ISD.

Finance committee: Shipman, LaFond, Igra - will plan for a pre-budget finance committee meeting with Davis.

c. Board Policies Update – Spring 2023

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Clayton reviewed the board policies as presented.

Proposed Action Item: Approve Board Policies Update – Spring 2023

Motion made by Kuhar and supported by Gibb to approve the Board Policies Update – Spring 2023 as presented. The motion was approved unanimously.

d. Committee Reports (if any)

i) Strategic Planning Committee – Kuhar and LaFond have been coordinating board feedback to formalize strategic planning process. Looking for 8-hour total commitment total. Majority want 2 sessions. Majority wanted September. Matt Cawood from GVSU will facilitate. The goal is to produce a useful document.

ii) Nominating Committee

Motion made by Igra and supported by Johnston to nominate Will Gibb and Susan Shipman for board membership renewal for the new term beginning July 1, 2023 and ending June 30, 2026, and request approval by GVSU. The motion was approved unanimously.

Nom. committee for board nominations going forward: Igra, Shipman, LaFond.

11. PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS - None

12. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn made by Johnston and supported by Kuhar. The motion was approved unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:53 a.m.



Board Secretary