Joseph K. Lumsden Bahweting Anishnabe **Public School Academy Board of Directors Regular Meeting** Tuesday December 13, 2022 5:30 p.m.

Minutes

A. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order at 5:40 p.m. by Secretary Carr.

- B. OPENING
- C. CULTURAL REFLECTION
- D. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

E. MISSION

JKL Bahweting Anishnabe School, in cooperation with parents and community provides an educational program that develops each student's individual abilities. We are committed to providing educational excellence through rigorous and relevant programs within a safe, nurturing, and culturally rich environment with specific emphasis on the Anishinaabe traditions and language.

F. ROLL CALL

Castro – absent; Carr – present; Eidenier – present; Pavlat – present. Motion by Carr and supported by Eidenier to excuse Castro from the meeting Ayes: Carr, Eidenier, Pavlat

Navs: None. Motion carried.

G. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Carr and supported by Eidenier to approve the agenda with the following change: Remove items under H: Presentations.

Ayes: Carr, Eidenier, Pavlat

Nays: None. Motion carried.

H. PRESENTATIONS

I. COMMUNICATIONS & CORREPSONDENCE

J. CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Carr and supported by Eidenier to approve the consent agenda.

Ayes: Carr, Eidenier, Pavlat

Nays: None. Motion carried.

- 1. Superintendent's Update
- 2. Superintendent General Administration Department Updates
- 3. Administrator's Update
- 4. Enrollment Update

- 5. Minutes from November 8, 2022 Regular Meeting
- 6. Minutes from December 6, 2022 Regular Meeting

K. INFORMATION ITEMS

- 1. Legislative Update
- 2. NMU Charter School Office Report
 - a. Betty LaPointe was in the audience and reported that Board members will be asked to complete NMU's conflict of interest forms at the January meeting. Betty discussed the MAPSA meeting last week and discussed concerns State wide about there not being a balance in the government in regard to charter schools. Betty also discussed the NWEA research over the last 3 years for K-8 and scores in relation to online learning and the level they were expected to do with math. Scores are showing a rebound indicating that we are on the right track nationally. Dr. Kallstrom mentioned the M-Step scores and our growth score is holding good at a B and that our Native American population was significantly above average. Dr. Kallstrom also thanked our teachers and staff at JKL for all their supports for our students.
- 3. Personnel Update

L. FINANCIAL UPDATE

- 1. Financial Monthly Report
- 2. Financial Update for Fiduciary Dr. Kallstrom reported out on the month ending November 2022.

M. NEW BUSINESS & ACTION ITEMS

Motion by Carr and supported by Eidenier to approve November 2022 Expenditures in the amount of 1,110,264.31.

Ayes: Carr, Eidenier, Pavlat

Nays: None.
Motion carried.

Motion by Carr and supported by Pavlat to approve the Promethean Board Purchase from All Covered/Konica Minolta in the amount of \$16,668 from ESSER II funds.

Ayes: Carr, Eidenier, Pavlat

Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Carr and supported by Eidenier to approve the hire (transfer) of Tan-A Hoffman to Ojibwe Language and Culture Teacher position.

Ayes: Carr, Eidenier, Pavlat

Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Carr and supported by Eidenier to approve the hire (transfer) of Heather LaPointe to Special Education Secretary position.

Ayes: Carr, Eidenier, Pavlat

Nays: None. Motion carried.

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Motion by Carr and supported by Eidenier approve the hire (transfer) of Brooke Rizzo to Special Education Behavior Technician.

Ayes: Carr, Eidenier, Pavlat

Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Carr and supported by Eidenier to approve the hire of Ariall Connors for Special Part Time Bus Driver upon acceptable background check.

Ayes: Carr, Eidenier, Pavlat

Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Carr and supported by Eidenier to approve the hire of Kimberly Laitrelle for Parparofessional upon acceptable background check.

Ayes: Carr, Eidenier, Pavlat

Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Carr and supported by Eidenier to approve the following Fall 2022 Policy Updates: 6108, 6700 and 9150 (except Policy 8805 for further review/action).

Ayes: Carr, Eidenier, Pavlat

Nays: None. Motion carried.

N. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS & SCHEDULING OF SPECIAL MEETINGS

O. PUBLIC COMMENT

1. Dr. Kallstrom wanted it to be known we embrace kindness & acceptance for all and support the grandfather teachings and that she herself is in support of all people and supports inclusiveness.

Dr. Kallstrom also wanted to thank Steve Habusta for the years he served on our Board of Directors and supported our staff and families, and that his contribution to the school was much appreciated. We will present a plaque to him for his service.

- 2. Dr. Chloe Kannon introduced herself via zoom and spoke in support of the Loud and Clear after-school group, discussing the development of the group in support of students that identify as LGBTQ+. Also discussed the support this group is providing for our students. Dr. Kannon spoke of the recognition that our school has had from other districts for these supports. Discussed the pride flag being in alignment of our school's values and mentioned Title IX Litigation.
- 3. Robin Bouschor introduced herself via zoom to express her disappointment about the community play that was prevented and the issue of student and employee absenteeism. Robin expressed concerns of the pride flag being removed. Discussed disappointment about a JKL Board member calling our teacher a snowflake, showing lack of respect for teachers and their position on the Board
- 4. Kelly Ann Bouschor introduced herself via zoom but then lost connection.

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- 5. J Johnson was in attendance and introduced themselves as a student at JKL for nine years and discussed lack of support at this time. Discussed the Loud and Clear group in support of students struggling giving them a safe place to go. Discussed the benefits of this group and suicide rates for LGBTQ+. J also discussed concerns about the removal of the pride flag.
- 6. Stephanie Houston via zoom discussed concerns with removing visibilities from people who already struggle with acceptance, asking the Board to take this seriously and discussed two-spirited people.
- 7. Jarrod Vandenburg introduced himself via zoom and spoke in support of Dr. Kannon. Expressed concerns of students suffering needlessly and also spoke of enjoyment of seeing community members taking part the Pow Wows.
- 8. Kelly Ann Bouschor has a statement via zoom and has asked it to be read due to unstable connection. Patzwald read the statement expressing disappoint at the JKL Board trying to get rid of pride flag as this is against Title IX. Mentioned JKL Board member calling staff snowflakes.
- 9. Kimberly Hampton introduced herself via zoom and discussed the idea of the pride flag being removed explaining the history of two-spirited folks as being gifted and honored by the community as they were healers and visionaries. Kimberly discussed the effects of colonization and thus losing these roles. She expressed her hopes that as in indigenous school we uphold these values.

P. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned at 6:20 p.m. by Secretary Carr.

School Board President

Elizabeth Edin 1/19/23
School Board Secretary