**Endazhi-Nitaawiging**

**School Board Regular Meeting Minutes**



Tuesday, February 6, 2024

Time: 5:30PM – 6:30PM

Regular School Board Meeting

In Person at

Endazhi-Nitaawiging Charter School

25065 Highway 1 West

Red Lake, MN 56671

1. Meeting Call to Order

Time: 5:45PM

2. Roll Call

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| X | LaGou, Jeffrey |
| X | Long, Naomi |
| X | Johnson, Rochelle |
| E | Nguyen, Hieu |
| X | White, Elizabeth |

Attendees: Erin Anderson (OSPREY) and Nate Taylor (Executive Director-Endazhi-Nitaawiging)

3. Prayer & Song

4. Mission & Vision

*Mission:*  The mission is to prepare each student for college with an enhanced knowledge of the Ojibwe language, culture, leadership, and environmental stewardship.

*Vision:* At Endazhi-Nitaawiging, the vision is to create confident leaders grounded in their true inherent identities and to ensure that they are academically, socially, and spiritually prepared to positively change the community and world.

5. Agenda Approval

A. A motion to approve the agenda for the regular school board meeting of

February 6, 2024 as presented.

Motion by White, Second by LaGou, Action: Motion passed, 4-0.

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Discussion: Change “January” to “February”. Move item 9B to item 11. Change “Wednesday” to “Tuesday” (Top of agenda).

6. A motion to approve regular board meeting minutes held on January 10, 2024.

Motion by LaGou, Second by Long, Action: Motion passed, 4-0.

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7. Public Comment- No Public comments

8. Reports

Financial report-

Going forward in March 2024, we will begin approving bills.

Executive Director Report Head of School report-

Things going well, lots of breakthroughs with students. Students are healing and building bonds. Discuss combining Waasabiik Ojibwemotaadiwin Immersion Program, will need to look into funding, possibly with the Florida Tribe.

Parent Committee Report-

No meetings have occurred this school year. Dan Jorgenson is leading the committee and will set a meeting date.

9. Old Business

A. Board of Directors- annual seat elections

Board Chair- Rochelle Johnson

Secretary- Elizabeth White

Treasurer- Naomi Long

1. A Motion to approve; Johnson for Board Chair.

by Long, Second by White, Action: Motion passed, 4-0.

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1. A Motion to approve; White for Secretary.

by Long, Second by LaGou, Action: Motion passed, 4-0.

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1. A Motion to approve; Long for Treasurer.

by LaGou, Second by White, Action: Motion passed, 4-0.

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B. Board of Directors Membership: Seven-member board

1. ~~A Motion to approve; the official Endazhi-Nitaawiging Board of Directors membership to seven.~~

~~by L, Second by , Action: Motion passed, 0-0.~~

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1. ~~A Motion to appoint and approve;\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ as teacher representative..~~

~~by L, Second by , Action: Motion passed, 0-0.~~

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Discussion: Move to item 11 (open discussion).

C. Consent Agenda

A motion to approve the consent agenda as presented.

1. Hire – Paraprofessional (J.N), Jessica Neadeau (Paraprofessional certified)
2. Hire – School Nurse (J.H)
3. Policies – 510, 610, 710
4. WBWF Plan

Motion by Long, Second by LaGou, Action: Motion passed, 4-0,

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10. New Business

A. Monthly bills

1. A Motion to approve all monthly bills for February 2024 in the amount of $27,934.86.

Motion by White, Second by LaGou, Action: Motion passed, 4-0.

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B. Accept Grant

1. A Motion to approve and accept; Community School Yard Grant.

by LaGou, Second by Long, Action: Motion passed, 4-0.

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C. Committees

1. A Motion to approve; the cultural and profession development committees.

by LaGou, Second by Long, Action: Motion passed, 4-0.

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D. Joint Agreement with RLSD #38

1. ~~A Motion to approve; a joint agreement with RLSD #38.~~

~~by , Second by , Action: Motion passed, 0-0.~~

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No agreement drafted, table to next regular board meeting

Discussion: Moving forward, detailed bills will need board approval. EN negotiating a contract with emergence need to approve during March regular meeting.

11. Open Discussion

February 27, 2023 Board of Directors made a decision to downsize the capacity from 9 board members to 7 board members. Will need to amend the bylaws to make formal changes.

12.   Adjournment

A. A motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:59PM.

Motion by White, Second by Long, Action: Motion passed, 4-0.

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