

# Bdote Board of Directors

## Minutes

### Board Meeting

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#### **Date and Time**

Wednesday March 19, 2014 at 2:30 PM

#### **Location**

Division of Indian Work

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#### **Board Members Present**

B. Beane, C. Ward-Thompson, G. Hartley, L. Matson, L. Waterman Wittstock, T. Scallon

#### **Board Members Absent**

E. Salinas, H. Reynolds, J. Rice

#### **Guests Present**

A. Christian, B. Brown, D. WhiteMan

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### **I. Opening Items**

#### **A.Record Attendance and Guests**

#### **B.Call the Meeting to Order**

L. Matson called a meeting of the board of directors of Bdote Board of Directors to order on Wednesday Mar 19, 2014 @ 2:45 PM at Division of Indian Work.

L. Waterman Wittstock arrived late.

#### **C.Approve Agenda**

G. Hartley made a motion to Approve Minutes.

L. Waterman Wittstock seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion. Including the meeting notes from the March 1st informational meeting held.

#### **D.Approve Minutes**

B. Beane made a motion to approve minutes from the Board Meeting on 02-19-14.

G. Hartley seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

#### **E.Approve Minutes**

B. Beane made a motion to approve minutes from the Board Meeting on 03-01-14.

G. Hartley seconded the motion.  
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

## **II. Reports**

### **A.Bdote Update**

Lottery Process for Ojibwe Kindergarten  
IRS Revocation Letter, the board would like a copy of the warning notice

### **B.Curriculum Update**

Meeting weekly and will meet with first language speakers in April for Elders to review curriculum that has been prepared so far.  
Meeting April 17 8:30 with U of M language students to possibly use them for substitute teachers

### **C.Executive/Startup Committee**

Curriculum committee recommended to keep grade configuration as it is planned for this year. Possibly have kindergarten a stand alone class the next year.  
Curriculum committee suggested maybe having a 70/30 or 60/40 language Immersion for 2 and 3 grades.  
School Calendar framework for Year 1 and Year 2  
B. Beane made a motion to Tabled the School Calendar.  
L. Waterman Wittstock seconded the motion.  
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.  
C. Ward-Thompson left early.

### **D.Facilities Update**

St Marks is the best possibility we will find out an update 3.20.14 St Stevens is another possibility, to share with another charter school.

### **E.Personnel Committee**

No update at this point. We will be bringing in the Director to assist with this committee.

### **F.Policy Committee**

L. Matson made a motion to Approve policies 401, 402, 406, 493.  
L. Waterman Wittstock seconded the motion.  
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.  
We will send via email policies 410, 413, 417, 418, 419, 501, 502, 514, 515, 516, 521, 522, 526, 532.

### **G.Public Relations**

No update at this time.

### **H.Curriculum/Instruction Committee**

Meeting Schedule will be first Thursday at 2:30 at DIW.  
Will bring update curriculum charge to April Board Meeting.  
Committee suggestions to have Art, PE and Music classes. To hire an English teacher to speak English to the students so that the immersion teachers will only speak the language to the students.

### **I.Finance/Development Committee / Treasurer**

We are pausing in regards ANA drawdowns while waiting for communication with the IRS and ANA, about the reapplication of the 501(c)(3). We have applied for

Grotto Foundation and MAIC. Walton and ANA continuation reports is coming due. SBS will be preparing our preliminary budget for the school year as well as a combined budget of all of our grants.

#### **J. Authorizer**

No report.

### **III. Old Business**

#### **A. Board Composition**

L. Matson made a motion to Roxanne Gould and Mary Hermes to seat them as board members.

J. Rice seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

#### **B. Hiring Bdote Director - Update**

Passed all criminal background checks and educational and employment. He will start April 1.

Update: Neil has started working with us remotely. And will be here in the office on March 31. Startup committee will be finalizing his employment agreement and will present it at the next board meeting.

#### **C. Grotto Foundation - Update**

Grotto foundation would like to meet and go over some questions.

### **IV. New Business**

#### **A. ANA Grant Budget Revisions**

T. Scallon made a motion to Delegate this to the Startup committee.

L. Waterman Wittstock seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

#### **B. ANA Continuation Application**

T. Scallon made a motion to Delegate to the Startup Committee to decide if we should move forward with Walton.

L. Waterman Wittstock seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

#### **C. Walton Grant Submission**

L. Waterman Wittstock made a motion to delegate to the startup committee.

J. Rice seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

#### **D. Board Job Descriptions**

L. Waterman Wittstock made a motion to tabled the job descriptions.

B. Beane seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

### **V. Other Business**

#### **A. Other Business**

Community Meeting - to be scheduled and a welcome to for Neil Trottier

#### **B. Lottery Process**

L. Waterman Wittstock made a motion to table the lottery process.  
T. Scallon seconded the motion.  
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

## **VI. Public Comment**

### **A.Comment**

None

## **VII. Closing Items**

### **A.Adjourn Meeting**

T. Scallon made a motion to Adjourn.  
J. Rice seconded the motion.  
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.  
There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made,  
seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 4:29 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
A. Christian