

Board of Directors Meeting
Bdote Learning Center
3216 E 29th St. Minneapolis, MN 55406
September 25, 2025 • 4:30-5:30 PM
Zoom link is at the TOP of the [Board Meeting Schedule webpage \(click here\)](#)
Minutes Approved: October 27, 2025

MINUTES


1. Opening Items

- a. Meeting called to order at 4:41 pm, Thursday 9/25/25.
 - i. Reminder that cameras are turned on during the meeting.
- b. Record Attendance and Guests
Board Members:
 - i. Present: Tedi Grey Owl, Angela Two Stars, Racquel Banaszak, Vikky Morris
 - ii. Absent: Fawn Youngbear-Tibbets, Jewell Arcoren
 - iii. Guest(s): none
- c. Statement of Conflict of Interest.
 - i. Roll call vote: 0 Yay, 4 Nay.
- d. Reading of Bdote Learning Center Mission & Vision Statement (to be read by a Board Member)
 - i. The Mission of Bdote Learning Center is to develop culturally aware, successful, high performing students by providing them with an academically rigorous education that is place-based, and rooted in Native language and culture of indigenous peoples.
 - ii. The Vision of the Bdote Learning Center is that all students will develop a love of lifelong learning, language and cultural fluency, gain skills and education to determine their own future, and develop a genuine commitment to contribute back to their family, community and nation.





2. September 25, 2025 Agenda (review and approval)

- i. Racquel Banaszak motions to accept the September 25, 2025 Agenda.
Angela Two Stars seconds the motion. Roll call vote: 4 Yay, 0 Nay. Motion carries.

3. Board Meeting Minutes

- a. Approve  August 25, 2025 Board Minutes
 - i. Angela Two Stars motions to accept the August 28, 2025 Minutes.
Racquel Banaszak seconds the motion. Roll call vote: 4 Yay, 0 Nay. Motion carries.

4. Finance

- a. The  00 A1 July 2025 Bdote Financial Packet.pdf and the  00 A3 BLC July 2025 Management Report.pdf by Nate Winter of Clifton Larson Allen.
 - i. Vicky Morris motions to accept the July 2025 Management Report and Financial Statements.
Racquel Banaszak seconds the motion. Roll call vote: 4 Yay, 0 Nay. Motion carries.
- b.  2024 Bdote Learning Center Governance Letter.pdf &  2024 Bdote Learning Center Audited Financial Statements.pdf
 - i. Racquel Banaszak motions to accept the Bdote Learning Center 2024 Financial Audit.
Vicky Morris seconds the motion. Roll call vote: 4 Yay, Nay. 0 Motion carries.

5. Public Comment

- a. Each speaker must sign up to speak in the Chat section of Zoom, speakers will be allotted two minutes time.
- b. Speakers: None

6. Leadership Reports

- a. Administration & Operations Report by Korissa Howes, Director (unavailable)

7. New Business

- a. Call a special meeting for financial reports and leadership reports

8. Old Business

- a. The Board Self Evaluation update
 - i. [Bdote Board Self Assessment 2025](#) form.
- b. Strategic Planning Committee update. Online survey has been emailed to staff, the Board, parents, and community and to the MINN-IND listserv. [Link to Strategic Planning Committee survey](#). The next step is to set up the initial meeting. Date: Thursday, October 16, 2025
- c. Governance Committee updates.
 - i. Governance committee need to schedule a meeting
- d. Licensure Committee updates.
 - i. Licensure committee had first meeting and set schedule for the 25-26 AY, need CEUs for 2 staff, committee meeting minutes

9. 2025-2026 Board of Directors Calendar

- a. Ongoing monthly meetings are set for the fourth Monday of each month from 4:30 PM to 5:30 PM and will be adjusted to work around school closings and other events. Special meetings may be established by the Board with the minimum 3-day notice per Bdote's ByLaws.
 - i. October 27, 2025
November 24, 2025
December 22, 2025
January 26, 2026
February 23, 2026
March 23, 2026
April 27, 2026
May 18, 2026
June 22, 2026

10. Adjourn

- a. Angela Two Stars makes a motion to adjourn. Vicky Morris seconds the motion. The September 22, 2025 Board of Directors meeting is adjourned at 5:24 PM.

Physical Locations:

Bdote Learning Center, 3216 E 29th St., Minneapolis, MN

Board of Directors

Tedi Grey Owl, Board Chair (grandparent)

Jewell Arcoren, Vice Chair (community member)

Angel Two Stars, Secretary (community member)

Fawn YoungBear-Tibbets, Treasurer (community member)

Vikky Morris, (licensed teacher)

Racquel Banaszak, Board Member (parent and AIPAC Chair)

Recorder: