

**Board of Directors Meeting**  
**Bdote Learning Center**  
**3216 E 29<sup>th</sup> St. Minneapolis, MN 55406**  
**February 24, 2025 • 4:30-5:30 p.m.**

Zoom link is at the TOP of the BOARD: [Board Meeting Schedule webpage \(click here\)](#)

MINUTES APPROVED March 24, 2025)

**1. Opening Items**

- a. Meeting called to order at 4:35 PM.
  - i. *Reminder that cameras are turned on during the meeting.*
- b. Record Attendance and Guests  
Board Members:
  - i. Present: Vikky Morris, Angela Two Stars, Ted Grey Owl, Fawn Young Bear-Tibbetts, Jewell Arcoren
  - ii. Absent: Mat Pendleton
  - iii. Guest(s): Korissa, Nate, Laurie, Sky
- c. Statement of Conflict of Interest.
  - i. No one
- 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. February 24, 2025 Agenda (review and approval)**

- i. *Angela motions to accept the February 24, 2025 Agenda.*  
*Fawn seconds the motion. 5 Yay, 0 Nay. Motion carries.*



**3. 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


**4. Board Meeting Minute (not available; tabled until next meeting)**

- ~~a. Approve January 27, 2025 Minutes~~
  - ~~i. \_\_\_\_\_ motions to accept the January 27, 2025 Board Meeting Minutes.~~  
~~\_\_\_\_\_ seconds the motion. \_\_\_\_\_ Yay, \_\_\_\_\_ Nay. Motion carries.~~



**5. Finance**

- a. Revised 2024-2025 Budget, review and discussion with Nate Winter, CLA.  
Waiting on grant award letter from MDE for the Language Revitalization Grant.
- b. January 2025 Financials and Check Register Nate Winter of Clifton Larson Allen.
  - i.  BLC January 2025 Management Report.pdf &  January 2025 Bdote Financial Packet.pdf
  - ii. *Vikky motions to accept the January 2025 Management Report and Financial Statements.*  
*Jewell seconds the motion. 5 Yay, 0 Nay. Motion carries.*
- c. October 2024 Financials and Check Register will be presented at the December 16, 2024 Board meeting.

## 6. Leadership Reports

- a. Administration & Operations Report by Korissa Howes, Director of Operations
  - i.  23-24 Annual Report.pdf
  - ii. *Angela motions to approve the 23-24 BLC Annual Report (with edits to the Board Training and more information added to the FASTBRIDGE data for context per IQS suggestion).*  
*Fawn\_ seconds the motion. 5 Yay, 0 Nay. Motion carries.*

## 7. New Business

- a.  IQS Letter to Bdote re contract extension 2025.02.19  
 IQS-Bdote Learning Center Contract Extension and Corrective Action Amendment
  - i. *Jewell motions to approve the IQS Bdote Learning Center One-Year Contract Extension.*  
*Fawn seconds the motion. 5 Yay, 0 Nay. Motion carries.*
  - ii.
- b. Expectations per letter
  - i. Develop and begin implementation of short- and long-term strategic plans that address financial sustainability and educational outcomes,
  - ii. Implement practices that support both students and educators in improving learning outcomes,
  - iii. Review and refine the staffing model for greater efficiency and effectiveness,
  - iv. Improve human resources management and operations.
- c. American Indian Parent Committee update: Bingo Night was canceled due to cold weather and will be rescheduled. The next AIPAC meeting is set for Monday, March 10, 2025 at 4:30 PM.
- d. 2024-2025 Board Elections elections update
- e. School Committees' updates (if available)
  - i. Governance Committee
  - ii. Licensure Committee
  - iii. Strategic Planning Committee
    1. Board members: Jewell, Angela
- f. Board 2024-2025 Calendar  
Ongoing meetings 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. March 24, 2025  
April 28, 2025 (Board Elections)  
May 19, 2025 Annual Meeting  
June 23, 2025  
July 21, 2025  
August 25, 2025  
September 22, 2025
- g. Upcoming: Board Self-Evaluation

## 8. Old Business

- a. Board work per School Improvement Plan FY24: Develop Strategic Plan Initiative, updates (if available).

## 9. Next Regular Board Meeting: scheduled March 24, 2025 @ 4:30 PM via Zoom.

## 10. Adjourn

- a. *Fawn makes a motion to adjourn at 5:19 PM.*

Recorder: Tedi Grey Owl