

Board of Directors Meeting
Bdote Learning Center
3216 E 29th St. Minneapolis, MN 55406
May 26, 2026 • 4:30 PM

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MINUTES
(approved June 9, 2026)


1. Opening Items

- a. The 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, Racquel Banaszak, and Tedi Grey Owl
 - ii. Absent: Angela Two Stars and Fawn YounBear-Tibbets
 - iii. Guest(s):
- c. Statement of Conflict of Interest.
 - i. Roll call vote: 0 Yay, 3 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. May 26, 2026 Agenda (review and approval)

- i. Racquel Banaszak motions to accept the May 26, 2026 Agenda.
Vikky Morris seconds the motion. Roll call vote: 3 Yay, 0 Nay. Motion carries.



3. Board Meeting Minutes

- a. Approve  May 13, 2026 Board Minutes (Special Meeting)
 - i. Racquel Banaszak motions to accept the May 13, 2026 Board Minutes.
Vikky Morris seconds the motion. Roll call vote: 3 Yay, 0 Nay. Motion carries.

4. Public Comment

- a. Each speaker must sign up to speak in the Chat section of Zoom, and will be allotted two minutes time.
- b. Speakers: no guests.

5. Finance – TABLED

- a. The  BLC March 2026 Financial Statements.pdf and the  BLC March 2026 Management Report.pdf presented by Nate Winter of Clifton Larson Allen:
 - i. _____ motions to accept the March 2026 Management Report and March 2026 Financial Statements.
_____ seconds the motion. Roll call vote: _____ Yay, _____ Nay. _____ carries.
- b. School Closure Budget presented by Nate Winter of Clifton Larson Allen.


i. _____ motions to accept the School Closure Budget.

_____ seconds the motion. Roll call vote: _____ Yay, _____ Nay. _____ carries.

6. Leadership Report – TABLED

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

7. School Closure

- a. Update on progress presented by the School Closure Committee
While the school closure activities are happening, the school's education programs are still in operation until the last day, June 12, 2026. The last day for students is June 10, 2026
- b.  Bdote Closure Checklist

8. New Business

- a. Proposed Board Calendar for 2026-2027
 - i. Meet quarterly, proposed dates to follow June 22, 2026 end of the school year meeting
July 27, 2026
October 26, 2026
January 25, 2027
April 26, 2027
July 26, 2027
 - ii. Special Meetings will be scheduled during the school closure process.

9. Old Business

- a. American Indian Parent Advisory Committee (AIPAC) & Johnson O'Malley (JOM) updates.
A request for receipts to submit for AIEA/JOM reimbursements has been submitted. Two final field trips are planned as well as the end of the school year pow wow (Tony is coordinating).
Kindergarten and 6th grade student honoring is slated for Monday, June 8, 2026 during school day and families will attend. During the pow wow all students will be honored in the afternoon when the community attends.
- b. Licensure Committee update.
Updated CEUs (CAREIAL) for a teacher and checking status of an educator applying for eminence licensure.

10. 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. June 22, 2026
- b.

11. Adjourn

- a. Racquel Banaszak makes a motion to adjourn. Vikky Morris seconds the motion. The May 26, 2026 Board of Directors meeting is adjourned at 5:18 PM.

Physical Locations:

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

Board of Directors

Tedi Grey Owl, Board Chair (grandparent)

Angel Two Stars, Secretary (community member)

Fawn YoungBear-Tibbets, Treasurer (community member)

Vikky Morris, (licensed teacher)

Racquel Banaszak, Board Member (parent and AIPAC Chair)