

**Minutes**  
**OMS Library**  
**Remote access for public participation through Zoom Link**  
**April 25, 2023, 6:00 pm**

× Brian McGill  
× Jake Eckert  
× Mark Brewer

× Noah Charney  
× Kevin Roberge

1. Opening
  - a. Call to Order
  - b. Pledge of Allegiance
  - c. Agenda Adjustments

2. Consideration of the Minutes
  - a. April 11, 2023

**Motion:** *Brian McGill moved to approve the minutes of the April 11, 2023 meeting as presented. Mark Brewer seconded.*

**Vote:** *Noah Charney- aye*

*Mark Brewer- aye*

*Jacob Eckert- aye*

*Brian McGill- aye*

*Kevin Roberge- aye*

**Vote 5-0**

3. Approval of Warrants
  - a. Warrant - 21
  - b. Payroll - 21
  - c. ME PERS - March

**Motion:** *Brian McGill moved to approve the slate of warrants as presented. Mark Brewer seconded.*

**Vote:** *Noah Charney- aye*

*Mark Brewer- aye*

*Jacob Eckert- aye*

*Brian McGill- aye*

*Kevin Roberge- aye*

**Vote 5-0**

4. Public Comment

5. Acknowledgments

- a. Kevin Roberge is grateful for the amazing Asa Adams community that produced the Spring Concert in the OPAC.
- b. Jake Eckert is appreciative of an anonymous donation to OMS for \$1,500 as part of their school fundraising efforts.
- c. Brian McGill thanks all of the candidates who applied to be student school board representatives.
- d. Meredith Higgins acknowledged NEA Foundation Student Success Grant in the amount of \$4,000 for OMS Riot Buddies & Riot Cookery Programs. The grant written and submitted by OMS teacher Jessica Archer.

6. Reports

- a. Director Reports

- i. Lisa Smith, Director of Special Services

1. Working hard at completing evaluations for staff.
2. Transition meetings are in full swing– Kindergarten, moving from Asa to OMS, and from OMS to OHS.
3. Planning for summer programming is off to a productive start.

- ii. Susan Smith, Director of Learning

1. Gearing up for State assessments.

- a. OMS will be testing the week of May 1st. Asa Adams and OHS will begin testing the following week.

2. Ms. Smith traveled with Katie Quirk’s 8th grade writing class to collect water samples and bring them to the lab at the Penobscot Nation’s Tribal Natural Resource Department.
3. The Director of Learning, Asa Adams principal Kerri Wyman, and six Asa Adams teachers will be traveling to the Massachusetts Reading Conference. The focus of the conference will be “The Science of Reading.”

b. Superintendent Report

- i. Resignation
  1. Eliza Ford, art teacher at Asa, is resigning, effective at the end of the school year.
- ii. Veazie Agreement Update
  1. Veazie has opted not to pursue an agreement with Orono to ensure all Veazie students have a place to attend high school.
- iii. The last student day for the 22-23 school year will be June 13, an early release day.
- iv. The student Board representatives for the 23-24 school year will be rising senior Marissa McLaughlin and rising junior Dorsa Tajvidi. The students will begin participating at the May 9 Board meeting.
- v. COVID Return to School Plan & ESSER Use of Funds Plan Updates
  1. Superintendent Higgins outlined the updated Return to School and ESSER Use of Funds plans.

7. Discussion Items

a. FY 24 Budget

- i. Superintendent Higgins presented documents reflecting the budget numbers that will be put forward to the community for consideration.

b. OHS Data Presentation

- i. Meredith Diamond, OHS Co-Principal, presented data on the impact of changes to the high school schedule implemented for the 22-23 school year.
  1. The primary objective of the schedule changes was to reduce the amount of time students spent in study halls.
    - a. The new schedule cuts the time students spend in study halls by an average of 11%.

8. Action Items

a. Staff Nominations

- i. Hiring Recommendations
  1. Co-Curricular Nominations

***Motion:*** Brian McGill moved to approve the slate of co-curricular nominations as presented. Mark Brewer seconded.

***Vote:*** Noah Charney- aye

Jacob Eckert- aye

Kevin Roberge- aye

Mark Brewer- aye

Brian McGill- aye

***Vote 5-0***

b. Policies

i. Revisions

1. JLCC Communicable/infectious diseases

**Motion:** Brian McGill moved to approve the revision to policy JLCC as presented. Mark Brewer seconded.

**Vote:** Noah Charney- aye

Mark Brewer- aye

Jacob Eckert- aye

Brian McGill- aye

Kevin Roberge- aye

**Vote 5-0**

2. JLCD-E Medication Administration on School Field Trips

**Motion:** Brian McGill moved to approve the revision to policy JLCD-E as presented. Mark Brewer seconded.

**Vote:** Noah Charney- aye

Mark Brewer- aye

Jacob Eckert- aye

Brian McGill- aye

Kevin Roberge- aye

**Vote 5-0**

3. JRA Student education records and information

4. JRA-R Student education records and information -Administrative procedure

5. JRA-E Notification rights under FERPA

**Motion:** Brian McGill moved to approve the revision to policies JRA, JRA-R, and JRA-E as presented. Mark Brewer seconded.

**Vote:** Noah Charney- aye

Mark Brewer- aye

Jacob Eckert- aye

Brian McGill- aye

Kevin Roberge- aye

**Vote 5-0**

9. Subcommittee Reports

a. Policy Subcommittee

i. Four policies remaining before the policy review is complete.

b. United Technology Center

i. Next meeting will be held the week of May 1st.

c. SPRPCE

d. Curriculum Subcommittee

e. Facilities/Building committee

f. Wellness Committee

i. Work is set to begin on the outdoor classroom.

g. DEI Leadership Team

10. Other Business

11. Future Agenda Items

12. Public Comment

a. Stacey Newman, OHS parent and president of OSCAR (arts booster), asks that the administration continues to promote the value of arts and arts education which can also lead to increased mental health.

13. Date, Time, and Location of Next Meeting

a. May 9, 2023 - 6:00 PM Board meeting

14. Request for Information and Follow-up

15. Adjournment

**Motion:** *Brian McGill moved adjourn the meeting. Mark Brewer seconded.*

**Vote:** *Noah Charney- aye*

*Jacob Eckert- aye*

*Kevin Roberge- aye*

*Mark Brewer- aye*

*Brian McGill- aye*

**Vote 5-0**

*Meeting adjourned at 8:12.*

**Approved 5/9/2023**