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School District 4150: Minnesota Online High School

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Online Learning Option Law		Mission Statement & Vision	
Authorizer	Accreditation	Charter School Law	Organizational Chart
Acronyms	Bylaws	Strategic Plan	Data Practices Act

Date: October 27, 2026

Purpose: Regular
Type: Open
Minute Location: www.mnohs.org/board-of-directors
Board Meeting Schedule: SY2627

Board Members	Role	Present	Voting Type	Term Ends
Tracy Quarnstrom	Ex Officio	☒	Non-voting	N/A
Amber Lamp	Member	☒	Community	June 2029
Sarah Benson	Secretary	☒	Teacher	June 2028
Ben Johnson	Member	☒	Teacher	June 2029
Tanya Hoskin	President	☒	Parent	June 2029
Kelley Velleux	Vice President	☒	Teacher	June 2028
Heide Miller	Treasurer	☒	Community	June 2028
Kelly Dietrich	Member	☒	Community	June 2029
Lynne Deitz	Member	☐	Teacher	June 2029
5 out of 8 are needed for quorum	**Total Voting Members:**	7	**Virtual Attendees:** Tanya Hoskin (Convenience) Sarah Benson (Convenience) Ben Johnson (Convenience) Amber Lamp (Family obligation) Kelly Dietrich (Convenience)	
	Quorum Status:	MET		

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Guests	Organization	Role	Open Forum?
Cyndi Lemaster	MNOHS	Admin Asst	☐
Melissa Greene	MNOHS	Special Ed Coordinator	☐
Anastasia Martin	MNOHS	Academic Director / Social Studies Teacher	☐
Becky Sliva	Member of the public	Visitor	☐
Katie Parker-Riccio	MNOHS	Course Developer/Teacher	☐
Laila Almay	MNOHS	Teacher	☐

Call to Order:	**Time:** 6:00
By: Tanya Hoskin	
Mission Statement Read By: Tanya Hoskin	
Acknowledgement of Open Forum Guests By: Tanya Hoskin "No Open Forum Participants"	
Open Forum Guidelines **Read By:** N/A	
Conflict of Interest Inquiry: None declared.	

Approval of the Agenda and Consent Agenda:			**Time:** 6:05
Motion: To approve the October 2026 agenda and consent agenda as put forward by Executive Director Quarnstrom			
Made By: Kelley Velleux		**Seconded By: Heide Miller**	
Discussion:			
Yea: Sarah Benson, Heide Miller, Kelley Velleux, Amber Lamp, Ben Johnson, Kelly Dietrich, Tanya Hoskin			
Nay:			
Abstain:			
Motion Carried?	☒ Yes	☐ No	☐ No Quorum

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Board Training Topics	**Time:** 6:08
By: Tracy Quarnstrom	
Discussion: PUC Board Training PowerPoints and Highlights – New requirement for virtual attendees to provide a basic reason for virtual attendance. Presentations from Jim Martin (Attorney) on the following topics: Board Roles and Responsibilities, New Legislation 2026, and Minnesota Open Meeting Law. This training was attended by: Tracy Quarnstrom, Cyndi Lemaster, and Sarah Benson. Other board members not in attendance were encouraged to review the slides as the board will continue to discuss topics as a board in the future.	

Director's Report:	**Time:** 6:12
Motion: To accept the items in the October 2026 Executive Director's Report	
Made By: Sarah Benson	**Seconded By: Amber Lamp**
Discussion: MACS policy and annual meeting attended by Director Quarnstrom and Director Miller on behalf of MNOHS in September. DLAC conference attended by Executive Director Quarnstrom and Melissa Greene. Director Quarnstrom ran the Minnesota Meet up. Director Quarnstrom and Greene presented "Engaging your staff in a virtual setting in new and creative ways." Greene stated it was an informative conference, and they were able to bring back new things to MNOHS. It has been a busy month with Canvas and Curriculum. Canvas coaches led by Academic Director, Anastasia Martin, along with Kelley Velleux and Kim Breeden. Quarter 2 revisions are underway. Continuing to follow all MDE, PUC, and MNOHS guidelines. Student Success Data Star Assessments have a 44% participation rate. Greene spoke about growth charts and adding supports to students who are below average for growth. Star testing is a valuable tool for MNOHS to see performance levels of students.	

Minnesota School report card provides informative data to MNOHS. MNOHS doubled the MCA testing number. Graduation rates have been rising for the last 5 years from 34% in 2021 to 54.4% in 2025. PUC – transfer in process after receiving notification they are willing to enter a mutual non-renewal with MNOHS. Date is still undetermined. Health and Dental open enrollment is currently going on through Benefits Lab. Renewals start 12/1. New Quarterly HR Newsletter went out this month to provide all information in one place.			
Yea: Sarah Benson, Heide Miller, Kelley Velleux, Amber Lamp, Ben Johnson, Kelly Dietrich, Tanya Hoskin			
Nay:			
Abstain:			
Motion Carried?	☒ Yes	☐ No	☐ No Quorum

Strategic Plan	**Time: 6:39**
By: Tracy Quarnstrom	
Discussion: Review of current strategic plan which runs from 2022-2027. Current plan lists the Mission, Vision, Guiding Principles, Strategic Principles, and Goals of MNOHS. A new plan should start to be thought about now that we are approaching the end of 2026. Quarnstrom will bring some ideas to the board for consideration.	

Updates from NEO and PUC	**Time: 6:40**
By: Tracy Quarnstrom	

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Discussion: The formal PUC mutual withdrawal form was presented to the board, this letter and signature from board chair Hoskin, follows the motion from last spring from the board to engage in this transfer from PUC to NEO.

Equity and Inclusion Discussion and Procedures			**Time: 6:41**
Motion: To approve the working plan for the Equity and Inclusion plan for 2026-27			
Made By: Kelly Dietrich		**Seconded By: Amber Lamp**	
Discussion: The equity and inclusion plan for MNOHS is still underway. A historical (2024) document/statement was shown along with the previous board proposal. In addition, the MDE document "A Toolkit for Ensuring Safe and Supportive Schools for Transgender and Gender Nonconforming Students."			
Yea: Yea: Sarah Benson, Heide Miller, Kelley Velleux, Amber Lamp, Ben Johnson, Kelly Dietrich, Tanya Hoskin			
Nay:			
Abstain:			
Motion Carried?	☒ Yes	☐ No	☐ No Quorum

ADSIS	**Time: 6:47**
By: Tracy Quarnstrom	
Discussion: ADSIS funding provides Minnesota public school districts and charter schools with state aid to deliver early academic and behavioral interventions to at-risk students, helping prevent unnecessary special education referrals. ADSIS funding has been a part of MNOHS for over 5 years. As of fall 2025 and for all years prior to that time that MNOHS had ADSIS funding we were funded based on the FTE of the Interventionist. 60% of salary and benefits of an interventionist were reimbursed by ADSIS funding in the past one year after the interventionist provided services to students.	

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Due to a change in reporting, now only hours that interventionists spend directly with students will count for reimbursement for ADSIS funding.

As of September 15th, MNOHS submitted our SHS to MDE and calculated our ADSIS funding for the 2526-school year. We were budgeted and expected to receive $235,650 and will be receiving under the new funding guidelines $52,287

Director Dietrich asked if there is any word on revision to ADSIS funding from the Blue-Ribbon Commission. If the Blue-Ribbon Commission's recommendations are accepted, it appears that MNOHS and other small charter schools will receive a flat base ADSIS amount of 30K.

Compensatory Revenue Task Force documents provided more background information for board members on other possible changes to funding
.
Blue Ribbon Commission Report on Special Education from September 2026 was also provided for more background information as to how funding works.

Director Quarnstrom and Katie Parker Riccio met with MDE 10/26/26 to discuss implications of ADSIS funding and to try to find ways to gain back from funding for MNOHS.

Cardiac Response Plan	**Time:** 6:56
Motion: To approve the Cardiac Response plan with needed revisions	
Made By: Kelley Velleux	**Seconded By: Heide Miller**
Discussion: The Cardiac Emergency Response Plan (CERP) provides a comprehensive strategy for responding to sudden cardiac arrest (SCA) on school grounds. The plan should become an addendum to the Crisis Management Policy and be included in a building-level crisis management plan under crisis-specific procedures for cardiac emergencies.	
Yea: Sarah Benson, Heide Miller, Kelley Velleux, Amber Lamp, Ben Johnson, Kelly Dietrich, Tanya Hoskin	

Nay:			
Abstain:			
Motion Carried?	☒ Yes	☐ No	☐ No Quorum

Policy Reviews and Schedule			**Time: 6:58**
Motion: To accept the Enrollment Policy and Policy 417 Chemical Use and Abuse			
Made By: Sarah Benson		**Seconded By: Kelley Velleux**	
Discussion: Policy revision schedule was reviewed along with the policy needs for 2026-2027. Enrollment policy 2nd reading was accepted. Chemical use and abuse policy 417 was also accepted. Detailed list of MSBA policies vs MNOHS current policies was shared showing where the need is for new or revised policies. This will be ongoing until completed.			
Yea: Sarah Benson, Heide Miller, Kelley Velleux, Amber Lamp, Ben Johnson, Kelly Dietrich, Tanya Hoskin			
Nay:			
Abstain:			
Motion Carried?	☒ Yes	☐ No	☐ No Quorum

Adjourn:			**Time: 7:03**
Motion: To adjourn the October regular school board meeting.			
Made By: Heide Miller		**Seconded By: Kelly Dietrich**	
Discussion: None			
Yea: Sarah Benson, Heide Miller, Kelley Velleux, Amber Lamp, Ben Johnson, Kelly Dietrich, Tanya Hoskin			
Nay:			
Abstain:			
Motion Carried?	☒ Yes	☐ No	☐ No Quorum