



ONAWAY AREA COMMUNITY SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING MINUTES
August 13th, 2026 - 5:30 PM
Onaway Classroom Room 207

1. Call to Order

A special meeting of the Onaway Area Community School District's Board of Education was held in the Media Center. Called to order by President Annette Porter at 5:30 p.m., on August 13th, 2026.

2. Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

3. Roll Call:

Annette Porter - present, Winfield - present, Kaszonyi - present, Bergstedt - present, Wolgast - present via video conference
Stacey Porter - absent

4. Approval of Agenda

Kaszonyi made a motion to approve the agenda as written, supported by Winfield. All in favor. Motion carried.

5. Citizens Present Public Comment Time

Kay Schnabel presented to the board. No action taken.

6. Action Items

a. Board Seat Vacancy Interviews

i. Wayne Vermilya - Interview held

ii. Katie Parr - Interview held

Discussion held.

Wolgast made a motion to appoint Katie Parr to the vacant board seat.

Annette Porter made a motion to appoint Wayne Vermilya to the vacant board seat.

Discussion held. Kaszonyi - Do you need a second on this?

Annette Porter - I do not believe we need a second because there has been Wayne and there has been Katie.

Kaszonyi - So we don't need a second either motion?

Annette Porter - No.

Kasoznyi - We just need to take a roll call vote?

Annette Porter - Correct. Closing the nominations.

Roll call vote:

Bergstedt - Katie Parr, Kaszonyi - Katie Parr, Winfield - Katie Parr, Wolgast - Katie Parr,

Annette Porter - Katie Parr

Motion carried.



7. Board Member Comments/Correspondence

President Porter clarified that sitting board members cannot be paid employees of the school. Discussion held with public.

Superintendent Jordan explained how the State of Emergency for our county affected our required "make-up" days at the end of the 2025-26 school year. Discussion held with public.

Kaszonyi spoke about setting aside funds for future needs for transportation, HVAC and technology.

Kaszonyi made a motion that upon the verification of levy funds, to take that \$99,000.00 and create 3 earmark line item funds in our budget. If we need to make an amendment, we can do that. Take and divide that \$99,000.00 by a third and place it into those three categories; HVAC, transportation, and technology, supported by Winfield.

Discussion held.

President Porter asked for clarification on technology. Kaszonyi explained he's talking about classroom technology. Discussion held.

Roll call:

Kaszonyi - yes, Winfield - yes, Wolgast - yes, Bergstedt - yes, Annette Porter - yes

Motion carried.

8. Adjournment

Kaszonyi made a motion to adjourn at 6:39 p.m., supported by Winfield. All in favor. Motion carried.

Mitchell Wolgast
Secretary, Board of Education

BOARD OF EDUCATION

Annette Porter
John Kaszonyi
Stacey Porter
Mitch Winfield
Laura Wolgast
Jocelyn Bergstedt

ADMINISTRATION

Shaun Jordan, Superintendent
Robin Benson, Elementary Principal
Bryan Pyle, Secondary Principal

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