



ONAWAY AREA COMMUNITY SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING MINUTES
January 13th, 2026 - 7:00 PM
Onaway Media Center

1. Call to Order

A regular organizational 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 7:00 p.m.

2. Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

3. Roll Call:

Annette Porter - present, Moran - present, Kaszonyi - present, Price - present, Winfield - present, Stacey Porter - present

4. Election of Officers

a. Nomination for President

Moran nominated Kaszonyi for President, supported by Winfield.

Stacey Porter nominated Annette Porter for President, supported by Price.

Stacey Porter moved to appoint Annette Porter for President, supported by Price. Discussion held.

Roll call vote: Moran - yes, Kaszonyi - yes, Price - yes, Winfield - yes, Stacey Porter - yes, Annette Porter - abstain. Motion carried. Annette Porter for Board President.

b. Nomination for Vice President

Stacey Porter nominated Moran for Vice President, supported by Annette Porter.

Moran nominated Kaszonyi for Vice President, supported by Price. Discussion held.

Winfield moved to appoint Moran as Vice President, supported by Stacey Porter.

Roll call vote: Price - yes, Winfield - yes, Stacey Porter - yes, Kaszonyi - yes, Moran - yes, Annette Porter - yes. Motion carried. Tom Moran for Board Vice President.

c. Nomination for Secretary

Stacey Porter nominated Price for Secretary, supported by Moran.

Moran moved to close nominations, supported by Stacey Porter.

Roll call vote: Kaszonyi - yes, Moran - yes, Stacey Porter - yes, Winfield - yes, Price - yes, Annette Porter - yes. Motion carried. Price for Secretary.

d. Nomination for Treasurer

Price nominated Stacey Porter for Treasurer, supported by Moran.

Moran moved to close nominations, supported by Stacey Porter.

Roll call vote: Price - yes, Kaszonyi - yes, Moran - yes, Winfield - yes, Stacey Porter - yes, Annette Porter - yes. Motion carried. Stacey Porter for Treasurer.

5. Approval of minutes for Regular/Special Meetings

a. December 30th, 2025 Special Meeting

Kaszonyi made a motion to approve the December 30th, 2025 special meeting minutes, supported by Moran. All in favor. Motion carried.



6. Approval of Agenda

8. Moran made a motion to approve the agenda as written, supported by Price. All in favor. Motion carried.

7. Citizens Present Public Comment Time

Sterling LaPratt presented to the board. No action taken.
Wayne Vermilya presented to the board. No action taken.

8. Information Items

- a. Superintendent Report - attached
 - i. Staff Spotlight - Kym Wregglesworth
- b. Elementary Principal's Report - attached
- c. Secondary Principal's Report - attached

9. Financial Report

- a. Approval of Bills
Stacey Porter moved to approve the (December) bills as written, supported by Kaszonyi. Discussion held. All in favor. Motion carried.
- b. Approval of Financial Reports
Stacey Porter moved to approve the (December) financial report, supported by Price. Discussion held. All in favor. Motion carried.

10. Regular Business

- a. Regular and Committee of the Whole Meeting Dates
Price moved to designate regular meetings on the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m., the committee as a whole meetings on the 4th Tuesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. and the scheduled workshop is on the 4th Tuesday of June at 6:30 p.m., supported by Moran. All in favor. Motion carried.
- b. Authorization to Be Listed on Accounts and Sign Checks from Accounts
Moran made a motion to authorize the Superintendent and Business Manager to be listed on the MILAF General and MILAF Capital Funds accounts, the Superintendent, Business Manager, and School Board Treasurer to be listed on and to sign checks from all accounts at Citizens National Bank: General Checking, IMMA, Payroll, Aflac, School Lunch, Debt Service, Elementary Activities and High School Activities, and lastly, to authorize the Elementary and Secondary Principals to also be listed on and to sign checks from the Elementary Activities and High School Activities accounts, supported by Winfield. All in favor. Motion carried.
- c. Designation of New Signer
Moran made a motion to add the Board Treasurer, Stacey Porter, onto the Elementary Activities and High School Activities accounts, as well as the AFLAC account, the Debt Service Fund, and the IMMA account, supported by Kaszonyi. All in favor. Motion carried.



d. Board Salaries

Stacey Porter made a motion to set salaries at \$40 per month, payable on the second pay cycle of December, supported by Price. All in favor. Motion carried.

e. Designation of School Attorneys

Price moved to designate Thrun Law Firm as the school district attorney, supported by Stacey Porter. Discussion held.

Roll Call Vote: Moran - no, Kaszonyi - yes, Price - yes, Winfield - yes, Stacey Porter - yes, Annette Porter - yes. Motion carried.

f. Designation of Board Counsel

Stacey Porter moved to designate Thrun Law Firm as the school district Board Counsel, supported by Price. Discussion held.

Roll call vote: Kaszonyi - yes, Price - yes, Winfield - yes, Stacey Porter - yes, Annette Porter - yes, Moran - yes. Motion carried.

g. Appointment of a Volunteer Board Member as a Representative on the ISD Board

Stacey Porter motioned to appoint Kaszonyi as a Representative on the ISD Board, supported by Moran. All in favor. Motion carried.

h. Authorization to post Board meeting notices

Price made a motion to designate the Superintendent's secretary as the direct employee authorized to post Board meeting notices under the Open Meetings Act, supported by Moran. All in favor. Motion carried.

i. Approval of Teacher Resignation

Kaszonyi made a motion to accept Mark Grant's resignation effective 6/11/2026, supported by Moran. All in favor. Motion carried.

11. Board Member Comments/Correspondence

Kaszonyi congratulated Annette Porter on her new leadership.

Price read an email from Up North Advocacy asking to be considered as an agenda item in an upcoming meeting.

Kaszonyi questioned fees and costs related to HVAC in accordance with "green energy options". What are the up front costs and what are the guaranteed reimbursements?

12. Adjournment

Moran made a motion to adjourn at 8:05p.m. supported by Winfield. All in favor. Motion carried.

11. End

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Board of Education Secretary

BOARD OF EDUCATION

Annette Porter
Thomas Moran
Mitchell Winfield
Stacey Porter
John Kaszonyi
Taed Price

ADMINISTRATION

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

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