

# ***Ohio Digital Learning School***

## ***Meeting Minutes***

March 25, 2026

10:00 AM

1745 Indian Wood Circle

Maumee, Ohio 43537

### **Zoom link:**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81425972078?pwd=euykKhsSBPqNWopXtoaDo2JASrP7sl.1>

**Meeting ID:** 814 2597 2078

**Passcode:** 209285

### **I. Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 10:10 AM.

### **II. Roll Call**

#### **Board Members Present:**

Chelsea Whetsel, Vice President

Tiffany Morrissey, Secretary

Jasmine Smith, Director

#### **Board Members Absent:**

Chris Canova, President

Gregory Fockler, Treasurer

A quorum was established with three out of five board members present.

#### **Other Attendees:**

Laura Houghton, *Operations Manager*

Brian Powderly, *Executive Director*

Theresa Bourgeois, *EMIS and Title I Coordinator*

Angie Day, *ODLS Principal*

Erin Ramsey, *ODLS Academic Administrator of Special Programs*

Todd McIntire, *PVP, Stride*

Derek Schult, *Finance Manager, Stride*

Lisa Zyriek, *Stride*

Becky Enz, Esq., *Board Legal Counsel*

Kristin Pallitta, *OCCS*

Kaleigh Poe, *ODLS Office Administrator*

Josh Goodall, *ODLS Assistant Academic Administrator*

### **III. Public Comment**

None.

### **IV. Review of Agenda**

**V. Action and Discussion Items**

**A. Approval of Minutes of Prior Meeting**

The Board reviewed the meeting minutes and requested a correction to the date on the minutes to reflect February 18, 2026.

**26-13 RESOLVED**, that the Board of Directors approves the minutes of the meeting of February 18, 2026, as corrected.

Motion: Ms. Morrissey      Second: Ms. Smith  
Ayes: 3      Nays: 0

**B. Financial Report**

• **Federal Subgrant Expenditures**

Mr. Schult presented the financial report as of February 28, 2026, and discussed revenue and expenses, the 1-million-dollar payment to K12, and federal funds. The school is now receiving hybrid and CTE funding. The FY25 audit was completed with no findings. Mr. Schult reviewed the current verses prior year forecast, as well as the balance sheet with assets and liabilities.

**26-14 RESOLVED**, that the Board of Directors approves the financial update, and bank reconciliation, and a payment to Stride K12 as presented, including approval of federal subgrant expenditures.

Motion: Ms. Smith      Second: Ms. Whetsel  
Ayes: 3      Nays: 0

**C. Fiscal Officer Waiver**

The Board reviewed the fiscal officer waiver.

**26-15 WHEREAS**, pursuant to ORC 3314.011(A), every community school is required to have a designated fiscal officer employed or engaged by the governing authority;

**WHEREAS**, ORC 3314.011(D)(1) allows the governing authority to waive the requirement that the governing authority be the party responsible for employing or contracting with the fiscal officer for a one-year period;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, the governing authority waives the requirement to contract or employ the fiscal officer and designates Dawn Cummings as fiscal officer for the 2026-2027 school year, subject to sponsor approval.

Motion: Ms. Morrissey      Second: Ms. Smith  
Ayes: 3      Nays: 0

**D. Head of School Report**

- **Number of Suspensions and Expulsions**
- **Staffing Updates**

Mr. Powderly presented the school report and discussed enrollment and reported zero suspensions and expulsions. He reviewed the positive feedback from the student survey for at-risk students interested in more academic help. He discussed the end-of-course exams that took place in 25 sites across the state. Graduation will take place on June 11, 2026.

**26-16 RESOLVED**, that the Board of Directors accepts the state of the school report as presented, including the number of suspensions and expulsions.

Motion: Ms. Whetsel      Second: Ms. Morrissey  
Ayes: 3      Nays: 0

**E. Policy Approval**

Ms. Enz discussed the policies listed below.

**26-17 RESOLVED**, the Board of Directors approves and adopts the following policies as presented:

- Technology & Internet Safety Policy
- Artificial Intelligence Policy
- Imitation Protein Policy

Motion: Ms. Smith      Second: Ms. Morrissey  
Ayes: 3      Nays: 0

**F. Admission Enrollment Residency Policy Revision Discussion**

The Board discussed the potential revisions to the Admission, Enrollment, and Residency Policy.

**G. Sponsor Contract Modification**

The Board discussed the sponsor contract modification.

**26-18 RESOLVED**, that the Board of Directors hereby approves and adopts the sponsor contract modification and authorizes the Board Vice President to sign said modification pending legal counsel review.

Motion: Ms. Whetsel      Second: Ms. Morrissey  
Ayes: 3      Nays: 0

**H. Board Membership Discussion**

The Board discussed a potential member; Ms. Whetsel will send the resume for review.

**VI. Informational Report**

**A. Legal Update**

- **Sunshine Law Training**

Ms. Enz presented the legal update and gave a reminder to the Board to complete Sunshine Law training.

**B. Sponsor Update**

Ms. Pallitta presented the sponsor update and discussed the online learning day at the state house and the OCCS scholarship. She noted that all board members have completed Sunshine Law training.

**C. Stride Update**

Mr. McIntire presented the Stride update and discussed the focus on preparations for the testing season, as well as for next year. He noted the work on innovations to systems.

**VII. Confirmation of Next Meeting:**

**Date: April 22, 2026**

**Time: 10:00 AM**

Location: 1745 Indian Wood Circle  
Suite 110  
Maumee, Ohio 43537

**VIII. Adjournment: 10:38 AM**

Motion: Ms. Morrissey      Second: Ms. Smith

Ayes: 3      Nays: 0

---

Approved by the Board of Directors of Ohio Digital Learning School on April 22, 2026.

Signed by:  
  
\_\_\_\_\_  
8459A0C800F409  
Board President/Secretary