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***KBOCC Mission Statement:** As a tribal land grant institution, Keweenaw Bay Ojibwa Community College supports and uplifts all learners to achieve their goals through holistic education, while promoting Anishinaabe culture, language, and lifeways.*

BOARD OF REGENTS
REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES
June 29, 2026, 10:00 A.M.
BOARD ROOM | WABANUNG CAMPUS

I. **CALL TO ORDER:** Meeting called to order at 10:01am by Robin Chosa

II. **ROLL CALL:**

X	ROBIN CHOSA, CHAIR
X	DIANNE WAARA, VICE CHAIR
X	KAREN ANDERSEN, TRUSTEE
	DONALD L. CHOSA, TRUSTEE
X	DEANNA FOUCAULT, TRUSTEE
X	TYLER LARSON, TRUSTEE
X	KEITH ROLOF, TRUSTEE
	KATHLEEN SMITH, TRUSTEE
	(VACANT), STUDENT GOVERNMENT

III. **GUESTS:** Melissa Kiesewetter, Kayli Salmela, Megan Haataja, Kit Laux, Alex Mayo, Cort Dumas, Shannon DesRochers, Corey Pietila

IV. **QUORUM DECLARATION:** A quorum was declared by Robin Chosa.

V. **OPENING PRAYER:** The prayer was delivered by Karen Andersen.

VI. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** Motion to approve the agenda was made by Dianne Waara, supported by Deanna Foucault. Motion passed unanimously.

VII. **MINUTES:** Motion to approve the June 8, 2026 Board of Regents meeting minutes was made by Karen Andersen, supported by Dianne Waara. Motion passed; Deanna Foucault abstained.

VIII. **OLD BUSINESS:**

A. TREASURER/SECRETARY VOTE

Discussion about separating secretary and treasurer roles. Review of current and previous bylaws language regarding Board officers. Motion to table the secretary/treasurer vote until August meeting when new bylaws language can be drafted and reviewed was made by Keith Rolof, supported by Dianne Waara. Motion passed unanimously.

IX. NEW BUSINESS:

A. CAMPUS SAFETY AND SECURITY MANUAL*

ACTION ITEM – CORT DUMAS

Question about federal or state guidelines for safety considerations that may or may not be applicable to KBOCC. Response that inspections, plans, and documentation for fire drills are being maintained by the person in the safety coordinator position. We work to abide by the spirit of safety laws and guidelines even if KBOCC is not always governed by them because we are accountable for the safety of our students and community.

Motion to approve the Campus Safety and Security Manual as presented was made by Keith Rolof, supported by Deanna Foucault. Motion passed unanimously.

B. INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY AND RISK MANAGEMENT COORDINATOR JOB DESCRIPTION*

ACTION ITEM – COREY PIETILA

Cort Dumas, previously the Safety Coordinator, has been hired as the KBOCC Land Grant Director. This new IT/Risk Management job description contains several parts of the Safety Coordinator job description and captures the IT pieces that have been coming up in the development of the role. Motion to approve the Information Technology/Risk Management Coordinator job description was made by Dianne Foucault, supported by Dianne Waara. Motion passed unanimously.

C. RETAINING WALL/STAIRCASE REPAIR BIDS*

ACTION ITEM – ALEX MAYO

Motion to approve Bid #1 for Northern Landscapes as presented was made by Keith Rolof, supported by Karen Andersen. Motion passed unanimously.

D. CHILDCARE LICENSES (LITTLE EAGLES AND OELC)

ACTION ITEM – KIT LAUX

Motion to approve Little Eagles and OELC licenses as presented was made by Deanna Foucault, supported by Dianne Waara. Motion passed unanimously.

E. CHILDCARE FAMILY HANDBOOKS (LITTLE EAGLES AND OELC)*

ACTION ITEM – KIT LAUX

Motion to approve Little Eagles and OELC Family Handbooks as presented was made by Deanna Foucault, supported by Dianne Waara. Motion passed unanimously.

F. GSRP VEHICLE BIDS*

ACTION ITEM – KIT LAUX

Funding for this vehicle is supported by the CCISD. Motion to approve Bid #1 for \$62,874, and if Bid #1 is unavailable, Bid #2 for \$61,464 for a GSRP vehicle was made by Keith Rolof, supported by Karen Andersen. Motion passed unanimously.

G. FACULTY GUIDEBOOK*

ACTION ITEM – MEGAN HAATAJA

Motion to approve the Faculty Guidebook as presented was made by Deanna Foucault, supported by Dianne Waara. Motion passed unanimously.

H. 2026-2028 KBOCC CATALOG*

ACTION ITEM – MEGAN HAATAJA

Motion to approve the faculty guidebook including any pending changes to board titles by Deanna Foucault, supported by Keith Rolof. Motion passed unanimously.

I. ACCOUNTING MANUAL CHANGES*

ACTION ITEM – SHANNON DESROCHERS

Motion to approve the Purchasing and Procurement Policy in the Accounting Procedures Manual including a change to the procurement part from \$25,000 to \$15,000 to match 2-CFR was made by Keith Rolof, supported by Deanna Foucault. Motion passed unanimously.

Superior National Bank recommended during their meeting that only one Board member and the President of KBOCC be required to sign checks. Motion to approve the Accounts Payable Disbursements Section changes as presented was made by Karen Andersen, supported by Tyler Larson. Motion passed unanimously.

J. 2026-2027 KBOCC BUDGETS*

ACTION ITEM – SHANNON DESROCHERS

Motion to approve the 2026-2027 KBOCC Budgets as presented was made by Deanna Foucault, supported by Karen Andersen. Motion passed unanimously.

X. OTHER:

A. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Expect an email vote for REMC contract renewal.

B. STUDENT GOVERNMENT UPDATE

N/A

C. BOARD CHAIR REPORT

Working with Board Liaison to plan the Board Retreat and upcoming training. Requested suggestions for location. KBOCC w/ catering from Three Sisters, Lakeside, Casino, etc.

XI. UPCOMING MEETINGS:

A. REGULAR MEETING: August 10th, 2026, 10:00 A.M.

B. HALF-DAY BOARD TRAINING W/ BRAD PIAZZA (HLC): August 10th, 2026
after lunch following regular BOR meeting

C. ACCT BOARD RETREAT W/ LUKE ROBINS: August 14/15, 2026 (poll for date).
Motion to approve Friday, August 14th at KBOCC, catered through Three Sisters Cafe was made by Deanna Foucault, supported by Dianne Waara. Motion passed unanimously. Keith has a morning conflict but can attend afterwards.

XII. CLOSED SESSION: N/A

XIII. FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER/PUBLIC COMMENT:

XIV. ADJOURNMENT: Motion to adjourn at 12:02 PM was made by Keith Rolof, supported by Deanna Foucault. Motion passed unanimously.

DIANNE WAARA, VICE CHAIR

DATE

**DENOTES ITEM WITH SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS*