



**MINUTES OF THE
REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING OF
February 6, 2024**

I. Regular Board Meeting Called to Order - A Regular Meeting of the Oakland Schools Board of Education was called to order by Board President George Ehlert at 6:30 pm on February 6, 2024, at Oakland Schools, 2111 Pontiac Lake Road, Waterford, Michigan.

II. Roll Call – Board Secretary Williams called the roll.

Present: Board Members George Ehlert, Theresa Rich, Marc Katz, Connie Williams, Steven Gottlieb

Superintendent Dr. Wanda Cook-Robinson was also present along with Deputy Superintendent Kenneth Gutman and Assistant Superintendents Teri Les and Dandridge Floyd.

III. Public Comments – There were no public comments.

IV. Information from the Superintendent and Administration

A. Superintendent's Report:

- A report on Literacy Essentials Oakland (LEO 2.1) was presented.
- An overview of the Business Official Residency Program was presented.

B. Legislative Update – A written legislative update was presented.

C. Deputy Superintendent Ken Gutman presented an update on Talent Together.

V. Regular Working Agenda

A. Board of Education

1. Reports – None

2. Discussion:

- a) Oakland Schools Board Policies - First Reading: Policy 3670: Construction and Technology Infrastructure Cost Event Authorization - Policy 3670 was presented to the Board for a First Reading. The Board read and discussed the Policy.

3. Action:

- a) Approval of Minutes of the Special Board Meeting of January 9, 2024, and the Regular Board Meeting of January 16, 2024. – It was moved by Board Secretary Williams, with the support of Board Treasurer Katz, to approve the minutes of the Special Board Meeting of January 9, 2024, and the Regular Board Meeting of January 16, 2024, as presented by the Administration. The Board Secretary called the roll for the vote.

Ehlert - yes Katz – yes Williams – yes Rich – yes Gottlieb - yes

Motion carried 5/0

- b) Approval of Pre-Travel Requests of the Regular Board Meeting of February 6, 2024 – It was moved by Vice President Rich, with the support of Board Trustee Gottlieb, to approve the pre-travel requests for the Regular Board Meeting of February 6, 2024, as presented by the Administration. The Board Secretary called the roll for the vote.

Ehlert - yes Katz – yes Williams – yes Rich – yes Gottlieb - yes

Motion carried 5/0

B. Educational Services

1. Reports:

- a) An overview of the Strong Beginnings pilot was presented.

2. Discussion – None

3. Action:

- a) Approval of Intergovernmental Agreement: Clinton County Regional Educational Service Agency (CCRESA) - It was moved by Board Treasurer Katz, with the support of Vice President Rich, to authorize the Administration to execute an Intergovernmental Agreement for Help Me Grow in the amount not to exceed \$839,095.00 to the Clinton County Regional Educational Service Agency (CCRESA), for the period March 1, 2024 to February 28, 2027, as presented by the Administration. The Board Secretary called the roll for the vote.

Ehlert - yes Katz – yes Williams – yes Rich – yes Gottlieb - yes

Motion carried 5/0

- b) Acceptance of Donation: Student Services Donations - It was moved by Board Secretary Williams, with the support of Board Treasurer Katz, to accept the donation request submitted by Student Services on February 6, 2024, as presented by the Administration. The item(s) donated include four check donations - two in the amount of \$1,000, and two in the amount of \$2,500, and a 2010 Town & Country Minivan., as presented by the Administration. The Board Secretary called the roll for the vote.

Ehlert - yes Katz – yes Williams – yes Rich – yes Gottlieb - yes

Motion carried 5/0

- c) Overnight Field Trip Request: Student Services Oakland Schools Technical Campuses – Northwest, Southwest, Southeast - It was moved by Board Secretary Williams, with the support of Board Treasurer Katz, to approve the overnight field trip request from Student Services on February 6, 2024, as presented by the Administration. The Board Secretary called the roll for the vote.

Ehlert - yes Katz – yes Williams – yes Rich – yes Gottlieb - yes

Motion carried 5/0

C. Human Resources

1. Reports - None
2. Discussion - None
3. Action:

- a) Approval of Personnel Report of February 6, 2024 – It was moved by Board Secretary Williams, with the support of Vice President Rich, to approve the Personnel Report of February 6, 2024, as presented by the Administration. The Board Secretary called the roll for the vote.

Ehlert - yes Katz – yes Williams – yes Rich – yes Gottlieb - yes

Motion carried 5/0

D. Finance & Operations

1. Reports – None
2. Discussion - None
3. Action:

- a) Approval of Contract Award: Premier Relocations – It was moved by Board Secretary Williams, with the support of Board Treasurer Katz, to authorize the Administration to execute a contract award in an amount not to exceed \$86,000.00 to Premier Relocations for the period February 7, 2024 to September 30, 2024, as presented by the Administration. The Board Secretary called the roll for the vote.

Ehlert - yes Katz – yes Williams – yes Rich – yes Gottlieb - yes

Motion carried 5/0

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E. Technology Services

1. Reports - None
2. Discussion – None
3. Action - None

VI. Board Member Comments/Announcements

Board Treasurer Katz shared information from the National School Boards Association (NSBA) Equity Symposium and Advocacy Institute which was held in Washington DC. He mentioned that the Michigan Association of School Boards will hold an election this year for seats on the MASB Board of Directors. He stated that an election ballot will be on the agenda for action at the February 20, 2024, Oakland Schools Regular Board meeting. He also mentioned that a candidate forum for the election will be held at Oakland Schools.

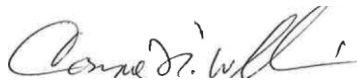
Vice President Rich shared information from the NSBA Equity Symposium and Advocacy Institute. She suggested a reconsideration of Board Members' travel dates for future conferences to maximize participation. She mentioned that she will be absent from the March 19, 2024 Regular Board meeting due to a scheduling conflict with a Farmington Hills event.

Board President Ehlert thanked the Trustees who attended the NSBA conference events. He asked the Administration to check on available dates in March to hold a special board meeting. He also mentioned that a fundraiser event will be held on April 24, 2024 in support of Oakland Schools Education Foundation Scholarships for Success. He mentioned that he will be absent from the Board Meeting scheduled to be held on February 20, 2024.

VII. Additional Items – There were no additional items.

VIII. Adjournment – The Board President adjourned the meeting at 8:38 p.m.

Approved on: February 20, 2024



Connie R. Williams, Board Secretary