



**Minutes of the
Regular Board Of Education Meeting of
February 18, 2025**

I. Regular Board Meeting Called to Order - A Regular Meeting of the Oakland Schools Board of Education was called to order by Board President Marc Katz at 6:30 pm on February 18, 2025, at Oakland Schools, 2111 Pontiac Lake Road, Waterford, Michigan.

II. Roll Call – Board Secretary Carol Finkelstein called the roll.

Present: Board Members Marc Katz, Carol Finkelstein, Connie Williams, George Ehlert, Steven Gottlieb

Superintendent Ken Gutman, Deputy Superintendent Chris Delgado, and Assistant Superintendents Dandridge Floyd and Teri Les were present.

III. Public Comments:

- Danielle Bresett expressed concern regarding the closing of the Lake Orion Pine Tree Center

IV. Information from the Superintendent and Administration

A legislative report was provided by Lisa Hansknecht, Executive Director of Government Relations and Community Services.

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V. Regular Working Agenda

A. Board of Education

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

- a) Michigan Association of School Boards Region 8 Board of Directors Candidate Endorsement 2025 – It was moved by Board Secretary Finkelstein, with the support of Board Trustee Ehlert, to endorse Scott Wallace of Fraser Public Schools to fill the vacancy on the MASB Board of Directors, Region 8. The Board Secretary called the roll for the vote.

Katz-yes Williams-yes Finkelstein-yes Gottlieb-yes Ehlert-yes

Motion carried 5/0

- b) Approval of Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of January 28, 2025 – It was moved by Vice President Williams, with the support of Board Treasurer Gottlieb, to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of January 28, 2025, as presented by the Administration. The Board Secretary called the roll for the vote.

Katz-yes Williams-yes Finkelstein-yes Gottlieb-yes Ehlert-yes

Motion carried 5/0

- c) Approval of Pre-Travel Requests of the Regular Board Meeting of February 18, 2025 – It was moved by Board Secretary Finkelstein, with the support of Board Treasurer Gottlieb, to approve the pre-travel requests of February 18, 2025, as presented by the Administration. The Board Secretary called the roll for the vote.

Katz-yes Williams-yes Finkelstein-yes Gottlieb-yes Ehlert-yes

Motion carried 5/0

B. Educational Services

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

- a) Approval of Contract Renewal (originally bid): KCK, Inc. (dba Student Management Group) – It was moved by Board Trustee Ehlert, with the support of Board Secretary Finkelstein, to authorize the administration to execute a contract renewal with KCK, Inc., dba Student Management Group for the period July 1, 2025, to June 30, 2026, with an option to renew for one (1) year through June 30, 2027. The Board Secretary called the roll for the vote.

Katz – yes Williams – yes Finkelstein – yes Gottlieb – yes Ehlert – yes

Motion carried 5/0

- b) Approval of Student Services Overnight Fieldtrips: Oakland Schools Technical Campuses – It was moved by Board Vice President Williams, with the support of Board Secretary Finkelstein, to approve the Overnight Field Trip Requests from Student Services on February 18, 2025, as presented by the Administration. The Board Secretary called the roll for the vote.

Katz – yes Williams – yes Finkelstein – yes Gottlieb – yes Ehlert – yes

Motion carried 5/0

- c) Approval of Intergovernmental Agreement: Clarkston Community Schools for the Provision of Special Education – It was moved by Board Treasurer Gottlieb, with the support of Board Trustee Ehlert, to authorize the Administration to execute a Intergovernmental Agreement for the provision of Special Education Service Provider services in the amount not to exceed \$300,000 to the AnthroMed, for the period September 01, 2024 to August 31, 2025, as presented by the Administration. The Board Secretary called the roll for the vote.

Katz – yes Williams – yes Finkelstein – yes Gottlieb – yes Ehlert – yes

Motion carried 5/0

A. Human Resources

1. Reports - None
2. Discussion - None
3. Action:
 - a) Approval of Personnel List of February 18, 2025 – It was moved by Board Trustee Ehlert, with the support of Vice President Williams, to approve the personnel report of February 18, 2025, as presented by the Administration. The Board Secretary called the roll for the vote.

Katz – yes Williams – yes Finkelstein – yes Gottlieb – yes Ehlert – yes

Motion carried 5/0

It was moved by Board Trustee Ehlert, with the support of Vice President Williams, to approve items b, c, and d, as follows:

- b) The 2025-2026 10-12 Month Non-Union Staff Calendar as presented by the Administration.
- c) The 2025-2026 Non-Union Non-Instructional Calendar, as presented by the Administration.
- d) The 2025-2026 VLAC Instructional School Calendar, as presented by Administration.

The Board Secretary called the roll for the vote.

Katz – yes Williams – yes Finkelstein – yes Gottlieb – yes Ehlert – yes

Motion carried 5/0

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D. Finance, Operations & Shared Services

1. Report - None

2. Discussion - None

3. Action:

- a) Acceptance of Financial Reports: October-December 2024 – It was moved by Board Treasurer Gottlieb, with the support of Board Secretary Finkelstein, to accept the October-December 2024 financial reports, as presented by the Administration.. The Board Secretary called the roll for the vote.

Katz – yes Williams – yes Finkelstein – yes Gottlieb – yes Ehlert – yes

Motion carried 5/0

E. Technology Services

1. Reports - None

2. Discussion – None

3. Action:

- a) Approval of Contract Award: Sehi Computer Products, Inc. – It was moved by Board Trustee Ehlert, with the support of Board Secretary Finkelstein, to authorize the Administration to execute a contract award in an amount not to exceed \$90,324.48 to Sehi Computer Products, Inc. for the period February 19, 2025 to February 18, 2026, as presented by the Administration. The Board Secretary called the roll for the vote.

Katz – yes Williams – yes Finkelstein – yes Gottlieb – yes Ehlert – yes

Motion carried 5/0

- b) Approval of Contract Award: People Driven Technology, Inc. – It was moved by Board Secretary Finkelstein, with the support of Board Vice President Williams, to authorize the Administration to execute a contract award in an amount not to exceed \$217,366.00 to People Driven Technology, Inc. for the period February 19, 2025 to June 30, 2025, as presented by the Administration. The Board Secretary called the roll for the vote.

Katz – yes Williams – yes Finkelstein – yes Gottlieb – yes Ehlert – yes

Motion carried 5/0

- c) Approval of Contract Renewal: Uniti Fiber, LLC – It was moved by Board Secretary Finkelstein, with the support of Board Trustee Ehlert, to authorize the Administration to execute a contract renewal in an amount not to exceed \$55,335.00 to Uniti Fiber, LLC for the period of February 19, 2025 to June 30, 2026, as presented by the Administration. The Board Secretary called the roll for the vote.

Katz – yes Williams – yes Finkelstein – yes Gottlieb – yes Ehlert – yes

Motion carried 5/0

VI. Board Member Comments/Announcements

Board Trustee Ehlert announced that the Oakland Schools Scripps Regional Spelling Bee will be held on March 1, 2025, at Oakland University.

Board President Katz announced that the Board conducted Superintendent Ken Gutman's mid-year evaluation at a special meeting held earlier today. He stated that the Board determined that the Superintendent's work performance is highly efficient.

The Board President stated that the Board received an Invitation to speak at the FIRST of Michigan Robotics Competition at Ferndale High which will be held on Saturday, March 1, at 10:30 am, and on Sunday, March 2, at 9:00 am. Board Vice President Williams stated that he would be available to participate on Saturday, March 1, at 10:30 a.m. and the Board President stated that he would be available on Sunday, March 2, at 9:00 am.

Board President Katz reminded everyone that a Special Board Meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 5, at 2:00 pm and the agenda will include safety and security training with the Oakland County Sheriff's Department and a BoardDocs and Diligent system overview.

The Board President stated that the March 18, 2025, Regular Board meeting will be held at 6:30 pm at the Oakland Schools Technical Campus Southwest. He stated that the Board Facilities Committee meeting will be held at the campus at 4:30 pm and a campus tour will be held at 5:30 pm.

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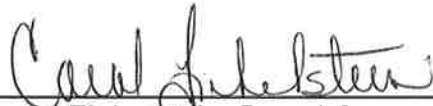
The Board President also mentioned that the Oakland County School Board Association dinner meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 2, at 6:00 pm at the Oakland Schools Technical Campus Northwest with campus tours at 5:15 pm and 5:30 pm.

Board President Katz and Board Secretary Finkelstein shared information regarding their participation at the recent National School Board Association Advocacy and Equity Institute which was held in Washington DC.

VII. Additional Items – There were no additional items.

VIII. Adjournment – Board President Katz adjourned the meeting at 7:11 p.m.

Approved on March 4, 2025



Carol Finkelstein, Board Secretary