



**Minutes of the  
Regular Board Of Education Meeting of  
April 15, 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 April 15, 2025, at Oakland Schools located at 2111 Pontiac Lake Road in Waterford, Michigan.
- II. Roll Call** – Board Secretary Carol Finkelstein called the roll.  
  
Present: Board Members Marc Katz, Carol Finkelstein, George Ehlert, Steven Gottlieb  
Absent: Board Member Connie Williams  
  
Superintendent Ken Gutman, Deputy Superintendent Chris Delgado, and Assistant Superintendents Dandridge Floyd and Teri Les were present.
- III. Public Comments** – There were no public comments.
- IV. Information from the Superintendent and Administration**
  - A. Legislative Update** – A legislative update was provided by Lisa Hansknecht, Executive Director of Government Relations and Community Services.
  - B. Superintendent's Report** – A report on the STEMi Mobile Innovation Station was presented.

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## **V. Regular Working Agenda**

### **A. Board of Education**

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

- a) Approval of Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of April 1, 2025 and the Special Board Meeting of April 8, 2025 – It was moved by Board Trustee Ehlert, with the support of Board Treasurer Gottlieb, to approve the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of April 1, 2025 and the Special Board Meeting of April 8, 2025, as presented by the Administration. The Board Secretary called the roll for the vote.

Katz-yes Finkelstein-yes Ehlert-yes Gottlieb – yes

Motion carried 4/0

- b) Approval of Pre-Travel Requests of the Regular Board Meeting of April 15, 2025 – It was moved by Board Trustee Ehlert, with the support of Board Treasurer Gottlieb, to approve the pre-travel requests of April 15, 2025, as presented by the Administration. The Board Secretary called the roll for the vote.

Katz-yes Finkelstein-yes Ehlert-yes Gottlieb – yes

Motion carried 4/0

### **B. Educational Services**

1. Report – None
2. Discussion – None
3. Action:

- a) Approval of Contract Award: Headstream Technologies – It was moved by Board Secretary Finkelstein, with the support of Board Treasurer Gottlieb, to authorize the Administration to execute a contract award in an amount not to exceed \$34,657 to Headstream Technologies for the period July 1, 2025, to June 30, 2026, as presented by the Administration. The Board Secretary called the roll for the vote.

Katz-yes Finkelstein-yes Ehlert-yes Gottlieb – yes

Motion carried 4/0

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- b) Approval of Purchase Order: Mackin Educational Resources – It was moved by Board Trustee Ehlert, with the support of Board Secretary Finkelstein, to authorize the Administration to execute a purchase order in an amount not to exceed \$187,200.00 to Mackin Educational Resources for the period April 15, 2025 to September 30, 2025, as presented by the Administration. The Board Secretary called the roll for the vote.

Katz-yes Finkelstein-yes Ehlert-yes Gottlieb – yes

Motion carried 4/0

- c) Approval of Overnight Field Trip Request: Student Services - OSTC Campuses – It was moved by Board Secretary Finkelstein, with the support of Board Treasurer Gottlieb, to approve the Overnight Field Trip Requests from Student Services on April 15, 2025, as presented by the Administration. The Board Secretary called the roll for the vote.

Katz-yes Finkelstein-yes Ehlert-yes Gottlieb – yes

Motion carried 4/0

### **C. Human Resources**

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

- a) Approval of Personnel List of April 15, 2025 – It was moved Board Treasurer Gottlieb, with the support of Board Secretary Finkelstein, to approve the personnel report of April 15, 2025, as presented by the Administration. The Board Secretary called the roll for the vote.

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

Motion carried 4/0

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#### **D. Finance, Operations & Shared Services**

1. Report - None
2. Discussion - None
3. Action:
  - a) Approval of Purchase Order: The Interior Group, Inc. - It was moved by Board Secretary Finkelstein, with the support of Board Trustee Ehlert, to authorize the Administration to execute a purchase order in an amount not to exceed \$68,469.93 to The Interior Group, Inc. for furniture for the Technical Centers as presented. The Board Secretary called the roll for the vote.

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

Motion carried 4/0

#### **E. Technology Services**

1. Report – None
2. Discussion – None
3. Action – None

#### **VI. Board Member Comments/Announcements**

Board Trustee Ehlert shared information regarding Oakland Schools Education Foundation scholarship awards. He mentioned the awards would be presented during a recognition ceremony on April 28, 2025. He also mentioned that a Teacher of the Year Awards Ceremony will be held on May 8, 2025.

Board President Katz and Board Secretary Finkelstein shared information from their participation at the 2025 National School Boards Association Annual Conference.

The Board President reminded everyone that the LEA Designates Meeting is scheduled to be held on April 23, 2025. He also mentioned that Mother's Day buffet events are scheduled to be held at various Oakland Schools' technical campuses during the first week of May.

#### **VII. Additional Items – There were no additional items.**

#### **VIII. Adjournment – Board President Katz adjourned the meeting at 7:19 p.m.**

Approved on May 13, 2025



Carol Finkelstein, Board Secretary

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