



**Minutes of the
Regular Board Of Education Meeting of
May 13, 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 May 13, 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, 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 David Randels, Executive Director of Government Relations, Education Policy and Research.
 - B. Superintendent's Report** – A Community of Practice report was presented.

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V. Regular Working Agenda

A. Board of Education

1. Report – None
2. Discussion – The Board held a First Reading of the eight Oakland Schools Board policies listed below.

- 1180 - Meetings (amend)
- 3202 - Financial Management for Federal Awards (adopt)
- 3205 - Non-Supplanting of Perkins Funds (amend)
- 4235 - Recording of Parent and Employee Meetings (adopt)
- 5032 - Title IX Sexual Harassment (amend)
- 5362 - Pregnancy and Related Conditions (amend)
- 8270 - Hazing (amend)
- 9190 - Interviews with Students (amend)

3. Action:

- a) Approval of Oakland County School Board Association 2025 Recommended Amendments to Previously Adopted Resolutions and Proposed Amendments to Bylaws – It was moved by Board Secretary Finkelstein, with the support of Vice President Williams, to approve the Oakland County School Board Association 2025 Recommended Amendments to Previously Adopted Resolutions and the Proposed Amendments to Bylaws, as presented.

Discussion ensued among the Board Trustees.

Board Secretary Finkelstein amended the motion, with the support of Vice President Williams, to approve the Oakland County School Board Association 2025 Recommended Amendments to Previously Adopted Resolutions. The Board Secretary called the roll for the vote.

Katz-yes Finkelstein-yes Ehlert-no Gottlieb-no Williams-no

Motion failed 2/3

Board Secretary Finkelstein moved, with the support of Vice President Williams, to approve the Oakland County School Board Association 2025 Proposed Amendments to the OCSBA Bylaws. The Board Secretary called the roll for the vote.

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

Motion carried 5/0

- b) Approval of Approval of Professional Agents of Record: Additional Employment and Labor Law Firms – It was moved by Board Trustee Ehlert, with the support of Board Treasurer Gottlieb, to include Blaha & Collins, Kerr Russell and Miller Canfield in the Professional Agents of Record to provide employment and labor law services for the remainder of Fiscal Year 2024-2025, as presented by the Administration. The Board Secretary called the roll for the vote.

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

Motion carried 5/0

- c) Approval of Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of April 15, 2025 – It was moved by Board Treasurer Gottlieb, with the support of Board Secretary Finkelstein, to approve the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting 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 Williams-yes

Motion carried 5/0

- d) Approval of Pre-Travel Requests of the Regular Board Meeting of May 13, 2025 – It was moved by Board Secretary Finkelstein, with the support of Board Trustee Ehlert, to approve the pre-travel requests of May 13, 2025, as presented by the Administration. The Board Secretary called the roll for the vote.

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

Motion carried 5/0

B. Educational Services

1. Report – None

2. Discussion – None

3. Action:

- a) Approval of Contract Renewal: Imagine Learning – It was moved by Vice President Williams, with the support of Board Treasurer Gottlieb, to authorize the Administration to execute a contract renewal in the amount not to exceed \$40,000 to Imagine Learning for the period of June 25, 2025 to August 6, 2025, as presented by the Administration. . The Board Secretary called the roll for the vote.

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

Motion carried 5/0

- b) Approval of Contract Renewal: Lincoln Learning Solutions – It was moved by Board Trustee Ehlert, with the support of Board Secretary Finkelstein, to authorize the Administration to execute a contract renewal in the amount not to exceed \$40,000 to Lincoln Learning for the period of June 25, 2025 to August 6, 2025, as presented by the Administration. The Board Secretary called the roll for the vote.

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

Motion carried 5/0

- c) Approval of Contract Renewal: Faria Education Group (dba Rubicon West 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 \$897,750 to Faria Education Group for the period July 1, 2025 to June 30, 2028, as presented by the Administration.. The Board Secretary called the roll for the vote.

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

Motion carried 5/0

- d) Approval of Purchase Order: Infobase – It was moved by Board Secretary Finkelstein, with the support of Board Treasurer Gottlieb, to authorize the Administration to execute a purchase order in an amount not to exceed \$40,000 to Infobase 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 Williams-yes

Motion carried 5/0

- e) Approval of Purchase Order: Discovery Education (Discovery Streaming) – It was moved by Board Trustee Ehlert, with the support of Vice President Williams, to authorize the Administration to execute a purchase order in an amount not to exceed \$310,000 to Discovery Education 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 Williams-yes

Motion carried 5/0

- f) Approval of Overnight Field Trip Request: Student Services Overnight Fieldtrips OSTC Campuses – It was moved by Board Treasurer Gottlieb, with the support of Board Secretary Finkelstein, to accept the Overnight Field Trip Request from Student Services on May 13, 2025, as presented by the Administration. The Board Secretary called the roll for the vote.

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

Motion carried 5/0

C. Human Resources

1. Report - None
2. Discussion - None
3. Action:
 - a) Approval of Personnel List of May 13, 2025 – It was moved Vice President Williams, with the support of Board Secretary Finkelstein, to approve the personnel report of May 13, 2025, as presented by the Administration. The Board Secretary called the roll for the vote.

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

Motion carried 5/0

- b) Approval of Contract Renewal: Frontline Education – It was moved Board Trustee Ehlert, with the support of Board Secretary Finkelstein, to authorize the Administration to extend a one-year contract with Frontline Technologies Group, LLC for the amount of \$174,046.64, for the period of 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 Williams-yes

Motion carried 5/0

- c) Approval of Contract Modification: EDUStaff, LLC – It was moved Board Secretary Finkelstein, with the support of Vice President Williams, to authorize the Administration to execute a contract modification with EDUstaff, LLC. increasing the amount by \$615,000 from \$6,619,666 to an amount not to exceed \$7,234,666 for the period November 1, 2022 to June 30, 2025, as presented by the Administration. The Board Secretary called the roll for the vote.

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

Motion carried 5/0

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D. Finance, Operations & Shared Services

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

- a) Approval of Contract Award (RFP award): Saber Building Services – It was moved Board Treasurer Gottlieb, with the support of Board Secretary Finkelstein, to authorize the Administration to execute a contract award in an amount not to exceed \$796,450.74 to Saber Building Services for the period July 1, 2025 to June 30, 2028, as presented. The Board Secretary called the roll for the vote.

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

Motion carried 5/0

- b) Acceptance of Financial Reports: January - March 2025 – It was moved by Board Trustee Ehlert, with the support of Board Treasurer Gottlieb, to accept the January - March 2025 financial reports, as presented by the Administration. The Board Secretary called the roll for the vote.

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

Motion carried 5/0

E. Technology Services

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

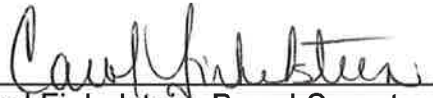
VI. Board Member Comments/Announcements

Board President Katz and Board Secretary Finkelstein mentioned the experiences they had while attending the Oakland County Teacher of the Year award ceremony and the Mother's Day buffets.

VII. Additional Items – There were no additional items.

VIII. Adjournment – Board President Katz adjourned the meeting at 7:23 p.m.

Approved on May 27, 2025



Carol Finkelstein, Board Secretary

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