



**MINUTES OF THE
REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING OF
November 25, 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 November 25, 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, George Ehlert, Carol Finkelstein, Steven Gottlieb, Connie Williams
- Superintendent Ken Gutman, Deputy Superintendent Chris Delgado, and Assistant Superintendent Teri Les were also present.
- III. Public Comments** – There were no public comments.
- IV. Information from the Superintendent and Administration**
- A. Legislative Update** – A legislative report was provided by Lisa Hansknecht, Executive Director of Government Relations and Community Services.
- B. Superintendent's Report** – An update on Literacy Essentials Oakland 2.1 was presented. A STEMi Mobile Innovation Station quarterly report was presented.

With the consensus of the Board, the Board President recessed the meeting at 7:57 pm.

The Board President reconvened the meeting at 8:05 pm.

V. Regular Working Agenda

A. Board of Education

1. Report – None
2. Discussion:
 - a) The Board reviewed and discussed the Oakland County School Boards Association's two new proposed resolutions regarding non-partisan school board elections and full funding of Early On Michigan.

It was moved by Trustee Ehlert, with the support of Board Vice President Williams, to approve the Oakland County School Boards Association's proposed two new resolutions, as presented. The Board Secretary called the roll for the vote.

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

Motion carried 5/0

- b) Oakland Schools Board Policies First Reading. The Board reviewed and held a First Reading of the following policies:
 - Policy 3150: Fund Balance
 - Policy 8020: Attendance
 - Policy 8345: Student Discipline
 - Policy 9175: Fundraising & Community Service
 - Policy 9350: Gifts to the District
 - Policy 9355: Gifts to or From Employees

3. Action:

- a) Approval of the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of November 10, 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 November 10, 2025, as presented by the Administration. The Board Secretary called the roll for the vote.

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

Motion carried 5/0

- b) Approval of the pre-travel requests of the Regular Board Meeting of November 25, 2025 – It was moved by Board Vice President Williams, with the support of Trustee Ehlert, to approve the pre-travel requests of November 25, 2025, as presented by the Administration. The Board Secretary called the roll for the vote.

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

Motion carried 5/0

B. Educational Services

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

- a) Purchase Order: R.A. Dinkel & Associates (dba MMH Clearinghouse) - 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 \$65,750.00 to R.A. Dinkel & Associates for the period October 1, 2025, to September 30, 2026, as presented by the Administration. The Board Secretary called the roll for the vote.

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

Motion carried 5/0

C. Human Resources

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

- a) Approval of the Personnel List of November 25, 2025 – It was moved by Board Vice President Williams, with the support of Board Treasurer Gottlieb, to approve the Personnel List of November 25, 2025, as presented by the Administration. The Board Secretary called the roll for the vote.

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

Motion carried 5/0

D. Finance, Operations & Shared Services

1. Report - None

2. Discussion – None

3. Action:

- a) Approval of Budget Amendment: 1st Budget Amendment - Fiscal Year 2026 – It was moved by Board Secretary Finkelstein, with the support of Trustee Ehlert, to approve the Fiscal Year 2026 First Budget Amendment, as presented by the Administration. The Board Secretary called the roll for the vote.

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

Motion carried 5/0

- b) Approval of Board Resolution: Summer Property Tax Collection – It was moved by Board Secretary Finkelstein, with the support of Board Treasurer Gottlieb, to adopt the Resolution to reaffirm the 100% summer property tax collection, and grant the Superintendent or designee authorization to negotiate and execute the intergovernmental agreements required to implement the summer tax levy collection, as presented by the Administration. The Board Secretary called the roll for the vote.

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

Motion carried 5/0

It was moved by Trustee Ehlert, with the support of Board Vice President Williams, to authorize the Administration to accept the following New or Remodeled Facilities Projects as listed:

- c) Acceptance of the completion of the Oakland Schools Main Campus Reroofing Project and authorization of the final payments to the contractors and/or construction manager.
- d) Acceptance of the completion of the Corridor Refresh Project at the four technical campuses and authorization of final payments to the contractors and/or construction manager.
- e) Acceptance of the completion of the Technical Campus Parking Lot Renovation projects at the four technical campuses and authorization of final payments to the contractors and/or construction manager.

The Board Secretary called the roll for the vote.

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

Motion carried 5/0

E. Technology Services

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

VI. Board Member Comments/Announcements

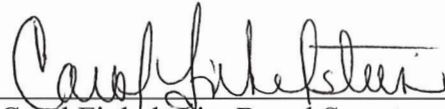
Board President Katz mentioned that Oakland Schools Technical Campuses are hosting holiday events during December. He also mentioned that the Oakland County School Boards Association and the Oakland County Superintendents Association will be holding a joint meeting with a presentation from SEMCOG on December 17, 2025, at Oakland Schools.

The Board Trustees extended well wishes to everyone for the upcoming holiday.

VII. Additional Items – There were no additional items.

VIII. Adjournment – The Board President adjourned the meeting at 8:20 p.m.

Approved on December 9, 2025

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Carol Finkelstein", is written over a horizontal line.

Carol Finkelstein, Board Secretary