



**MINUTES OF THE
REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING OF
May 19, 2026**

- 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 19, 2026, at Oakland Schools located at 2111 Pontiac Lake Road in Waterford, Michigan.

Board President Katz announced that George Ehlert resigned from the Oakland Schools Board of Education effective May 15, 2026. Mr. Katz stated that Mr. Ehlert is relocating and will no longer reside in Oakland County, which makes him ineligible to serve on the Oakland Schools Board of Education.

The Board President stated that Board Treasurer Steven Gottlieb was absent due to previously scheduled travel plans.

- II. Roll Call** – Board Secretary Carol Finkelstein called the roll.
Present: Board Members Marc Katz, Connie Williams, Carol Finkelstein

Superintendent Kenneth Gutman, Deputy Superintendent Chris Delgado, and Assistant Superintendent Teri Les were present.

- III. Public Comments** – There were no public comments.

IV. Information from the Superintendent and Administration

- A. Superintendent Report** – The Superintendent announced that Teri Les is a recipient of the 2025-2026 Oakland County School Business Association Administrator of the Year Award.

- B. Legislative Update** – A written legislative update was provided.

V. Regular Working Agenda

A. Board of Education

1. Report – None
2. Discussion:
 - a) Oakland County School Boards Association Proposed New Resolution and Proposed Amendments to the Association Bylaws – Board President Katz and Board Secretary Finkelstein shared information regarding the proposals.

It was moved by Board Secretary Finkelstein, with the support of Vice President Williams, that the Oakland Schools Board of Education approve the Oakland County School Boards Association's proposed new resolution and the two proposed amendments to the Association Bylaws. The Board Secretary called the roll for the vote.

Katz-yes Williams – yes Finkelstein-yes

Motion carried 3/0

3. Action:

- a) Acceptance of Resignation of Board Trustee George Ehlert – Board President Katz stated that George Ehlert submitted a notice of resignation to the Board on May 8, 2026, with an effective date of May 15, 2026.
- b) Approval to Suspend Policy 1115: Board Position Vacancies – Board President Katz explained the policy and process to fill a vacancy on the Oakland Schools Board of Education. He mentioned that, under Board Policy 1207, the Board is authorized to suspend a policy. He stated that the current circumstances allow for a suspension.

It was moved by Board Secretary Finkelstein, with the support of Vice President Williams, to temporarily suspend the portion of Board Policy 1115 that prescribes a process to fill a Board vacancy, in accordance with Board Policy 1207. The Board Secretary called the roll for the vote.

Katz-yes Williams – yes Finkelstein-yes

Motion carried 3/0

- c) Approval to Appoint an Individual to the Oakland Schools Board of Education – It was moved by Board Secretary Finkelstein, with the support of Vice President Williams, to appoint Gary Hauff to fill the current vacancy on the Oakland Schools Board of Education through June 30, 2026. The Board Secretary called the roll for the vote.

Katz-yes Williams – yes Finkelstein-yes

Motion carried 3/0

Board President Katz stated that the Oath of Office will be administered to Gary Hauff on May 22, 2026.

- d) Approval of Miller Johnson Policy Services – It was moved by Board Vice President Williams, with the support of Board Secretary Finkelstein, to authorize the Administration to enter into an agreement with Miller Johnson to provide professional policy services to Oakland Schools, as presented by the Administration. The Board Secretary called the roll for the vote.

Katz-yes Williams – yes Finkelstein-yes

Motion carried 3/0

- e) Approval of Minutes: Regular Board Meeting of May 5, 2026, and the Special Board Meetings of April 29, 2026, May 5, 2026, May 6, 2026. – It was moved by Board Vice President Williams, with the support of Board Secretary Finkelstein, to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of May 5, 2026, and the Special Board Meetings of April 29, May 5, and May 6, 2026, as presented by the Administration. The Board Secretary called the roll for the vote.

Katz-yes Williams – yes Finkelstein-yes

Motion carried 3/0

- f) Approval of Pre-travel Requests: Regular Board Meeting of May 19, 2026 – It was moved by Board Secretary Finkelstein, with the support of Board Vice President Williams, to approve the pre-travel requests submitted on May 19, 2026, as presented by the Administration. The Board Secretary called the roll for the vote.

Katz-yes Williams – yes Finkelstein-yes

Motion carried 3/0

B. Educational Services

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

- a) Approval of Overnight Field Trip Request: Student Services Overnight Fieldtrips OSTC Campuses – It was moved by Board Secretary Finkelstein, with the support of Board Vice President Williams, to approve the overnight field trip request from Student Services on May 19, 2026, as presented by the Administration. The Board Secretary called the roll for the vote.

Katz-yes Williams – yes Finkelstein-yes

Motion carried 3/0

- b) Acceptance of Donation: Student Services Donations – It was moved by Board Vice President Williams, with the support of Board Secretary Finkelstein, to accept the donation request submitted by Student Services on May 19th, 2026, as presented by the Administration. The item(s) donated include various machining supplies with an estimated value of \$3,429.13 and a monetary donation in the amount of \$10,000. The Board Secretary called the roll for the vote.

Katz-yes Williams – yes Finkelstein-yes

Motion carried 3/0

C. Human Resources

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

- a) Approval of the Personnel List of May 19, 2026 – It was moved by Board Secretary Finkelstein, with the support of Board Vice President Williams, to approve the Personnel List of May 19, 2026, as presented by the Administration. The Board Secretary called the roll for the vote.

Katz-yes Williams – yes Finkelstein-yes

Motion carried 3/0

- b) Approval of Purchase Order: Mitrastech Trakstar, Inc – It was moved by Board Secretary Finkelstein, with the support of Board Vice President Williams, to authorize the Administration to execute a purchase order in an amount not to exceed \$82,151.76 to Mitrastech Trakstar, Inc. for the period of July 31, 2026 to July 30, 2029, as presented by the Administration. The Board Secretary called the roll for the vote.

Katz-yes Williams – yes Finkelstein-yes

Motion carried 3/0

D. Finance, Operations & Shared Services

1. Report – A report on procurement and contracting was presented.

2. Discussion - None

3. Action:

- a) Approval of: Letter of Intent Regarding Proposed Lease of 495 Summit Drive, Waterford, MI 48328 – It was moved by Board Secretary Finkelstein, with the support of Board Vice President Williams, to authorize the administration to proceed with negotiating a lease for real property. The Board Secretary called the roll for the vote.

Katz-yes Williams – yes Finkelstein-yes

Motion carried 3/0

- b) Approval of Purchase Order: Quill Corporation – It was moved by Board Vice President Williams, with the support of Board Secretary Finkelstein, to authorize the Administration to execute a purchase order in an amount not to exceed \$43,470 to Quill Corporation, as presented by the Administration. The Board Secretary called the roll for the vote.

Katz-yes Williams – yes Finkelstein-yes

Motion carried 3/0

- c) Approval of Intergovernmental Agreement Amendment: Clawson Public Schools for the provision of District Shared Services – It was moved by Board Secretary Finkelstein, with the support of Board Vice President Williams, to authorize the Administration to execute an Intergovernmental Agreement Amendment to Clawson Public Schools for the provision of District Shared Services increasing the amount by \$382,340.00, from \$1,672,069.00 to an amount not to exceed \$2,054,409.00, for the period July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2027, as presented by the Administration. The Board Secretary called the roll for the vote.

Katz-yes Williams – yes Finkelstein-yes

Motion carried 3/0

- d) Approval of Purchase Order: The Interior Group, Inc. – It was moved by Board Vice President Williams, with the support of Board Secretary Finkelstein, to authorize the Administration to execute a purchase order with The Interior Group, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$62,500 for replacement furniture for programs at the Technical Campuses. The Board Secretary called the roll for the vote.

Katz-yes Williams – yes Finkelstein-yes

Motion carried 3/0

- e) Approval of Contract Renewal (originally bid): Compass Group, USA, Chartwells Division – It was moved by Board Secretary Finkelstein, with the support of Board Vice President Williams, to authorize the Administration to execute a contract renewal with Compass Group, USA the period July 1, 2026 to June 30, 2027, as presented by the Administration. The Board Secretary called the roll for the vote.

Katz-yes Williams – yes Finkelstein-yes

Motion carried 3/0

- f) Approval of Contract Renewal (originally bid): Corporate Dining Concepts – It was moved by Board Secretary Finkelstein, with the support of Board Vice President Williams, to authorize the Administration to execute a contract renewal with Corporate Dining Concepts for the period July 1, 2026, to June 30, 2027, as presented by the Administration. The Board Secretary called the roll for the vote.

Katz-yes Williams – yes Finkelstein-yes

Motion carried 3/0

E. Technology Services

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

- a) Approval of Purchase Order: CDW Government, LLC – It was moved by Board Secretary Finkelstein, with the support of Board Vice President Williams, to authorize the Administration to execute a purchase order in an amount not to exceed \$245,392.00 to CDW Government, LLC for the period May 20, 2026 to June 30, 2026, as presented by the Administration. The Board Secretary called the roll for the vote.

Katz-yes Williams – yes Finkelstein-yes

Motion carried 3/0

- b) Approval of Purchase Order: Apple Computer, Inc. – It was moved by Board Secretary Finkelstein, with the support of Board Vice President Williams, to authorize the Administration to execute a purchase order in an amount not to exceed \$50,118.00 to Apple Computer, Inc. for the period May 20, 2026, to June 30, 2026, as presented by the Administration. The Board Secretary called the roll for the vote.

Katz-yes Williams – yes Finkelstein-yes

Motion carried 3/0

- c) Approval of Purchase Order: People Driven Technology, Inc. – It was moved by Board Vice President Williams, with the support of Board Secretary Finkelstein, to authorize the Administration to execute a purchase order in an amount not to exceed \$438,587.22 to People Driven Technology, Inc. for the period May 20, 2026 to June 30, 2026, as presented by the Administration. The Board Secretary called the roll for the vote.

Katz-yes Williams – yes Finkelstein-yes

Motion carried 3/0

- d) Approval of Purchase Order: Sehi Computer Products, Inc. – It was moved by Board Secretary Finkelstein, with the support of Board Vice President Williams, to authorize the Administration to execute a purchase order in an amount not to exceed \$313,622.50 to Sehi Computer Products, Inc. for the period May 20, 2026, to June 30, 2027, as presented by the Administration. The Board Secretary called the roll for the vote.

Katz-yes Williams – yes Finkelstein-yes

Motion carried 3/0

VI. Board Member Comments/Announcements

The Board Members commended Assistant Superintendent Teri Les on her accomplishments and leadership with the Business Residents Leadership Academy.

Board President Katz stated that, because of the resignation of George Ehlert, he has asked Board Secretary Carol Finkelstein to fill the vacant position on the Board Policy Review Committee. He also stated that he asked Board Treasurer Steven Gottlieb to fill the vacant position on the Board Facility Committee. He confirmed that both have agreed to serve until the committee structure is determined at the Organizational Board Meeting on July 7, 2026.

Board President Katz reminded everyone that the Oakland County School Board Association's awards banquet will be held on June 17, 2026.

VII. Additional Items – There were no additional items.

VIII. Adjournment – The Board President adjourned the meeting at 7:09 p.m.

Approved on June 1, 2026


Carol Finkelstein, Board Secretary