



August 19, 2025 Special Board of Trustees

Meeting Minutes

Oakland Community College
8/19/2025 6:00 PM EDT

@ A Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Oakland Community College will take place on Tuesday, August 19, 2025, 6:00 pm at 2900 Featherstone Road, G240, Auburn Hills, MI.

The purpose of this meeting is for the Board to receive additional information regarding the Public-Private Partnership at the Orchard Ridge Campus.

This meeting will include a request for a closed session under Michigan's Open Meetings Act, pursuant to MCL 15.268(1)(d), to discuss consideration of lease of real estate.

1. Call to Order

Chair Bertolini called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m.

2. Attendance

PRESENT: K. Bertolini, S. Bryant, M. Burrus, E. Callaghan, P. Jackson **ABSENT:** P. Davis, M. Lambert

3. Approval of Agenda

Motion:

Move to approve agenda.

Motion moved by MiVida Burrus and motion seconded by Pamela Jackson. Motion passed unanimously.

4. Approval of Minutes

4.1. July 15, 2025 Special Board Meeting Minutes

 [July 15, 2025 Special Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes.pdf](#)

Motion:

Move to approve July 15, 2025 Special Board of Trustee meeting minutes.

Motion moved by Pamela Jackson and motion seconded by MiVida Burrus. Motion passed unanimously.

5. Communications

5.1. Community Comments

Councilman of sixteen years Michael Bridges from City of Farmington Hills spoke to the Board and audience his support of the Orchard Ridge Athletics Project and the positive impact for the community.

Cassie Clarke, director of sales and marketing for business, and serves on several boards for the City of Farmington Hills, addressed the group about the positive impacts for the community and city of Farmington Hills. A former student athlete herself, knows the positive benefits for student athletes and their academic outcomes.

Mary Leonard read a letter on behalf of Bryce and Courtney Cook, Waterford Township residents whom sons played with the LCAAA hockey program. Their letter explained the support and success of the program and how it builds much more than athletic abilities.

6. Information Items

6.1. OCC Orchard Ridge Campus Public-Private Partnership Presentation

Representatives from RJA, Dickinson & Wright and LCA provided a presentation on additional information regarding the potential partnership, including people involved, and outcomes from College and Community Forums.

7. Consider moving into closed session under Michigan's Open Meetings Act, pursuant to MCL 15.268(1)(d), to discuss consideration of lease of real estate.

Motion:

Move to enter into closed session.

Motion moved by Pamela Jackson and motion seconded by MiVida Burrus. Roll Call Vote - AYES: K. Bertolini, S. Bryant, M. Burrus, E. Callaghan, P. Jackson NAYES: None Motion Passed

Entered into closed session at 6:50 p.m.

Motion:

Move to return to open session.


Motion moved by MiVida Burrus and motion seconded by Pamela Jackson. Motion passed unanimously.

Returned to open session at 8:35 p.m.

8. Action Items

8.1. Approval of Predevelopment Agreement and Resolution between OCC and LCAAA

 [8.1 Predevelopment Agreement.pdf](#)

 [8.1 OCC Board Resolution Authorizing Predevelopment Agreement 8.19.2025.pdf](#)

Motion:

Move that the Board of Trustees authorize the Chancellor to enter into a pre-development agreement with Little Caesars AAA Hockey Club and Olympia Development of Michigan LLC with respect to the proposed lease and development of certain property at the Orchard Ridge campus and providing for other matters related thereto.

Motion moved by Pamela Jackson and motion seconded by MiVida Burrus. Roll Call Vote - AYES: K. Bertolini, S. Bryant, M. Burrus, P. Jackson NAYES: E. Callaghan

9. Board Comments

Trustee Callaghan stated he received the Macomb Community College Connect in the mail and he reminded that he asked that the Board be brought up to date regarding what we are doing for seniors in our community several months ago. He also mentioned in last Sunday's August 17th edition page 29 of the New York Times there was an article about the changes from Washington in Higher Ed and the impact on Community Colleges.

Trustee Jackson thanked Trustee Bryant for her ADA accommodation to join us tonight. She also announced she became a grandmother last week. In addition, she noted a sticker on the back of her vehicle that states *Together We Will Make A Difference*.

Trustee Burrus thanks the body to work together and be respectful of each other, even in dissent. Appreciates everyone and respects them as a team including staff and leadership. She also stated she appreciates Kathleen Kelly for moving mountains for her with her schedule.


10. Adjournment

Motion:

Move to adjourn meeting.

Motion moved by MiVida Burrus and motion seconded by Pamela Jackson. Motion passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.



Kathleen Kelly
2025-10-01 17:45 UTC



Kathleen Bertolini
2025-10-01 17:48 UTC



Pamela Jackson
2025-10-01 18:08 UTC