September 15, 2026 Board of Trustees Regular Meeting Minutes

Oakland Community College
9/15/2026 6:00 PMEDT

@ A Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Oakland Community College will be held on Tuesday, September 15, 2026 6:00 p.m., at the Auburn Hills Campus, Room G240, 2900 Featherstone Road, Auburn Hills, Michigan.

1. Call to Order

   Chair Bertolini called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

2. Attendance

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

3. Approval of Agenda

   Motion:
   Move to approve agenda.

   Motion moved by Pamela Jackson and motion seconded by Edward Callaghan. Motion passed unanimously.

4. Approval of Minutes

   4.1. July 21, 2026 Special Meeting Minutes

   Motion:
   Move to approve July 21, 2026 Special meeting minutes.

   Motion moved by Shirley Bryant and motion seconded by MiVida Burrus. Motion passed unanimously.

5. Declaration of Conflict of Interest

   No new declarations of conflict of interest.

6. Board Development

   6.1. MCCA Conference Top Takeaways

   Chair Bertolini, Trustee Jackson, and Trustee Lambert provided an overview of the MCCA Summer Conference: "60 Years Capturing Our Legacy, Framing Our Future" they attended in July.

7. Self-evaluation - Meeting Governance Process

Chair Bertolini provided a brief summary of the results from last month's post meeting survey.

8. Community Comments

Robin McGregor, Waterford resident, on the Highland Lakes campus.
Erin Asdale, Waterford resident, on the Highland Lakes campus.
Nicholas Marinelli, Waterford resident, on the Highland Lakes campus.
Peter Ogg, Waterford resident, on the Highland Lakes campus.
Robert Pawlowski, OCC Student Government President, on upcoming campus events.
Gerry Hasspacher, Chair of the Southeastern Michigan Sierra Club, on the Highland Lakes campus.

9. Chancellor's Insight

Chancellor Provenzano provided his remarks noting new and retiring staff and welcomed two recent retirees, Dr. Renee Muro and Ms. Holly Broesamle.

9.1. Student Success and Graduation Rates Updates (Presenters: Kristin Carey Li)

OCC Director of College Strategy Kristin Carey Li provided student success and graduation rate updates. OCC Chief of Staff and Strategy Steve Simpson provided an update on student satisfaction.

Motion:

Move to share data with the board regarding student enrollment comparing Fall 2025 with Fall 2026, the number of contact hours, headcount, credit hours, classes with fewer than 12 students, number of cancelled classes, number of students on the waiting list that were unable to get a class, success of those on waiting lists to get into a class, number of classes offered on/after October 1, breakdown of male to female students, and the number of students taking fewer than 12 credit hours.

Motion moved by Edward Callaghan and motion seconded by Pamala Davis. Trustee Burrus moved to amend the motion by adding: the board will receive this information following each semester. The amendment was adopted by unanimous consent.

The motion, as amended, was adopted as follows: That the board receive the data regarding student enrollment comparing Fall 2025 with Fall 2026, the number of contact hours, headcount, credit hours, classes with fewer than 12 students, number of cancelled classes, number of students on the waiting list that were unable to get a class, success of those on waiting lists to get into a class, number of classes offered on/after October 1, breakdown of male to

female students, and the number of students taking fewer than 12 credit hours. The board will receive this information following each semester.

9.2. MCCA Update (Presenters: Brandy Johnson, MCCA President)

Michigan Community College Association President Brandy Johnson gave an update.

10. Required Approvals

10.1. State of Michigan Appropriation Local Strategic Value Resolution

Motion:
Move that the Board of Trustees approve the attached State of Michigan Appropriation Local Strategic Value Resolution.

Motion moved by Pamela Jackson and motion seconded by Shirley Bryant. Motion passed.

Motion:
Amended Motion: that Resolution be amended to include concert and jazz band performances under part C, number 3.

Amendment was adopted.

The motion, as amended, was adopted as follows: to approve the attached State of Michigan Appropriations Local Strategic Value Resolution to include the jazz band and concert band under part C, number 3.

11. Monitoring CEO Performance

11.1. E-00 Ends Report

Motion:
Move that the Board of Trustees have assessed the monitoring report for E-00 Ends and finds that it demonstrates compliance with a reasonable interpretation of the policy.

Motion moved by Pamala Davis and motion seconded by MiVida Burrus. Motion passed.

Motion:

Move that the Policy Committee review a policy that monitoring reports will include the titles of the compilers for information on the report, names and titles of Executive Council members who reviewed the report, with final approval of the Chancellor for submission to the board for approval for all future monitoring reports.

Motion passed.

11.2. EL-02 Access to Education

Motion:
Move that the Board of Trustees have assessed the EL-02 Access to Education report and finds that it demonstrated compliance with a reasonable interpretation of the policy.

Motion passed.

12. Board Comments

**Individual trustee comments are personal opinions and not verified or endorsed by the full board or the College itself.
Trustee Davis inquired about a motion to add an item on the October agenda. Chair Bertolini ruled no motions are allowed during board comments and any suggested agenda items from board members should be sent to her for future consideration. Trustee Davis asked how members of the public could be on the agenda. Chair Bertolini clarified the current OCC board policy allows for members of the public to utilize public comments.
Trustee Burrus thanked staff and welcomed new Executive Administrator for the Chancellor's Office Rebecca Journigan. She also congratulated Denise Martin on her retirement, and OCC on all the awards and accolades.
Trustee Lambert did not have any comments.
Trustee Jackson expressed thanks for the staff pulling documentation together, welcomed new employees, and thanked retirees for their time.
Trustee Bryant stated the prior discussion shows lack of support for policy governance.
Trustee Callaghan stated he has received a number of phone calls regarding the sale of the Highland Lakes campus to Waterford Township. As far as he is aware, the board has not made a decision regarding Highland Lakes. He thanked Chef Doug Gahns for his time and work at OCC in the culinary program. He also mentioned Jack Welch's leadership book Winning and the 80-10-10 rule regarding the ability to retain all-stars in an organization.
Chair Bertolini expressed her belief that OCC is winning according to the data with double digit increases in enrollment and graduation rates. She thanked everyone for their patience as the board works through the procedures of Robert's Rules of Order. She stated the the northern portion of the Highland Lakes campus is currently not for sale.

13. Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 9:06 p.m.

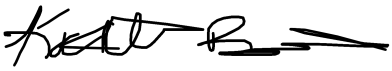
Motion:

Move to adjourn meeting.

Motion passed.



Rebecca Journigan
2026-10-28 17:35 UTC



Kathleen Bertolini
2026-10-29 16:06 UTC