



Board of Directors
Regular Board Meeting
DRAFT MINUTES

October 7, 2025, 5pm

Join Zoom Meeting:

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The mission of Odyssey Online Learning is to provide a high-quality education for a wide variety of students by offering alternative solutions to traditional schooling while assisting students in achieving the knowledge and skills to reach their highest potential within a flexible and tailored educational program that fosters lifelong learning.

1. **Call to Order** by Mario Williams at 5:00pm
2. **Pledge** by Ashley Owings
3. **Roll Call** - Mario Williams, Marquis Flemings, Amy Cox, Robert McKenzie, Scott Sternett, April Timms, Beth Sims, Ashley Owings, Andrea Amburn, Rocky Cooper, Margaret Dullanty, Jonathan Merritt (departed at 5:21pm), and Sally Fickling.
4. **Newly elected board members are sworn in** - April Timms, Beth Sims, and Robert McKenzie were sworn in by Margaret Dullanty

Oath of Office: "I do solemnly swear that I am duly qualified, according to the Constitution of this State, to exercise the duties of the office to which I have been elected, and that I will, to the best of my ability, discharge the duties thereof, and preserve, protect and defend the Constitution of this State and of the United States. So help me God."

5. **Consent Calendar** - Motion to approve by Amy Cox, 2nd by Marquis Flemings, unanimously approved.

- a. October 7, 2025 - Board Meeting Agenda
- b. September 9, 2025 - Board Meeting Minutes

Unanimous Approval:

Mario Williams - Yes
Amy Cox - Yes
Robert McKenzie - Yes
Scott Sternett - Yes
April Timms - Yes
Beth Sims - Yes

6. **Public Comments** (Must sign-up prior to start time). Please contact the Chief Operating Officer if you would like to sign up. Each speaker has (3) three minutes. None
 - a. Speakers may not ask questions of Board Members.
 - b. Board Members may not engage speakers in discussion.
 - c. Disruptive behavior is not permitted.
 - d. Personal attacks aimed at students or staff are not permitted.
 - e. Scurrilous, obscene, or recklessly defamatory language aimed at any Board Member is not permitted.
 - f. The Board will follow up on all matters that speakers present.

7. **Appointed Board Member Selection Discussion - None**

- a. Executive Session, if necessary, for discussion of the appointment of a person to OOL Board of Directors. S.C. Code Ann. 30-4-70(a)(1).



- b. **Action out of Executive Session, if necessary.**
- c. **Board Member Appointment Discussion and Vote** - Motion by Amy Cox to appoint Marquis Flemings, 2nd by Robert McKenzie, unanimously approved.

Unanimous Approval:

Mario Williams - Yes

Amy Cox - Yes

Robert McKenzie - Yes

Scott Sternett - Yes

April Timms - Yes

Beth Sims - Yes

- d. **Swearing In of Newly Appointed Board Member** - Marquis Flemings was sworn in by Margaret Dullanty

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8. Reports/Discussion Items

- a. **FY25 Audit Review by Manley Garvin** - Jonathan Merritt reviewed the FY25 Audit with the OOL Board. He noted that there were no findings, no deficiencies, and the school received an unmodified opinion, which is the best opinion that can be issued.
- b. **Report by Chief Executive Officer - Ashley Owings** - Mrs. Owings recognized Andrea Amburn for her contributions on another successful fiscal audit. She also updated the board on several important items including the middle school and high school newsletters, update on enrollment numbers, and she noted the school report card data is embargoed at this time.
- c. **September 2025 Financial Report by Chief Operating Officer - Andrea Amburn** - Ms. Amburn reviewed the September financials with the board, noting no significant changes. The 45th day is mid-October and the finance team will update the budget when the 45th day count is received.
- d. **OOL Board Onboarding and Expectations - Andrea Amburn** - Ms. Amburn is scheduling new board member orientations during the month of October.
- e. **Review of the OOL Employee Group Chat Policy** - Ms. Amburn reviewed the OOL Employee Group Chat Policy with the board and explained the need for the policy. Mrs. Cox noted she had reviewed the policy and agreed with the recommendation.
- f. **Review of the OOL Board Meeting Livestream Policy** - Mrs. Dullanty reviewed two samples of the OOL Board Meeting Livestream Policy. The board had an in-depth discussion regarding the requirement and future process for OOL.

9. Action Items

- a. **Approval of September 2025 Financials** Motion by Amy Cox to approve the September 2025 Financials, 2nd by Marquis Flemings, unanimously approved.

Unanimous Approval:

Mario Williams - Yes



Marquis Flemings - Yes

Amy Cox - Yes

Robert McKenzie - Yes

Scott Sternett - Yes

April Timms - Yes

Beth Sims - Yes

- b. Approval of the FY25 Audit -** Motion by Amy Cox to approve the FY25 Audit, 2nd by Scott Sternett, unanimously approved.

Unanimous Approval:

Mario Williams - Yes

Marquis Flemings - Yes

Amy Cox - Yes

Robert McKenzie - Yes

Scott Sternett - Yes

April Timms - Yes

Beth Sims - Yes

- c. Approval of the OOL Employee Group Chat Policy** Motion by Amy Cox to approve the OOL Employee Group Chat Policy, 2nd by Scott Sternett, unanimously approved.

Unanimous Approval:

Mario Williams - Yes

Marquis Flemings - Yes

Amy Cox - Yes

Robert McKenzie - Yes

Scott Sternett - Yes

April Timms - Yes

Beth Sims - Yes

- d. Approval of the OOL Board Meeting Livestream Policy** Motion by Marquis Flemings to approve the version of the OOL Board Meeting Livestream Policy that Margaret Dullanty created, 2nd by Scott Sternett, unanimously approved.

Unanimous Approval:

Mario Williams - Yes

Marquis Flemings - Yes

Amy Cox - Yes

Robert McKenzie - Yes

Scott Sternett - Yes

April Timms - Yes

Beth Sims - Yes

10. Adjourn by Mario Williams at 5:54pm