

## OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

1000 Broadway, Suite 680

Oakland, CA 94607-4099

510.879.8199 w • 510.879.2299 f • 510.879.2300 TTY / TDD

www.ousd.org

e-mail: boe@ousd.org



**OAKLAND UNIFIED  
SCHOOL DISTRICT**

*Community Schools, Thriving Students*

---

### BOARD OF EDUCATION 2017

**James Harris**, President, District 7  
James.Harris@ousd.org

**Nina Senn**, Vice President, District 4  
Nina.Sennn@ousd.org

**Jody London**, District 1  
Jody.London@ousd.org

**Aimee Sueko Eng**, District 2  
Aimee.Eng@ousd.org

**Jumoke Hinton Hodge**, District 3  
Jumoke.HintonHodge@ousd.org

**Roseann Torres**, District 5  
Roseann.Torres@ousd.org

**Shanthy Gonzales**, District 6  
Shanthy.Gonzales@ousd.org

---

October 11, 2017

To: Board of Education

From: James Harris

Sub: Appointment – Alton Jelks - Member, Audit Committee

#### **ACTION REQUESTED**

Ratification by the Board of Education of President of the Board's appointment of Alton Jelks, as a Member of Audit Committee, effective immediately, for unexpired term ending January 31, 2019.

#### **BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION**

Among the duties of the Audit Committee, defined by Board Bylaw 9131, but not limited to, are review of the District's annual audit with the independent auditors, review with District's financial staff the internal auditing and financial controls of the District, recommendation to Board of the selection of independent auditors of the District and production of annual reports of findings and recommendations on Committee subject matter to the Board of Education. The Audit Committee is maintained at the recommendation of the Financial Crisis Management and Assistance Team as a best practice for highly functioning school districts.

The Committee is composed of five members, with staggered terms, appointed pursuant to membership criteria established by Board Bylaw 9131, with an individual's terms appointment limited to a maximum of three two-year consecutive terms.

There currently exists one vacancy on the Audit Committee with an unexpired term ending January 31, 2019.

Board of Education

Re: Appointment – Alton Jelks, Member, Audit Committee

October 11, 2017

Page 2 of 2

I, pursuant to Board Bylaw 9131, hereby nominate Alton Jelks, as a member of Audit Committee and recommend ratification of his appointment.

**RECOMMENDATION**

Ratification by the Board of Education of President of the Board's appointment of Alton Jelks, as a Member of Audit Committee, effective immediately, for unexpired term ending January 31, 2019.

JH:ER:lf

Attachment: Application and Resume – Alton Jelks

## Profile

Alton

First Name

Jelks

Last Name

ajelks@sbcglobal.net

Email Address

### Which Boards would you like to apply for?

Audit Committee: Submitted

[Redacted] Street Address

Suite or Apt

[Redacted] City

[Redacted] State

[Redacted] Postal Code

### Which Board of Education election district (1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, or 7) do you live in? \*

District 5

[Redacted] Primary Phone

[Redacted] Alternate Phone

[Redacted] Employer

[Redacted] Job Title

[Redacted] Occupation

Employer's Street Address

[Redacted] Employer's City

[Redacted] Employer's State

[Redacted] Employer's Zip

Work Phone

## Interests & Experiences

### Please explain briefly your interest in serving on this Committee or Commission:

---

My principle interest and expertise is in analyzing processes within an organization, usually by facilitating dialogue sessions with program/process participants. I did this as assistant to the mayor of Oakland, Deputy City Auditor, and Vice Chancellor at Peralta Community College District. My goal is to insure that individuals, particularly in key positions, have a clear focus on their purpose and know how to engage others to get at the most accurate picture of processes as they actually function. My experience has been that many critical process may be broken at multiple junctures, and an audit committee can seek to reveal such conditions by calling for detailed presentations and asking critical questions. I believe that a public organization will not achieve "efficiencies" without finding ways to promote a real-world appraisal of its processes and to suggest specific solutions that can actually be implemented.

### Please indicate your other community involvement (work with public agencies, volunteering, other committees, Commissions, groups, etc.):

---

I have served on the board of directors of many nonprofit organizations over the years. Currently I am a member of the Martin Luther King, Jr Freedom Center board, the Oakland Community Fund, and Congresswoman Barbara Lee's Finance Committee. In the mayor's office I created the Mayor's Oakland Business Leadership Form, and a range of lower income youth summer camps such as the Summer Performing Arts Day camp and a reading camp called Camp Read-a-lot. In my neighborhood I launched an annual Cottage Industry Artisan Show, and a new community group, the Glenview Community Coalition, to host events around topics such as Racial Profiling, and lawn conversion for drought resistant plants. I have facilitate dozens of dialogue sessions with public, private, education, and nonprofit organizations during the past several decades.

  
Upload a Resume

Question applies to multiple boards

**Educational Background – e.g. college and/or university, degree/major, vocational and/or training, certificates, technical training, etc.**

---

Masters Degree in Public Administration Teaching credentials

---

## Demographics

Choosing not to answer any of the questions in this section will not disqualify you from consideration or serving.

### Ethnicity

---

Caucasian/Non-Hispanic

### Gender

---

Male

### Socio-Economic Group

---

[REDACTED]

---

## Verification

Please indicate your agreement with the following statement

---

I have reviewed and understand the duties of the Commission or Committee for which I am submitting this application. I agree to perform said duties. I certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct.

---

I Agree

If you prefer to not submit your application online via this web form, please print this form and send your application to Edgar Rakestraw, Jr., Executive Assistant, Board of Education, Oakland Unified School District, 1000 Broadway, Suite 680, Oakland, CA 94607-4009 or via email to boe@ousd.org. Your application must be **received** by the applicable deadline, if any.

If you have questions, please contact the Board of Education via the email address stated above or at (510) 879-8199 (select the Staff option).

**Note: This application and your responses are a Public record and subject to disclosure.**