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## **Meeting Minutes Long - Final**

**Monday, January 6, 2025**

**6:00 PM**

**Committee Room, KDOL TV Studio, B-237, Met West High School Entrance, 314  
East 10th Street, Oakland, CA 94606-2291, Internet - Zoom & Granicus;  
Broadcasted - KDOL-TV (Comcast Channel 27 and AT&T Channel 99)**

## **Audit Committee**

***Elizabeth Ross, Chairperson  
Caroline Lee, Vice Chairperson  
Bessie Weiss, Secretary  
Members: Jason Joseph, (Vacancy)***

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- *If Sunday or thereafter up thru day before Meeting, click Calendar Tab>This Week>Audit Committee>eComment*
- *If day of Meeting, click Calendar Tab>Today>Audit Committee>eComment*

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## **MEETING PROCEDURES**

*All Committee meetings shall begin on time and shall be guided by an Agenda prepared in accordance with Board Bylaws and posted and distributed in accordance with the Ralph M. Brown Act (open meeting requirements) and other applicable laws.*

**BOARD BYLAW 9131 - AUDIT COMMITTEE CHARGE OR RESPONSIBILITIES**

*Purpose: The responsibilities of the Audit Committee shall include but not be limited to the following:*

- *Recommend to the Board for approval the independent auditors.*
- *Review the independent audit engagement including the fee, scope, and timing of the audit, and any other services to be rendered, including non-audit services.*
- *Review with the independent auditor's district policies and procedures regarding internal auditing and internal accounting and financial controls.*
- *Upon completion of their audit, review with the independent auditors the cooperation they received from district personnel during the audit, the extent to which district resources could be used to minimize the time spent on the audit, and any significant matters of concern arising from the audit.*
- *Review with the independent auditors any significant transactions which are not a normal part of the district's business, any changes in accounting principles and practices, all significant proposed audit adjustments, and any recommendations that they may have for improving internal controls, choice of accounting principles or management systems.*
- *Review with the district's financial and accounting policies regarding internal accounting and financial controls.*
- *Review and recommend district policies to the Board to prohibit unethical, questionable, or illegal activities by district employees.*
- *Review with the internal auditor the organization and independence of the internal audit function; the goals and plans of internal audit including the nature and extent of work; problems and experiences in completing internal audits; and findings, conclusions, and recommendations as a result of internal audits.*
- *Upon completion of the independent audit, review with the district's financial and accounting managers their perception of the independent auditors, any significant matters of concern arising from the audit, and the extent to which recommendations made by the independent auditors have been implemented.*
- *Prepare semi-annual written reports to the Board relating the results of committee activities.*

*The Board may provide written guidance to the Committee on an annual basis regarding those areas on which the Committee should focus.*

**A. Call to Order**

*Chairperson Elizabeth Ross called the January 6, 2025, Audit Committee Meeting at 6:05 P.M.*

**B. Roll Call**

- Present** 4 - Member Jason Joseph  
 Secretary Bessie Weiss  
 Vice Chairperson Caroline Lee  
 Chairperson Elizabeth Ross
- Absent** 1 - Member (Vacancy) (Vacancy)

### C. Speaker Request Cards/Modification(s) To Agenda

*A request to speak at this Committee Meeting, may be made in-person or virtually as stated in this Agenda.*

*Modification(s) to the Agenda, by the Audit Committee, allows for any change in the printed Order of Business including, but not limited to, an announcement that an Item or Legislative File will be considered out of Agenda printed order, that consideration of an Item has been withdrawn, postponed, rescheduled or "pulled" or taken off of the Committee General Consent Report for separate discussion and/or possible action.*

### D. Adoption of Committee Minutes



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[24-2750](#)

#### Minutes - Audit Committee – October 7, 2024

Adoption by the Audit Committee of its Meeting Minutes of October 7, 2024.

**Attachments:** [24-2750 Minutes - Audit Committee – October 7, 2024](#)

**A motion was made by Member Joseph, seconded by Secretary Weiss, that the October 7, 2024, Audit Committee Minutes, be Adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:**

- Aye:** 4 - Member Jason Joseph  
 Secretary Bessie Weiss  
 Vice Chairperson Caroline Lee  
 Chairperson Elizabeth Ross

- Non-voting:** 1 - Member (Vacancy) (Vacancy)

Enactment No: 25-0300

**E. Adoption of the Committee General Consent Report**

*"Adoption of the Committee General Consent Report" means that all items appearing under this topic are approved in one motion unless a Member of the Committee requests that an item be removed and voted on separately or otherwise acted upon. Generally, these items are routine in nature, and are acted upon in one motion to conserve time and permit focus on other-than-routine legislative items on the agenda.*

*None*

**F. Unfinished Business**

*None*

**G. New Business**





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[24-3153](#)

**District Financial Audit - Eide Bailly, LLP - Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2024**

Presentation to the Audit Committee of the District’s Financial Statements (Audit Report) for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2024, from Eide Bailly, LLP, Independent Auditors.

- Attachments:**
- [24-3153 Board Memorandum - District Financial Audit - Eide Bailly, LLP - Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2024](#)
  - [24-3153 Presentation - Eide Bailly Financial Audit - Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2024 \(1/22/2025\)](#)
  - [24-3153 Eide Bailly Financial Governance Letter - Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2024 \(1/22/2025\)](#)
  - [24-3153 Oakland Unified School District 2024 Audited Financial Statements - Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2024 \(1/22/2025\)](#)
  - [24-3153 Oakland Unified School District 2024 Parcel Tax Compliance Statements - Measure G, Measure G1, Measure N, and Measure H - Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2024 \(1/22/2025\)](#)

*Nathan Edelman, Independent Auditor, Eide Bailly, LLP, gave the presentation of the District’s Financial Statements (Audit Report) for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2024, and responded to comments and questions from the Committee.*

*Discussion - Member Joseph, Secretary Weiss, Vice Chairperson Lee, Chairperson Ross*

*Public Comment - None*

**Discussed**



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[24-2749](#)

**Audit Committee - Semi-Annual Report - Board of Education - Fiscal Year 2024-2025**

A discussion and possible adoption by the Audit Committee of its Semi-Annual written report to the Board of Education relating the results of Audit Committee Activities for fiscal year 2024 - 2025.

**Attachments:** [24-2749 Audit Tracker - Semi Annual Report to the Board of Education - Fiscal Year 2024-2025](#)  
[24-2749 Semi Annual Report to the Board of Education - Fiscal Year 2024-2025 as approved on 1/6/2025](#)

*Chairperson Ross opened the floor for discussion on the Semi-Annual written report to the Board of Education relating the results of Audit Committee Activities for fiscal year 2024 - 2025.*

*Discussion - Member Joseph, Secretary Weiss, Vice Chairperson Lee, Chairperson Ross*

*Public Comment - None*

**A motion was made by Chairperson Ross, seconded by Secretary Weiss, that the 2024 - 2025 Audit Committee Semi-Annual written report be Adopted as Amended, including the following language in the second paragraph after the sentence "The penalty was \$801,632.00.: We remind the Board that the district incurred a \$360,000 fine related to teacher misassignments in 2021. Not addressing capacity issues faced by the finance group can and will result in real costs such as these fines. An increase in finance staff would effectively pay for itself and save money given the steep fines of such matters. The solution was stated as 'evaluate the process and controls'." The motion carried by the following vote:**

- Aye:** 4 - Member Jason Joseph  
Secretary Bessie Weiss  
Vice Chairperson Caroline Lee  
Chairperson Elizabeth Ross

- Absent:** 1 - Member (Vacancy) (Vacancy)

Enactment No: 25-0301

## H. Public Comments on All Non-Agenda Items Within the Subject Matter Jurisdiction of the Committee

*This section of the agenda provides an opportunity for a member of the Public, for three minutes per person, or less, depending on the number of speakers, to directly address the Committee on any item of interest to a member of the Public that is not on the current agenda, but is within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Committee. Minutes are not transferrable from speaker to speaker. This item is limited to a total of thirty (30) minutes. The Committee may not discuss or take any action on a non-agenda item not appearing on the posted agenda for this meeting, except the Committee or staff may briefly respond to a statement made or questions posed by a member of the public, as authorized by law. In addition, on their own initiative or in response to questions posed by the public, a member of the Committee or its staff may ask a question for clarification, make a brief announcement, or make a brief report of his or her own activities.*

H.-1 [24-2751](#)

### **Public Comment on All Non-Agenda Items Within the Subject Matter Jurisdiction of the Audit Committee - Up To 30 Minutes – January 6, 2025**

Public Comment on All Non-Agenda Items Within the Subject Matter Jurisdiction of the Audit Committee - Up To 30 Minutes - January 6, 2025.

**No Public Comments**

## I. Introduction of New Legislative Matter

*This section of the Agenda is devoted to the introduction of new legislative matter within the subject matter jurisdiction of the committee by a Committee member or Members of the Public.*

None

## J. Adjournment

Chairperson Ross adjourned the Meeting at 7:24 P.M.

Prepared By: \_\_\_\_\_

Approved By: \_\_\_\_\_