

**The Autism Model School
Board Meeting Minutes
April 21st, 2026**

Meeting Start: 5:30 PM

Attending: Bruce Weinberg, Linell Weinberg, Kathleen Cott-Johnson, Lisa Marsalek, Kim Veizer

Excused: Isaac Demarest, Raj Parikh, Mark Greenblatt, Jim Rothschild

Also Attending: Joel Vidovic, Executive Director; Marcus Flynn – Recorder of Minutes; Brittany Beck, Sponsor Representative - ESC Lake Erie West

Meeting began at 5:30 PM

I. Agenda

a. Discussion and approval.

a. **Motion to approve the April agenda as written:**

1. **Marsalek**

2. **Veizer**

a. **Vote – Yes – Unanimous: Weinberg, B., Cott-Johnson, Marsalek, Veizer**

II. Welcome and Public Comments

a. None to present

III. Minutes

a. Discussion and approval of minutes from the March 2026 board meeting.

a. **Motion to approve the March 2026 Minutes as written:**

1. **Veizer**

2. **Marsalek**

a. **Vote – Yes – Unanimous: Weinberg, B., Cott-Johnson, Marsalek, Veizer**

IV. Standing Reports

a. Financial Report

a. The Board reviewed and discussed the March 2026 financial report.

1. **Motion to approve the March 2026 Financial reports:**

a. **Marsalek**

b. **Veizer**

1. **Vote – Yes – Unanimous: Weinberg, B., Cott-Johnson, Marsalek, Veizer**

b. AMS Foundation Report

a. Reviewed and Discussed

- c. Sponsor Representative Report
 - a. Brittany Beck presented the Sponsor Representative Report for April 2026
 - b. No April site visit
- d. Policies and Procedures
 - a. Nothing to Present

V. Director's Report

- a. Toni Gerber Resignation
 - a. Received and accepted
 - b. Staffing Update for March 2026:
 - a. Reviewed and Discussed
 - 1. **Motion to approve the March 2026 Staff Changes:**
 - a. **Marsalek**
 - b. **Veizer**
 - 1. **Vote – Yes – Unanimous: Weinberg, B., Cott-Johnson, Marsalek, Veizer**
- c. Current Funding/Enrollment Update
 - a. Reviewed and Discussed
- d. Software Update
 - a. Reviewed and Discussed
- e. Threshold Cost Application
 - a. Reviewed and Discussed
- f. Diligent Community
 - a. Reviewed and Discussed
- g. Education Appreciation Week May 4th-May 8th
 - a. Reviewed and Discussed
- h. Playground Re-Grading/Re-Seeding
- i. Grant Update
 - a. Grants Awarded
 - 1. Reviewed and Discussed
 - b. Grants Denied
 - 1. Reviewed and Discussed
 - c. Grant Submitted
 - 1. Reviewed and Discussed
 - d. Grants in Progress
 - 1. Reviewed and Discussed

VI. Transportation Directors Report

- a. Transportation Director Report was reviewed and discussed.

VII. Old Business

- a. Sunshine Law Training

- a. Reviewed and Discussed
- b. 2025-2026 Sunshine Law Training- Due by April 30th, 2026
- c. 7 of 9 Board Members are now compliant for current year

VIII. New Business

- a. ADA Plan for 5310 Grant
 - a. Reviewed and Discussed
 - 1. **Motion to approve the ADA Plan for the 5310 Grant:**
 - a. **Marsalek**
 - b. **Cott-Johnson**
 - 1. **Vote – Yes – Unanimous: Weinberg, B., Cott-Johnson, Marsalek, Veizer**
- b. Spring Contract Modifications ESCLEW
 - a. Reviewed and Discussed
 - 1. **Motion to approve the ESCLEW Spring Contract Modifications:**
 - a. **Cott-Johnson**
 - b. **Marsalek**
 - 1. **Vote – Yes – Unanimous: Weinberg, B., Cott-Johnson, Marsalek, Veizer**
- c. 2026-2027 Board Meeting and Finance Committee Schedule
 - a. Reviewed and Discussed
 - 1. **Motion to approve the 2026-2027 Board Meeting and Finance Committee Schedule:**
 - a. **Marsalek**
 - b. **Veizer**
 - 1. **Vote – Yes – Unanimous: Weinberg, B., Cott-Johnson, Marsalek, Veizer**
- d. Employee Benefit Renewal
 - a. Reviewed and Discussed
 - 1. **Motion to approve Anthem renewal offer with the rate reduction per the finance committee’s recommendation:**
 - a. **Marsalek**
 - b. **B. Weinberg**
 - 1. **Vote – Yes – Unanimous: Weinberg, B., Cott-Johnson, Marsalek, Veizer**
 - 2. **Motion to approve Option 2 as presented in the benefit analysis report presented by the Director per the recommendations of the finance committee:**
 - a. **Marsalek**
 - b. **B. Weinberg**

1. **Vote – Yes – Unanimous: Weinberg, B., Cott-Johnson, Marsalek, Veizer**

IX. Executive Session

- a. For the purpose of reviewing compensation of public employees
 - a. **Motion to move to Executive Session for the purpose of discussing employee contracts; not to exceed 30 minutes(6:10pm)**
 1. **Marsalek**
 2. **Cott-Johnson, K.**
 - a. **Vote – Yes – Unanimous: Weinberg, B., Cott-Johnson, Marsalek, Veizer**
 1. **Roll Call Vote**
 1. **Cott-Johnson, K. – Yes**
 2. **Marsalek, L. – Yes**
 3. **Veizer, K. – Yes**
 4. **Weinberg, B. – Yes**
 5. **Weinberg, L. – Yes**
 - b. **Motion to exit executive Session at 6:37 p.m.**
 1. **Cott-Johnson, K.**
 2. **Marsalek**
 - a. **Vote – Yes – Unanimous: Weinberg, B., Cott-Johnson, Marsalek, Veizer**
 1. **Roll Call Vote**
 - a. **Cott-Johnson, K. – Yes**
 - b. **Marsalek, L. – Yes**
 - c. **Veizer, K. – Yes**
 - d. **Weinberg, B. – Yes**
 - e. **Weinberg, L. – Yes**
 - c. **Motion to approve salary adjustments presented by Executive Director for FY 27:**
 1. **Cott-Johnson**
 2. **Marsalek**
 - a. **Vote – Yes – Unanimous: Weinberg, B., Cott-Johnson, Marsalek, Veizer**

Motion to adjourn at 6:38 PM

1. **Cott-Johnson**

The next regular board meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, May 19th, 2026 at 5:30pm. The meeting will be held at the office of Mark Greenblatt, located at 7150 W. Central Avenue, Ste. 100 Toledo, Ohio 43617.