

**The Autism Model School
Board Meeting Minutes
May 19th, 2026**

Meeting Start: 5:30 PM

Attending: Bruce Weinberg, Linell Weinberg, Kathleen Cott-Johnson, Lisa Marsalek, Kim Veizer, Mark Greenblatt, Jim Rothschild

Excused: Isaac Demarest, Raj Parikh

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 May agenda as written:**
 - 1. **Greenblatt**
 - 2. **Cott-Johnson**
 - a. **Vote – Yes – Unanimous: Weinberg, B., Cott-Johnson, Marsalek, Veizer, Greenblatt, Rothschild**

II. Welcome and Public Comments

- a. None to present

III. Minutes

- a. Discussion and approval of minutes from the April 2026 board meeting.
 - a. **Motion to approve the April 2026 Minutes with the change of adding that we accepted Toni Gerber's resignation in the Director's Report:**
 - 1. **Cott-Johnson**
 - 2. **Marsalek**
 - a. **Vote – Yes – Unanimous: Weinberg, B., Cott-Johnson, Marsalek, Veizer, Greenblatt, Rothschild**

IV. Standing Reports

- a. Financial Report
 - a. The Board reviewed and discussed the April 2026 financial report.
 - 1. **Motion to approve the April 2026 Financial reports:**
 - a. **Marsalek**
 - b. **Cott-Johnson**
 - 1. **Vote – Yes – Unanimous: Weinberg, B., Cott-Johnson, Marsalek, Veizer, Greenblatt, Rothschild**

V. Sponsor Representative Report

- a. Brittany Beck presented the Sponsor Representative Report for May 2026
- b. May site visit was held on May 12th, 2026

VI. Policies and Procedures

- a. AI in Education Model Policy
 - a. Reviewed and discussed
 - 1. **Motion to approve the AI in Education Policy:**
 - a. **Marsalek**
 - b. **Cott-Johnson**
 - 1. **Vote – Yes – Unanimous: Weinberg, B., Cott-Johnson, Marsalek, Veizer, Greenblatt, Rothschild**
- b. Driver Training and Re-Hire Policy
 - a. Reviewed and discussed
 - 1. **Motion to approve the Driver Training and Re-Hire Policy:**
 - a. **Greenblatt**
 - b. **Rothschild**
 - 1. **Vote – Yes – Unanimous: Weinberg, B., Cott-Johnson, Marsalek, Veizer, Greenblatt, Rothschild**
- c. Access to Equal Educational Opportunity/Admissions and Lottery Standards Policy
 - a. Reviewed and discussed
 - 1. **Motion to approve the Access to Equal Educational Opportunity/Admissions and Lottery Standards Policy:**
 - a. **Cott-Johnson**
 - b. **Rothschild**
 - 1. **Vote – Yes – Unanimous: Weinberg, B., Cott-Johnson, Marsalek, Veizer, Greenblatt, Rothschild**

VII. Director's Report

- a. Staffing Update for April 2026:
 - a. Reviewed and Discussed
 - 1. **Motion to approve the April 2026 Staff Changes:**
 - a. **Rothschild**
 - b. **Greenblatt**
 - 1. **Vote – Yes – Unanimous: Weinberg, B., Cott-Johnson, Marsalek, Veizer, Greenblatt, Rothschild**
- b. Current Funding/Enrollment Update
 - a. Reviewed and Discussed
- c. Software Update
 - a. Reviewed and Discussed
- d. Threshold Cost Application
 - a. Reviewed and Discussed
- e. Conversation with the Priest RE: Boiler
 - a. Reviewed and Discussed

- f. Playground Re-Grading/Re-Seeding
 - a. Reviewed and Discussed
- g. 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

VIII. Transportation Directors Report

- a. Transportation Director Report was reviewed and discussed.

IX. Old Business

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

X. New Business

- a. Exhaust Fan Quote
 - a. Reviewed and Discussed
 - 1. **Motion to approve the quote from Cousino Electric as presented by Joel for \$3,074.00:**
 - a. **Marsalek**
 - b. **Rothschild**
 - 1. **Vote – Yes – Unanimous: Weinberg, B., Cott-Johnson, Marsalek, Veizer, Greenblatt, Rothschild**
- b. Plan for Completion of Make-Up days Via Web Access
 - a. Reviewed and Discussed
 - 1. **Motion to approve the Plan for Completion of Make-Up days Via Web Access:**
 - a. **Greenblatt**
 - b. **Veizer**
 - 1. **Vote – Yes – Unanimous: Weinberg, B., Cott-Johnson, Marsalek, Veizer, Greenblatt, Rothschild**
- c. Request for an addition FTE Van Driver
 - a. Reviewed and Discussed
 - 1. **Motion to approve the addition of a FTE Van Driver:**
 - a. **Marsalek**

- b. **Cott-Johnson**
 - 1. **Vote – Yes – Unanimous: Weinberg, B., Cott-Johnson, Marsalek, Veizer, Greenblatt, Rothschild**
 - d. Email from AMS Grandparent
 - a. Reviewed and Discussed
 - e. June Board Meeting
 - a. Reviewed and Cancelled
 - f. July 2026 Board Meeting
 - a. **Motion to move the July 2026 Board Meeting to Autism Model School:**
 - 1. **Marsalek**
 - 2. **Cott-Johnson**
 - a. **Vote – Yes – Unanimous: Weinberg, B., Cott-Johnson, Marsalek, Veizer, Greenblatt, Rothschild**
 - g. Signing of 2026 Graduation Diplomas

XI. Executive Session

- a. For the purpose of reviewing compensation of a public employee
 - a. **Motion to move to Executive Session for the purpose of discussing compensation of a public employee; not to exceed 20 minutes(6:55pm)**
 - 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. **Greenblatt, M. - Yes**
 - 3. **Marsalek, L. – Yes**
 - 4. **Rothschild, J. - Yes**
 - 5. **Veizer, K. – Yes**
 - 6. **Weinberg, B. – Yes**
 - 7. **Weinberg, L. – Yes**
 - b. **Motion to exit executive Session at 7:10 p.m.**
 - 1. **Cott-Johnson, K.**
 - 2. **Marsalek**
 - a. **Vote – Yes – Unanimous: Weinberg, B., Cott-Johnson, Marsalek, Veizer**
 - 1. **Roll Call Vote**
 - 1. **Cott-Johnson, K. – Yes**
 - 2. **Greenblatt, M. - Yes**
 - 3. **Marsalek, L. – Yes**

4. Rothschild, J. - Yes

5. Veizer, K. – Yes

6. Weinberg, B. – Yes

7. Weinberg, L. – Yes

c. **Motion to approve the recommended compensation for the director as discussed in executive session made by the compensation committee.**

1. **Cott-Johnson**

2. **Marsalek**

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

Motion to adjourn at 7:18 PM

1. **Cott-Johnson**

The next regular board meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, July 21st, 2026 at 5:30pm. The meeting will be held at the Autism Model School location at 3020 Tremainsville Rd. Toledo, OH 43613