

**School Ethics Commission Meeting  
Public Session Minutes**

**January 27, 2026**

Chairperson Bender called the regularly scheduled meeting of the School Ethics Commission (Commission or SEC) to order at 9:37 a.m.

Notice of the meeting was provided to the State House Press Corps and the Secretary of State and filed as required by the Open Public Meetings Act.

**I. Roll Call<sup>1</sup>**

<b>Roll Call</b>	<b>Robert Bender</b>	<b>Michael Carucci</b>	<b>Mark Finkelstein</b>	<b>Patricia Gois</b>	<b>Dennis Roberts</b>	<b>Carol E. Sabo</b>	<b>Richard Tomko</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Present</b>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	7
<b>Absent</b>								0

Also, in attendance were Brigid Martens, Director; Dana Jones and Jeannine Pizzigoni, staff members for the Office of School Ethics; and Anna Toor, Deputy Attorney General (DAG).

**II. First Public Comment**

There were not any members of the public present.

**III. Executive Session**

At 9:40 a.m., the following Resolution was read:

*Whereas*, the Open Public Meetings Act (*N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq.*) authorizes the Commission, a public body, to meet in Executive Session under certain circumstances; and

*Whereas*, the Open Public Meetings Act requires that the Commission adopt a Resolution at a public meeting to go into Executive Session; and

*Now therefore be it resolved* that, consistent with the provisions of *N.J.A.C. 10:4-12(b)*, the Commission will adjourn to Executive Session to discuss matters which, by statute, are regarded as confidential and also to discuss matters possibly involving litigation: C75-20, C76-20, C77-20 and C79-20 (Consolidated); C54-25; C55-25; C56-

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<sup>1</sup> Due to inclement weather and a delayed opening for State offices, the Commissioners and the staff attended the meeting virtually.

25; C57-25; C58-25; C60-25; C62-25; C64-25; C65-25; C67-25; C69-25; C73-24; C10-25; C33-25; C34-25; C35-25; C38-25; C39-25; C40-25; C41-25; C42-25, C47-25, C49-25, C50-25 and C51-25 (Consolidated); C46-25; C53-25; A18-25; A24-25; A01-26; A02-26; A03-26; C02-17; C03-17; C04-17; C33-17; C34-17; C35-17; C58-17; C59-17; C60-17; C63-17; C64-17; C65-17; C66-17; C118-25; C119-25; C120-25; C123-25; C124-25; Doctrine of Necessity submitted by the Monroe Township Board of Education; Consider the Request for Interlocutory Review in connection with C85-23; Adopt a Resolution of 30-Day Suspension in connection with D02-25; Adopt a Resolution of Censure in connection with D03-25; Adopt a Resolution of Censure in connection with T14-25; Adopt a Resolution of Censure in connection with C82-22 and Consider whether to place C73-25 in abeyance; and

*Now therefore be it further resolved* that the Commission will return to open session to conduct business at the conclusion of Executive Session.

Motion was made by Dennis Roberts, and seconded by Michael Carucci, to adjourn to Executive Session to discuss the matters set forth in the foregoing Resolution.

**Vote**

<b>Vote</b>	<b>Robert Bender</b>	<b>Michael Carucci</b>	<b>Mark Finkelstein</b>	<b>Patricia Gois</b>	<b>Dennis Roberts</b>	<b>Carol E. Sabo</b>	<b>Richard Tomko</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Yes</b>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	7
<b>No</b>								0
<b>Abstention</b>								0

**IV. Return to Public**

At 12:44 p.m., a motion was made by Dennis Roberts, and seconded by Carol E. Sabo, to return to public session for the purpose of receiving public comment/testimony, and to vote on matters discussed in Executive Session (as appropriate).

**Vote**

<b>Vote</b>	<b>Robert Bender</b>	<b>Michael Carucci</b>	<b>Mark Finkelstein</b>	<b>Patricia Gois</b>	<b>Dennis Roberts</b>	<b>Carol E. Sabo</b>	<b>Richard Tomko</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Yes</b>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	7
<b>No</b>								0
<b>Abstention</b>								0

**V. Complaints to Review**

**C75-20, C76-20, C77-20 and C79-20 (Consolidated)** Motion was made by Carol E. Sabo, and seconded by Dennis Roberts, to draft a decision as discussed.

**Vote**

<b>Vote</b>	<b>Robert Bender</b>	<b>Michael Carucci</b>	<b>Mark Finkelstein</b>	<b>Patricia Gois</b>	<b>Dennis Roberts</b>	<b>Carol E. Sabo</b>	<b>Richard Tomko</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Yes</b>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	7
<b>No</b>								0
<b>Abstention</b>								0

**C54-25** Motion was made by Dennis Roberts, and seconded by Richard Tomko, to draft a decision as discussed.

**Vote**

<b>Vote</b>	<b>Robert Bender</b>	<b>Michael Carucci</b>	<b>Mark Finkelstein</b>	<b>Patricia Gois</b>	<b>Dennis Roberts</b>	<b>Carol E. Sabo</b>	<b>Richard Tomko</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Yes</b>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	7
<b>No</b>								0
<b>Abstention</b>								0

**C55-25** Motion was made by Carol E. Sabo, and seconded by Mark Finkelstein, to draft a decision as discussed.

**Vote**

<b>Vote</b>	<b>Robert Bender</b>	<b>Michael Carucci</b>	<b>Mark Finkelstein</b>	<b>Patricia Gois</b>	<b>Dennis Roberts</b>	<b>Carol E. Sabo</b>	<b>Richard Tomko</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Yes</b>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	7
<b>No</b>								0
<b>Abstention</b>								0

**C56-25** Motion was made by Carol E. Sabo, and seconded by Richard Tomko, to draft a decision as discussed.

**Vote**

<b>Vote</b>	<b>Robert Bender</b>	<b>Michael Carucci</b>	<b>Mark Finkelstein</b>	<b>Patricia Gois</b>	<b>Dennis Roberts</b>	<b>Carol E. Sabo</b>	<b>Richard Tomko</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Yes</b>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	7
<b>No</b>								0
<b>Abstention</b>								0

**C57-25** Motion was made by Dennis Roberts, and seconded by Patricia Gois, to draft a decision as discussed.

**Vote**

<b>Vote</b>	<b>Robert Bender</b>	<b>Michael Carucci</b>	<b>Mark Finkelstein</b>	<b>Patricia Gois</b>	<b>Dennis Roberts</b>	<b>Carol E. Sabo</b>	<b>Richard Tomko</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Yes</b>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	7
<b>No</b>								0
<b>Abstention</b>								0

**C58-25** Motion was made by Dennis Roberts, and seconded by Mark Finkelstein, to draft a decision as discussed.

**Vote**

<b>Vote</b>	<b>Robert Bender</b>	<b>Michael Carucci</b>	<b>Mark Finkelstein</b>	<b>Patricia Gois</b>	<b>Dennis Roberts</b>	<b>Carol E. Sabo</b>	<b>Richard Tomko</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Yes</b>	X	X	X	X	X	X		6
<b>No</b>								0
<b>Abstention</b>							X <sup>2</sup>	1

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<sup>2</sup> Commissioner Tomko has a conflict, and therefore, did not participate in the discussion or vote related to this matter.

**C60-25** Motion was made by Dennis Roberts, and seconded by Richard Tomko, to draft a decision as discussed.

**Vote**

<b>Vote</b>	<b>Robert Bender</b>	<b>Michael Carucci</b>	<b>Mark Finkelstein</b>	<b>Patricia Gois</b>	<b>Dennis Roberts</b>	<b>Carol E. Sabo</b>	<b>Richard Tomko</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Yes</b>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	7
<b>No</b>								0
<b>Abstention</b>								0

**C62-25** Motion was made by Carol E. Sabo, and seconded by Mark Finkelstein, to draft a decision as discussed.

**Vote**

<b>Vote</b>	<b>Robert Bender</b>	<b>Michael Carucci</b>	<b>Mark Finkelstein</b>	<b>Patricia Gois</b>	<b>Dennis Roberts</b>	<b>Carol E. Sabo</b>	<b>Richard Tomko</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Yes</b>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	7
<b>No</b>								0
<b>Abstention</b>								0

**C64-25** Motion was made by Carol E. Sabo, and seconded by Dennis Roberts, to draft a decision as discussed.

**Vote**

<b>Vote</b>	<b>Robert Bender</b>	<b>Michael Carucci</b>	<b>Mark Finkelstein</b>	<b>Patricia Gois</b>	<b>Dennis Roberts</b>	<b>Carol E. Sabo</b>	<b>Richard Tomko</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Yes</b>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	7
<b>No</b>								0
<b>Abstention</b>								0

**C65-25** Motion was made by Dennis Roberts, and seconded by Carol E. Sabo, to draft a decision as discussed.

**Vote**

<b>Vote</b>	<b>Robert Bender</b>	<b>Michael Carucci</b>	<b>Mark Finkelstein</b>	<b>Patricia Gois</b>	<b>Dennis Roberts</b>	<b>Carol E. Sabo</b>	<b>Richard Tomko</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Yes</b>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	7
<b>No</b>								0
<b>Abstention</b>								0

**C67-25** Motion was made by Micael Carucci, and seconded by Richard Tomko, to draft a decision as discussed.

**Vote**

<b>Vote</b>	<b>Robert Bender</b>	<b>Michael Carucci</b>	<b>Mark Finkelstein</b>	<b>Patricia Gois</b>	<b>Dennis Roberts</b>	<b>Carol E. Sabo</b>	<b>Richard Tomko</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Yes</b>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	7
<b>No</b>								0
<b>Abstention</b>								0

**C69-25** Motion was made by Michael Carucci, and seconded by Patricia Gois, to draft a decision as discussed.

**Vote**

<b>Vote</b>	<b>Robert Bender</b>	<b>Michael Carucci</b>	<b>Mark Finkelstein</b>	<b>Patricia Gois</b>	<b>Dennis Roberts</b>	<b>Carol E. Sabo</b>	<b>Richard Tomko</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Yes</b>	X	X	X	X		X	X	6
<b>No</b>								0
<b>Abstention</b>					X			1

**VI. Decisions to Adopt as Written<sup>3</sup>**

**C73-24** Motion was made by Dennis Roberts, and seconded by Carol E. Sabo, to adopt the decision as written.

**Vote**

<b>Vote</b>	<b>Robert Bender</b>	<b>Michael Carucci</b>	<b>Mark Finkelstein</b>	<b>Patricia Gois</b>	<b>Dennis Roberts</b>	<b>Carol E. Sabo</b>	<b>Richard Tomko</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Yes</b>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	7
<b>No</b>								0
<b>Abstention</b>								0

**C10-25** Motion was made by Dennis Roberts, and seconded by Carol E. Sabo, to adopt the decision as written.

**Vote**

<b>Vote</b>	<b>Robert Bender</b>	<b>Michael Carucci</b>	<b>Mark Finkelstein</b>	<b>Patricia Gois</b>	<b>Dennis Roberts</b>	<b>Carol E. Sabo</b>	<b>Richard Tomko</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Yes</b>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	7
<b>No</b>								0
<b>Abstention</b>								0

**C33-25** Motion was made by Dennis Roberts, and seconded by Carol E. Sabo, to adopt the decision as written.

**Vote**

<b>Vote</b>	<b>Robert Bender</b>	<b>Michael Carucci</b>	<b>Mark Finkelstein</b>	<b>Patricia Gois</b>	<b>Dennis Roberts</b>	<b>Carol E. Sabo</b>	<b>Richard Tomko</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Yes</b>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	7
<b>No</b>								0
<b>Abstention</b>								0

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<sup>3</sup> Director Martens briefed the Commission on each matter.

**C34-25** Motion was made by Dennis Roberts, and seconded by Carol E. Sabo, to adopt the decision as written.

**Vote**

<b>Vote</b>	<b>Robert Bender</b>	<b>Michael Carucci</b>	<b>Mark Finkelstein</b>	<b>Patricia Gois</b>	<b>Dennis Roberts</b>	<b>Carol E. Sabo</b>	<b>Richard Tomko</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Yes</b>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	7
<b>No</b>								0
<b>Abstention</b>								0

**C35-25** Motion was made by Dennis Roberts, and seconded by Carol E. Sabo, to adopt the decision as written.

**Vote**

<b>Vote</b>	<b>Robert Bender</b>	<b>Michael Carucci</b>	<b>Mark Finkelstein</b>	<b>Patricia Gois</b>	<b>Dennis Roberts</b>	<b>Carol E. Sabo</b>	<b>Richard Tomko</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Yes</b>	X	X		X	X	X		5
<b>No</b>								0
<b>Abstention</b>			X				X <sup>4</sup>	2

**C38-25** Motion was made by Dennis Roberts, and seconded by Carol E. Sabo, to adopt the decision as written.

**Vote**

<b>Vote</b>	<b>Robert Bender</b>	<b>Michael Carucci</b>	<b>Mark Finkelstein</b>	<b>Patricia Gois</b>	<b>Dennis Roberts</b>	<b>Carol E. Sabo</b>	<b>Richard Tomko</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Yes</b>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	7
<b>No</b>								0
<b>Abstention</b>								0

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<sup>4</sup> Commissioner Tomko has a conflict, and therefore, did not participate in the discussion or vote related to this matter.

**C39-25** Motion was made by Dennis Roberts, and seconded by Carol E. Sabo, to adopt the decision as written.

**Vote**

<b>Vote</b>	<b>Robert Bender</b>	<b>Michael Carucci</b>	<b>Mark Finkelstein</b>	<b>Patricia Gois</b>	<b>Dennis Roberts</b>	<b>Carol E. Sabo</b>	<b>Richard Tomko</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Yes</b>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	7
<b>No</b>								0
<b>Abstention</b>								0

**C40-25** Motion was made by Dennis Roberts, and seconded by Carol E. Sabo, to adopt the decision as written.

**Vote**

<b>Vote</b>	<b>Robert Bender</b>	<b>Michael Carucci</b>	<b>Mark Finkelstein</b>	<b>Patricia Gois</b>	<b>Dennis Roberts</b>	<b>Carol E. Sabo</b>	<b>Richard Tomko</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Yes</b>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	7
<b>No</b>								0
<b>Abstention</b>								0

**C41-25** Motion was made by Dennis Roberts, and seconded by Carol E. Sabo, to adopt the decision as written.

**Vote**

<b>Vote</b>	<b>Robert Bender</b>	<b>Michael Carucci</b>	<b>Mark Finkelstein</b>	<b>Patricia Gois</b>	<b>Dennis Roberts</b>	<b>Carol E. Sabo</b>	<b>Richard Tomko</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Yes</b>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	7
<b>No</b>								0
<b>Abstention</b>								0

**C42-25, C47-25, C49-25, C50-25 and C51-25 (Consolidated)** Motion was made by Dennis Roberts, and seconded by Carol E. Sabo, to adopt the decision as written.

**Vote**

<b>Vote</b>	<b>Robert Bender</b>	<b>Michael Carucci</b>	<b>Mark Finkelstein</b>	<b>Patricia Gois</b>	<b>Dennis Roberts</b>	<b>Carol E. Sabo</b>	<b>Richard Tomko</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Yes</b>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	7
<b>No</b>								0
<b>Abstention</b>								0

**C46-25** Motion was made by Dennis Roberts, and seconded by Carol E. Sabo, to adopt the decision as written.

**Vote**

<b>Vote</b>	<b>Robert Bender</b>	<b>Michael Carucci</b>	<b>Mark Finkelstein</b>	<b>Patricia Gois</b>	<b>Dennis Roberts</b>	<b>Carol E. Sabo</b>	<b>Richard Tomko</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Yes</b>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	7
<b>No</b>								0
<b>Abstention</b>								0

**C53-25** Motion was made by Dennis Roberts, and seconded by Carol E. Sabo, to adopt the decision as written.

**Vote**

<b>Vote</b>	<b>Robert Bender</b>	<b>Michael Carucci</b>	<b>Mark Finkelstein</b>	<b>Patricia Gois</b>	<b>Dennis Roberts</b>	<b>Carol E. Sabo</b>	<b>Richard Tomko</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Yes</b>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	7
<b>No</b>								0
<b>Abstention</b>								0

**VII. Advisory Opinions**

**A18-25 (Reconsideration)** Motion was made by Richard Tomko, and seconded by Carol E. Sabo, to adopt the reconsideration as written and to remove the advisory opinion from public.

**Vote**

<b>Vote</b>	<b>Robert Bender</b>	<b>Michael Carucci</b>	<b>Mark Finkelstein</b>	<b>Patricia Gois</b>	<b>Dennis Roberts</b>	<b>Carol E. Sabo</b>	<b>Richard Tomko</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Yes</b>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	7
<b>No</b>								0
<b>Abstention</b>								0

**A24-25** Motion was made by Richard Tomko, and seconded by Carol E. Sabo, to adopt the advisory opinion as written.

**Vote**

<b>Vote</b>	<b>Robert Bender</b>	<b>Michael Carucci</b>	<b>Mark Finkelstein</b>	<b>Patricia Gois</b>	<b>Dennis Roberts</b>	<b>Carol E. Sabo</b>	<b>Richard Tomko</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Yes</b>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	7
<b>No</b>								0
<b>Abstention</b>								0

**A01-26** Motion was made by Richard Tomko, and seconded by Carol E. Sabo, to adopt the advisory opinion as written.

**Vote**

<b>Vote</b>	<b>Robert Bender</b>	<b>Michael Carucci</b>	<b>Mark Finkelstein</b>	<b>Patricia Gois</b>	<b>Dennis Roberts</b>	<b>Carol E. Sabo</b>	<b>Richard Tomko</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Yes</b>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	7
<b>No</b>								0
<b>Abstention</b>								0

**A02-26** Motion was made by Richard Tomko, and seconded by Carol E. Sabo, to adopt the advisory opinion as written.

**Vote**

<b>Vote</b>	<b>Robert Bender</b>	<b>Michael Carucci</b>	<b>Mark Finkelstein</b>	<b>Patricia Gois</b>	<b>Dennis Roberts</b>	<b>Carol E. Sabo</b>	<b>Richard Tomko</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Yes</b>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	7
<b>No</b>								0
<b>Abstention</b>								0

**A03-26** Motion was made by Richard Tomko, and seconded by Carol E. Sabo, to table the advisory opinion for further discussion.

**Vote**

<b>Vote</b>	<b>Robert Bender</b>	<b>Michael Carucci</b>	<b>Mark Finkelstein</b>	<b>Patricia Gois</b>	<b>Dennis Roberts</b>	<b>Carol E. Sabo</b>	<b>Richard Tomko</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Yes</b>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	7
<b>No</b>								0
<b>Abstention</b>								0

**VIII. Administrative Dismissals**

- C02-17** This matter was on the agenda for informational purposes only.
- C03-17** This matter was on the agenda for informational purposes only.
- C04-17** This matter was on the agenda for informational purposes only.
- C33-17** This matter was on the agenda for informational purposes only.
- C34-17** This matter was on the agenda for informational purposes only.
- C35-17** This matter was on the agenda for informational purposes only.
- C58-17** This matter was on the agenda for informational purposes only.
- C59-17** This matter was on the agenda for informational purposes only.
- C60-17** This matter was on the agenda for informational purposes only.

- C63-17** This matter was on the agenda for informational purposes only.
- C64-17** This matter was on the agenda for informational purposes only.
- C65-17** This matter was on the agenda for informational purposes only.
- C66-17** This matter was on the agenda for informational purposes only.
- C118-25** This matter was on the agenda for informational purposes only.
- C119-25** This matter was on the agenda for informational purposes only.
- C120-25** This matter was on the agenda for informational purposes only.
- C123-25** This matter was on the agenda for informational purposes only.
- C124-25** This matter was on the agenda for informational purposes only.

**IX. Other Business**

**Doctrines of Necessity** submitted by the Monroe Township Board of Education.  
 This matter was on the agenda for informational purposes only.

**Consider the Request for Interlocutory Review in connection with C85-23.** Motion was made by Dennis Roberts, and seconded by Carol E. Sabo, to deny the request for Interlocutory Review.

**Vote**

<b>Vote</b>	<b>Robert Bender</b>	<b>Michael Carucci</b>	<b>Mark Finkelstein</b>	<b>Patricia Gois</b>	<b>Dennis Roberts</b>	<b>Carol E. Sabo</b>	<b>Richard Tomko</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Yes</b>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	7
<b>No</b>								0
<b>Abstention</b>								0

**Adopt a Resolution of 30-Day Suspension in connection with D02-25.** Motion was made by Dennis Roberts, and seconded by Richard Tomko, to adopt the Resolution.

**Vote**

<b>Vote</b>	<b>Robert Bender</b>	<b>Michael Carucci</b>	<b>Mark Finkelstein</b>	<b>Patricia Gois</b>	<b>Dennis Roberts</b>	<b>Carol E. Sabo</b>	<b>Richard Tomko</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Yes</b>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	7
<b>No</b>								0
<b>Abstention</b>								0

**Adopt the Resolution of Censure in connection with D03-25.** Motion was made by Dennis Roberts, and seconded by Richard Tomko, to adopt the Resolution.

**Vote**

<b>Vote</b>	<b>Robert Bender</b>	<b>Michael Carucci</b>	<b>Mark Finkelstein</b>	<b>Patricia Gois</b>	<b>Dennis Roberts</b>	<b>Carol E. Sabo</b>	<b>Richard Tomko</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Yes</b>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	7
<b>No</b>								0
<b>Abstention</b>								0

**Adopt the Resolution of Censure in connection with T14-25.** Motion was made by Dennis Roberts, and seconded by Richard Tomko, to adopt the Resolution.

**Vote**

<b>Vote</b>	<b>Robert Bender</b>	<b>Michael Carucci</b>	<b>Mark Finkelstein</b>	<b>Patricia Gois</b>	<b>Dennis Roberts</b>	<b>Carol E. Sabo</b>	<b>Richard Tomko</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Yes</b>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	7
<b>No</b>								0
<b>Abstention</b>								0

**Adopt the Resolution of Censure in connection with C82-22.** Motion was made by Dennis Roberts, and seconded by Carol E. Sabo, to adopt the Resolution.

**Vote**

<b>Vote</b>	<b>Robert Bender</b>	<b>Michael Carucci</b>	<b>Mark Finkelstein</b>	<b>Patricia Gois</b>	<b>Dennis Roberts</b>	<b>Carol E. Sabo</b>	<b>Richard Tomko</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Yes</b>	X	X	X	X	X	X		6
<b>No</b>								0
<b>Abstention</b>							X <sup>5</sup>	1

**Consider whether to place C73-25 in abeyance.** Motion was made by Patricia Gois, and seconded by Carol E. Sabo, to place the matter in abeyance.

**Vote**

<b>Vote</b>	<b>Robert Bender</b>	<b>Michael Carucci</b>	<b>Mark Finkelstein</b>	<b>Patricia Gois</b>	<b>Dennis Roberts</b>	<b>Carol E. Sabo</b>	<b>Richard Tomko</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Yes</b>	X	X	X	X	X	X		6
<b>No</b>								0
<b>Abstention</b>							X <sup>6</sup>	1

**X. Minutes**

Motion was made by Carol E. Sabo, and seconded by Dennis Roberts, to adopt the minutes of the regularly scheduled meeting (public and executive) conducted on December 16, 2025.

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<sup>5</sup> Commissioner Tomko has a conflict, and therefore, did not participate in the discussion or vote related to this matter.

<sup>6</sup> Commissioner Tomko has a conflict, and therefore, did not participate in the discussion or vote related to this matter.

**Vote**

<b>Vote</b>	<b>Robert Bender</b>	<b>Michael Carucci</b>	<b>Mark Finkelstein</b>	<b>Patricia Gois</b>	<b>Dennis Roberts</b>	<b>Carol E. Sabo</b>	<b>Richard Tomko</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Yes</b>	X	X			X	X	X	5
<b>No</b>								0
<b>Abstention</b>			X	X				2

**XI. Second Public Comment**

There were not any members of the public present during the second public session.

**XII. Adjournment**

At 1:03 p.m., a motion was made by Patricia Gois, and seconded by Carol E. Sabo, to adjourn.

**Vote**

<b>Vote</b>	<b>Robert Bender</b>	<b>Michael Carucci</b>	<b>Mark Finkelstein</b>	<b>Patricia Gois</b>	<b>Dennis Roberts</b>	<b>Carol E. Sabo</b>	<b>Richard Tomko</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Yes</b>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	7
<b>No</b>								0
<b>Abstention</b>								0

Submitted by:

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Jeannine Pizzigoni

Approved by:

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Brigid C. Martens, Director  
School Ethics Commission