



NEW YORK STATE

OLYMPIC REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

US Olympic and Paralympic Training Center, Lake Placid, NY

September 19, 2025

1:00 p.m.

AGENDA

I. INTRODUCTION

- a. Roll Call
- b. Approval of Minutes from June 27, 2025 Board Meeting

II. DISCUSSION

- a. Audit Committee Report
- b. Executive Committee Report
- c. President's Report

III. NEW BUSINESS

A. Resolutions

- Resolution #565 - Resolution Approving the Chair's Appointments to Committees of the Olympic Authority Board of Directors
- Resolution #566 - Resolution Committing Operating Funds and Granting Approval for the President & CEO to Enter Into Agreements for Policies of Insurance
- Resolution #567 - Resolution Committing Operating Funds and Granting Approval for the President & CEO to Enter Into an Agreement for Professional Auditing Services
- Resolution #568 - Resolution Committing Operating Funds and Authorizing the President & CEO to Enter Into Electricity Supply Agreements for Belleayre Mountain, Gore Mountain, and Whiteface Mountain
- Resolution #569 - Resolution Committing Capital and Authorizing the President & CEO to Enter Into Agreements for the 128 Meter Ski Jump Tower Improvement Project
- Resolution #570 - Resolution Committing Capital and Authorizing the President & CEO to Enter Into Agreements for the 1980 Herb Brooks Arena Improvement Project
- Resolution #571 - Resolution Committing Capital and Granting Approval for the President & CEO to Enter Into an Amendment to the Agreement with the Lake Placid Olympic Museum

IV. ADJOURN



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Board Meeting Minutes June 27, 2025

Present: Jenn Holderied
Steve Hunt
Billy Jones
Betty Little
Gigi Loizzo*
Art Lussi
Diane Munro
Chris Pushkarsh*
Joe Zalewski

* Remote attendance from advertised location

Also Present: Ashley Walden, President & CEO
Michelle Crew, General Counsel

Introduction: Art Lussi called the meeting to order at 1:01 p.m. and welcomed everyone in attendance. Art noted that we were welcoming new Board members Billy Jones and Gigi Loizzo.

Art Lussi explained that the meeting was being recorded and a link to the recording would be made available at www.orda.org.

Art Lussi then asked for a roll call, and confirmed a quorum was present.

Minutes: On a motion by Joe Zalewski, seconded by Steve Hunt, the minutes of the Board of Directors meeting held on May 9, 2025, were approved without change. Billy Jones and Gigi Loizzo abstained from voting on account of not being present at the meeting held on May 9, 2025.

New Business: Resolutions:

#561 Resolution Appointing a Contracting Officer for the Purpose of Property Disposition

On a motion by Diane Munro, seconded by Betty Little.

9 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstained, Resolution #561 adopted.

#556 Resolution Approving Policy Makers for 2025/2026

On a motion by Jenn Holderied, seconded by Betty Little.

9 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstained, Resolution #556 adopted.

#557 Resolution Adopting Certain Policies and Procedures

On a motion by Diane Munro, seconded by Betty Little.

9 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstained, Resolution #557 adopted.

#558 Resolution Approving and Adopting the Olympic Authority's Mission Statement and Performance Measurements

On a motion by Steve Hunt, seconded by Diane Munro.

9 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstained, Resolution #558 adopted.

#559 Resolution Approving Independent Auditor's Report

On a motion by Betty Little, seconded by Steve Hunt.

9 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstained, Resolution #559 adopted.

#560 Resolution Approving Olympic Regional Development Authority Annual Report

On a motion by Jenn Holderied, seconded by Billy Jones.

9 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstained, Resolution #560 adopted.

#562 Resolution Committing Capital and Granting Approval for the President & CEO to Enter Into an Agreement for the Purchase of a Cable Skidder for Gore Mountain

On a motion by Betty Little, seconded by Diane Munro.

9 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstained, Resolution #562 adopted.

#563 Resolution Committing Capital and Granting Approval for the President & CEO to Enter Into an Agreement for the Purchase of Snowgrooming Equipment

On a motion by Diane Munro, seconded by Betty Little.

9 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstained, Resolution #563 adopted.

#564 Resolution Committing Capital and Granting Approval for the President & CEO to Enter Into an Agreement for the Purchase of Snowmaking Equipment

On a motion by Diane Munro, seconded by Betty Little.

9 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstained, Resolution #564 adopted.

Chair:

Art Lussi announced that the meeting's business had concluded.

Adjournment:

On a motion by Steve Hunt, seconded by Billy Jones, and unanimously carried, the meeting of the Olympic Regional Development Authority Board of Directors was adjourned at 2:05 p.m.



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Resolution #565

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE CHAIR'S APPOINTMENTS TO COMMITTEES OF THE OLYMPIC AUTHORITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS

At a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Olympic Regional Development Authority ("Olympic Authority") held on September 19, 2025, the Chair offered the following resolution:

WHEREAS, pursuant to both Public Authorities Law § 2824 (4) and the Olympic Authority By-Laws, Article II, Section 3, the Olympic Authority Board is required to have an Audit Committee that consists of at least three members whose duties and functions include the responsibility for recommending to the Board the hiring of an independent auditor and overseeing the annual audit process; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Public Authorities Law § 2824 (7), the Olympic Authority Board is required to have a Governance Committee comprised of at least three members whose duties and functions include the responsibility of keeping the Board informed of current best governance practices and recommending updates to the Olympic Authority's corporate governance principles; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Olympic Authority By-Laws, Article II, Section 4, the Olympic Authority Board Chair is authorized to establish other committees and select their members; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Olympic Authority By-Laws, Article II, Sections 1 and 4, the Chair is to appoint the chairperson and members of the Board Committees, subject to approval by the Board; and

WHEREAS, there have been recent adjustments to the membership of the Board of Directors; and

WHEREAS, the Chair is recommending that all Board Committees be updated to the following:

Audit Committee:

- Billy Jones – Chair
- Bill Beaney
- Elinor Tatum
- Jenn Holderied
- Joe Martens
- Joe Zalewski

Governance Committee:

- Chris Pushkarsh – Chair
- Steve Hunt
- Art Lussi



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Resolution #566

**RESOLUTION COMMITTING OPERATING FUNDS AND GRANTING
APPROVAL FOR THE PRESIDENT & CEO TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENTS
FOR POLICIES OF INSURANCE**

At a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Olympic Regional Development Authority (“Olympic Authority”) held on September 19, 2025, the Chair offered the following resolution:

WHEREAS, pursuant to Public Authorities Law § 2611 (7), the Olympic Authority is authorized to enter into contracts and execute all instruments necessary or convenient for the conduct of authority business; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Public Authorities Law § 2611 (15) the Olympic Authority is authorized to procure insurance against any loss or liability in connection with the use, management, maintenance, and operation of the Olympic Authority venues; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article III, Section 2, of the Olympic Authority By-Laws, the Executive Committee shall assume the responsibility for recommending to the Board an adequate program of insurance; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article III, Section A, Subsection 1, of the Executive Committee Charter, it is the responsibility of the Executive Committee to review the scope and terms of the Olympic Authority’s insurance policies and liability coverage on an annual basis, and based on such review recommend a program that includes policies of insurance for comprehensive general liability, property, auto, and such other programs of insurance as are necessary to address the Olympic Authority’s legal and operational needs, and the Olympic Authorities obligations under its agreements with other governmental and nongovernmental entities; and

WHEREAS, at a duly called meeting of the Executive Committee held on September 19, 2025, the Executive Committee recommended the approval of policies of insurance for Abuse and Molestation, Auto, Commercial Property, Comprehensive General Liability, Crime, Directors and Officers Liability, Drone, Equipment Breakdown, Pollution Liability, Health Insurance for Olympic Authority employees and retirees, Kidnap and Ransom, Museum, NY Fire Surcharge, Property/Inland Marine, Umbrella, and Workers’ Compensation; and

WHEREAS, the Olympic Authority desires to enter into agreements for the above insurance coverage; and

WHEREAS, the anticipated cost of most premiums will fall below \$250,000.00 and others will exceed \$250,000.00; and

WHEREAS, the policies of insurance will be obtained through a competitive process that is designed to obtain the best insurance products for the Olympic Authority’s interests at the most competitive prices available; and

WHEREAS, based on the recommendation of the Executive Committee, the President & CEO has requested that the Board commit the requisite operating funds to enter into the policies of insurance set forth above; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Olympic Authority’s By-Laws, Art. VI § 2, which requires that the President & CEO obtain Board approval prior to entering into agreements the value of



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Resolution #567

**RESOLUTION COMMITTING OPERATING FUNDS AND GRANTING APPROVAL
FOR THE PRESIDENT & CEO TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT FOR
PROFESSIONAL AUDITING SERVICES**

At a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Olympic Regional Development Authority (“Olympic Authority”) held on September 19, 2025, the Chair offered the following resolution:

WHEREAS, pursuant to Public Authorities Law § 2611, the Olympic Authority has the power to enter into contracts and to execute all instruments necessary or convenient to conduct the business of the Olympic Authority; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Public Authorities Law § 2925, the Olympic Authority is required to provide the results of a publicly available annual independent audit report; and

WHEREAS, the Olympic Authority complies with this requirement through the retention of an independent auditor through a professional services contract; and

WHEREAS, the Olympic Authority’s current contract for auditing services expired on June 30, 2025; and

WHEREAS, on July 1, 2025, the Olympic Authority published an Invitation for Bids (“IFB”) for auditing services in the New York State Contract Reporter and on the Olympic Authority’s website; and

WHEREAS, submissions from professional auditing firms in response to the IFB were evaluated by a review committee comprised of the Olympic Authority’s Director of Finance, designated staff members, and the Board Chair (collectively, the “IFB Committee”), and the IFB Committee identified EFPR Group, CPAs, PLLC as offering the best value to the Olympic Authority for professional auditing services; and

WHEREAS, the proposed scope of auditing services by EFPR Group, CPAs, PLLC includes, among other things, an objective review and annual report in accordance with Public Authorities Law § 2925, to contain: (i) a description of the scope and objectives of the audit; (ii) a statement that the audit was conducted in accordance with generally accepted government auditing standards for financial and compliance audits; (iii) an opinion as to whether such statements are presented fairly, in all material respects; (iv) a description of any material weaknesses identified in internal controls; (v) a description of any noncompliance with the Olympic Authority’s investment policies, applicable laws, regulations, and the State Comptroller’s investment guideline requirements; (vi) a statement of positive assurance of compliance on items tested; and (vii) disclosure of any other material deficiencies or findings identified during the audit (collectively, the “Services”); and

Renee Fitzgerald, Secretary to the Board, being duly sworn, deposes and says:

The above Resolution #567 was duly passed by the Board of Directors on September 19, 2025.

Signature: _____

Title: Secretary to the Board of Directors

Sworn to before me this _____ day of September, 2025.

Notary Public, State of New York



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Resolution #568

**RESOLUTION COMMITTING OPERATING FUNDS AND AUTHORIZING THE
PRESIDENT & CEO TO ENTER INTO ELECTRICITY SUPPLY AGREEMENTS FOR
BELLEAYRE MOUNTAIN, GORE MOUNTAIN, AND WHITEFACE MOUNTAIN**

At a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Olympic Regional Development Authority (“Olympic Authority”) held on September 19, 2025, the Chair offered the following resolution:

WHEREAS the Olympic Authority currently has agreements for the supply of electricity to Belleayre Mountain, Gore Mountain, and Whiteface Mountain; and

WHEREAS, due to a highly volatile futures market, the Olympic Authority will seek to enter into electricity supply contracts at the point at which it can be recommended that the rates in such contracts will provide the best value to the Olympic Authority and, further, that said contracts will include such beneficial terms to the Olympic Authority as net utility billing to allow for the application of solar credits and net 30-day payments, and the purchase of green energy to support the New York State renewable energy and carbon reduction targets; and

WHEREAS, once pricing is determined, it could be available for less than twenty-four (24) hours in which case the President & CEO must be ready and have the authority to act on its availability by entering into new contracts at that time; and

WHEREAS, the President & CEO has requested the authority to negotiate and execute such electricity supply contracts at the point at which the Olympic Authority has been able to obtain the best value for its electricity needs at each mountain without having to wait until the next meeting of the Board to obtain approval to do so; and

WHEREAS, the projected value of each electricity supply contract will be in excess of \$250,000.00; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Olympic Authority’s By-Laws, Art. VI § 2, which requires that the President & CEO obtain Board approval prior to entering into agreements the value of which will be in excess of \$250,000.00 over the life of the contract, the President & CEO has requested the authority to enter into the proposed electric supply contracts for the Olympic Authority;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors hereby authorizes the expenditure of funds and commits the operating funds necessary for the electricity supply contracts for Belleayre Mountain, Gore Mountain, and Whiteface Mountain, as is described more fully herein; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Directors hereby authorizes the President & CEO to enter into the proposed energy supply contracts under the circumstances provided for herein.

SO RESOLVED,

MOVED BY: _____



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Resolution #569

**RESOLUTION COMMITTING CAPITAL AND AUTHORIZING THE PRESIDENT &
CEO TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENTS FOR
THE 128 METER SKI JUMP TOWER IMPROVEMENT PROJECT**

At a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Olympic Regional Development Authority (“Olympic Authority”) held on September 19, 2025, the Chair offered the following resolution:

WHEREAS, as part of the Olympic Authority’s continuing efforts to provide upgrades and improvements to the Olympic Authority facilities that are necessary to ensure the continued success of the Olympic Authority operations, the Olympic Authority proposes preliminary improvements to the outside decks of the 128 meter ski jump tower (the “Project”); and

WHEREAS, the Project will necessitate the Olympic Authority entering into contracts for the materials, services, and work necessary to construct the Project; and

WHEREAS, as a result, multiple contracts for design and/or construction will be required to complete the Project, with the possibility of one or more contracts exceeding the amount of \$250,000.00; and

WHEREAS, the procurement of the contracts will be carried out in accordance with the State Finance Law, Public Authorities Law, Economic Development Law, and the Olympic Authority’s Procurement Guidelines, and notice of all contract awards will be posted in the New York State Contract Reporter as applicable and required by the Economic Development Law; and

WHEREAS, the anticipated cost of the Project is approximately \$500,000.00; and

WHEREAS, the President & CEO has requested that the Board commit the requisite capital for the Project; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Olympic Authority’s By-Laws, Art. VI § 2, which requires that the President & CEO obtain Board approval prior to entering into agreements the value of which will be in excess of \$250,000.00 over the life of the contract, the President & CEO has requested the authority to enter into the proposed contracts to ensure timely completion of the Project;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors hereby authorizes the expenditure of funds and commits the capital for Project as is described more fully herein; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Directors hereby authorizes the President & CEO to enter into the proposed contracts under the circumstances and upon the terms and amounts provided for herein.

SO RESOLVED,

MOVED BY: _____



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Resolution #570

**RESOLUTION COMMITTING CAPITAL AND AUTHORIZING THE PRESIDENT &
CEO TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENTS FOR THE 1980 HERB BROOKS ARENA
IMPROVEMENT PROJECT**

At a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Olympic Regional Development Authority (“Olympic Authority”) held on September 19, 2025, the Chair offered the following resolution:

WHEREAS, as part of the Olympic Authority’s continuing efforts to provide upgrades and improvements to the Olympic Authority facilities that are necessary to ensure the continued success of the Olympic Authority operations, the Olympic Authority proposes to construct the 1980 Herb Brooks Arena Improvement Project, which includes the addition of two (2) LED ribbon board displays at each endzone of the Rink and a LED video display board that supplements the existing scoreboard, together with the associated control system (the “Project”); and

WHEREAS, the Project will necessitate the Olympic Authority entering into contracts for the materials, services, and work necessary to construct the Project; and

WHEREAS, as a result, multiple contracts for design and/or construction will be required to complete the Project, with the possibility of one or more contracts exceeding the amount of \$250,000.00; and

WHEREAS, the procurement of the contracts will be carried out in accordance with the State Finance Law, Public Authorities Law, Economic Development Law, and the Olympic Authority’s Procurement Guidelines, and notice of all contract awards will be posted in the New York State Contract Reporter as applicable and required by the Economic Development Law; and

WHEREAS, the anticipated cost of the Project is approximately \$880,500.00; and

WHEREAS, the President & CEO has requested that the Board commit the requisite capital for the Project; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Olympic Authority’s By-Laws, Art. VI § 2, which requires that the President & CEO obtain Board approval prior to entering into agreements the value of which will be in excess of \$250,000.00 over the life of the contract, the President & CEO has requested the authority to enter into the proposed contracts to ensure timely completion of the Project;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors hereby authorizes the expenditure of funds and commits the capital for Project as is described more fully herein; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Directors hereby authorizes the President & CEO to enter into the proposed contracts under the circumstances and upon the terms and amounts provided for herein.

SO RESOLVED,

MOVED BY: _____

SECONDED BY: _____

and

ADOPTED BY the following vote:

In Favor:	Excused/Abstained:	Against:
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Renee Fitzgerald, Secretary to the Board, being duly sworn, deposes and says:

The above Resolution #570 was duly passed by the Board of Directors on September 19, 2025.

Signature: _____

Title: Secretary to the Board of Directors

Sworn to before me this ____ day of September, 2025.

Notary Public, State of New York



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Resolution #571

**RESOLUTION COMMITTING CAPITAL AND GRANTING APPROVAL FOR THE
PRESIDENT & CEO TO ENTER INTO AN AMENDMENT TO THE AGREEMENT
WITH THE LAKE PLACID OLYMPIC MUSEUM**

At a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Olympic Regional Development Authority (“Olympic Authority”) held on September 19, 2025, the Chair offered the following resolution:

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 2611 of the Public Authorities Law, the Olympic Authority is empowered to enter into contracts and to execute all instruments necessary or convenient for the conduct of Olympic Authority business, and to do all things necessary, convenient, or desirable to carry out its purposes; and

WHEREAS, the Lake Placid Olympic Museum’s (“LPOM”) mission is to educate the world about the Olympic movement and Lake Placid's rich winter sports history in order to promote the values of the Olympic Games to the broadest possible audience; and

WHEREAS, since the end of the 1980 Olympic Winter Games, LPOM has overseen the operation of a museum in Lake Placid, New York (hereinafter, the “Olympic Museum”); and

WHEREAS, since 1994 the Olympic Museum has operated in space provided by the Olympic Authority at the Olympic Center located at 2634 Main Street, Lake Placid, New York 12946 (hereinafter, the “Olympic Center”); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to and in accordance with Board Resolution #430 adopted by the Board of Directors on August 20, 2021, which approved a new twenty-five year agreement between the Olympic Authority and LPOM (“Agreement”), in December of 2022 the Olympic Museum took occupancy of the new museum space and exhibits (“New Museum”) that were constructed as part of the Olympic Center renovation;

WHEREAS, keeping exhibits, displays, and information current increases attendance and attracts repeat visitors; and

WHEREAS, in furtherance of this need, LPOM has pursued an exhibit titled “Snow on Demand” which explores the urgent connection between climate change and the future of the Olympic Winter Games by highlighting the Olympic Authority’s commitment to sustainability, innovative technologies, and leadership in preserving winter sports culture, and addresses this globally relevant issue through a scientific lens that engages and appeals to audiences of all ages; and

WHEREAS, LPOM has obtained a proposal from the designer of the New Museum for the new exhibit in the amount of \$447,133.00; and

WHEREAS, the Olympic Authority and LPOM desire to amend the support provided by the Olympic Authority to LPOM as set forth in the Agreement to facilitate the funding of the new exhibit; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Olympic Authority’s By-Laws, Art. VI § 2, which requires that the President & CEO obtain Board approval prior to entering into agreements the value of which will be in excess of \$250,000.00 over the life of the contract, the President & CEO has requested authority to enter into the amendment to Agreement between the Olympic Authority and LPOM; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors hereby authorizes the expenditure of funds and commits the capital for the new exhibit as is described more fully herein; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Directors hereby authorizes the President & CEO to execute the proposed amendment to Agreement under the circumstances and incorporating the terms described above.

SO RESOLVED,

MOVED BY: _____

SECONDED BY: _____

and

ADOPTED BY the following vote:

In Favor:	Excused/Abstained:	Against:
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Renee Fitzgerald, Secretary to the Board, being duly sworn, deposes and says:

The above Resolution #571 was duly passed by the Board of Directors on September 19, 2025.

Signature: _____

Title: Secretary to the Board of Directors

Sworn to before me this _____ day of September, 2025.

Notary Public, State of New York