



School District of the City of Highland Park

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Zoom Phone Conference

Tuesday, August 18, 2020

6:00pm

APPROVED MINUTES

- **Call to Order-** Meeting was called to order by Janet White, President at 6:07 PM.

Roll Call- Janet Spight White, President / Linda G. Wheeler, Secretary, / Lorne McGee, Member/ Shamayim Harris, Member/ Cheryl Sanford, Member, Alexis Ramsey, Vice President (arrived at 6:14 PM)

QUORUM

- **Approve Board of Education Agenda**

President White entertained a motion to approve the Board of Education Agenda. So moved by member Wheeler, seconded by member McGee. Roll call vote: Janet Spight White **Yes**, Linda G. Wheeler **Yes**, Lorne McGee **Yes**, Cheryl Sanford **Yes**, Shamayim Harris **Yes** – **MOTION PASSES**

- **Communication**

Discussion – Shirley Girl's Foundation proposed September 5th School Supply Give-a-way at Barber Prep. Academy. (Will be handled by the PSA Board)

Alexis Ramsey – Free COVID-19 testing on Saturday, August 22, 2020 at the Highland Park Recreation Ctr.

- **Public Comments (Agenda Items Only 2 minutes)**

- **New Business**

- **Unfinished Business**

Vote for Selection of BOE candidates (Anthony Askew and Marielle Bersche) to fill Board vacancy

Vice President, Ramsey made a motion to elect Anthony Askew to fill the board vacancy, term ending December 31, 2020, supported by member McGee. Roll call vote: Janet Spight White **Yes**, Linda G. Wheeler **Yes**, Lorne McGee **Yes**, Alexis Ramsey, **Yes**, Cheryl Sanford **Yes**, Shamayim Harris **Yes** – **MOTION PASSES**

Member, McGee made a motion to invite Marielle Bersche for a seat on the Board of Directors, supported by Vice President, Ramsey. Roll call vote: Janet Spight White **Yes**, Linda G. Wheeler **Yes**, Lorne McGee **Yes**, Alexis Ramsey, **Yes**, Cheryl Sanford **Yes**, Shamayim Harris **Yes** – **MOTION PASSES**

*Vice President, Ramsey makes note that her decision is based on the Board's majority vote since she was not present at the meeting for candidate interviews.

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•District Department Reports

Nora Contracting provides an update on the Media Center Renovation

Discussion on renovations, asbestos abatement, and costs for the BPA Media Center

•Board of Education Affairs

Board of Education invited to present at the City Council Workshop, September 8, 2020

Discussion

Vice President, Ramsey entertained a motion that the BOD decide on renovations to the bathroom facilities at Barber Preparatory Academy no later than August 28, 2020, seconded by Secretary, Wheeler, Roll call vote: Janet Spight White **Yes**, Linda G. Wheeler **Yes**, Lorne McGee **Yes**, Alexis Ramsey, **Yes**, Cheryl Sanford **Yes**, Shamayim Harris **Yes** – **MOTION PASSES**

Discussion

•Public Comments (3 minutes)

Zakia Gibson on behalf of Mark Anthony, congratulates new appointed BOE member, Anthony Askew

•Adjournment

President White entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:29 PM, So moved by member, Harris seconded by member Sanford, All in favor, Roll call vote: Janet Spight White **Yes**, Linda G. Wheeler **Yes**, Cheryl Sanford **Yes**, Lorne McGee **Yes**, Shamayim Harris **Yes**. – **MOTION PASSES**

Respectfully submitted: Caneia Taylor, District Secretary

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