



**REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**Held at:** 45 East Buena Vista Street  
Highland Park, MI 48203-3322

Thursday, November 10, 2022  
6:00PM

**PROPOSED MINUTES**

• **CALL TO ORDER** –

Meeting was called to order by President Shamayim Harris @ 6:04 PM

• **ROLL CALL** –

Present: Mark Ashley Price, Member / Lorne McGee, Treasurer / Linda G. Wheeler, Member / Cheryl Sanford, Secretary / Janet Spight -White, Vice President/ Shamayim Harris, President

Absent: Anthony Askew, Member

**QUORUM**

**MOMENT OF REFLECTION**

**PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

Members of the Board of Education will strive to improve education by Putting Children First. To that end, Board Members will remember that their first and greatest concern must be for the educational welfare of the students attending Barber Preparatory Academy.

**COMMUNICATIONS**

None.

• **APPROVE REGULAR MEETING AGENDA**

**Motion to Approve the Meeting Agenda:**

President Harris entertained a motion to approve the Board of Education Agenda, so moved by Member Wheeler, seconded by Vice-President Spight-White.

**Discussion:** None.

**Roll call vote:** Mark Ashley Price – Yes, Linda Wheeler – Yes, Cheryl Sanford – Yes, Lorne McGee – Yes, Janet

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Spight-White – Yes, Shamayim Harris—Yes  
**MOTION PASSES: 6-0**

• **PUBLIC COMMENTS (Agenda Items 3 Minutes Only)** – None

• **Presentation(s) (10 Minutes)**

Alisha Moss, Hosey & Associates –  
(Re: Ford School – Feasibility Study Completion)

• **APPROVE MEETING MINUTES**

**Motion to Approve October 13, 2022 Regular Meeting Minutes:**

President Harris entertained a motion to approve the meeting minutes, so moved by Member Wheeler, seconded by Member Sanford.

**Discussion:** None

**Roll call vote:** Mark Ashley Price – Yes, Linda Wheeler – Yes, Cheryl Sanford – Yes, Lorne McGee – Yes, Janet Spight- White – Yes, Shamayim Harris -- Yes

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• **DISTRICT DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

**Finances**

Alan C. Young & Associates, P.C.

Alan C. Young, CPA

(Presenter: Luska German, FCCA)

- Presentation of September 2022  
Luska German reported on district financial statements, cash position fund balances deficit reductions and debt payments for October 2022 and answered questions.

**Public Relations & Marketing**

Edge Marketing Firm

Lori Rishar, Director of Public Relations & Marketing

(Presenter: Gianna Ferraro)

- Gianna Ferraro presented October 2022 updates to website, marketing activity and social media engagement, community photos, and Parker Village magazine.

**Education & Charter School Compliance**

Zakia Gibson, Ed.D., Chief Education Officer

- CEO and Charter School Compliance Report  
CEO Gibson presented reports on Epicenter, Huntington Bank financial contribution, upcoming holiday events

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6:54 PM- Member Price exits

6:58 PM- Member Price returns

Anistia Thomas, HPPSAS BOD President

- HPPSAS Board of Directors Update

Pam Farris, ACCEL Schools & Interim BPA Principal

- Barber Preparatory Academy Update  
Pamela Farris discussed student enrollment, the new student cell phone policy, academic assessments, the interview process of hiring a new principal, the BPA girls' basketball team

- **BOARD OF EDUCATION SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Finance Committee Report

Chairperson: Lorne McGee

Presented budget performance and discussed operating debt, financial repayment of debts, and investments

Highland Park School District High School Sub-Committee and Community Advisory Report

Chairperson: Anthony Askew – Absent

Board Policy and Bylaws Sub-Committee Report

Chairperson: Janet Spight-White

Reported on policies and bylaws

Fundraising Committee

Chairperson: Linda Wheeler

Discussed the Gloves, Hats, and Coats Drive and the Joy Toy event

Beautification Ad Hoc Sub-Committee Report

Chairperson: Janet Spight-White discussed planting at Barber Prep

7:27 PM- Member Price exited

7:31 PM- Member Price returned

- **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

None

- **NEW BUSINESS**

**Motion to Approve October 2022 Financial Statements**

President Harris entertained a motion to approve the October 2022 financial statements, so moved by Vice-President Spight-White, seconded by Member Wheeler.

**Discussion:** None

**Roll Call Vote:** Mark Price- **Yes**, Linda Wheeler-**Yes**, Cheryl Sanford-**Yes**, Lorne McGee-**Yes**, Janet Spight-White-**Yes**, Shamayim Harris-**Yes**

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***MOTION PASSES: 6-0***

**Discussion:** None

**BOARD OF EDUCATION AFFAIRS & COMMENTS**

President Harris congratulated the members who were reseated on the Board.

For the Record: Member Price stated his respect and love for President Harris although they did not always agree.

Member Wheeler suggested a raise in the Board members stipend.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS (3 COMMENTS)**

Khursheed Ash-Shafii asked about 20/30 Bartlett

• **ADJOURNMENT** –

President Harris entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:16 PM, so moved by Member Wheeler, and seconded by Member Sanford.

**Roll Call Vote:** Mark Price- **Yes**, Linda Wheeler-**Yes**, Cheryl Sanford-**Yes**, Lorne McGee-**Yes**, Janet Spight-White-**Yes**, Shamayim Harris-**Yes**

***MOTION PASSES: 6-0***

Respectfully submitted: Cheryl Sanford, Board Secretary.