



**SPECIAL MEETING  
OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION**

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

Tuesday, May 16, 2023  
4:00PM

**APPROVED MINUTES**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Meeting was called to order by President Askew @ 6:05 PM

**ROLL CALL** –

Present: Mark Ashley Price, Member /Doris Harris, Member/ / Linda G. Wheeler, Member /  
Secretary & Sergeant-at Arms/ Lorne McGee, Treasurer/ Janet Spight -White, Vice President/  
Absent: Anthony Askew, President

**QUORUM**

**MOMENT OF REFLECTION**

**PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

Vice-President Janet Spight-White asked for a moment of silence for the former Highland Park students who perished in an automobile accident and for Cheryl Martin's family member.

**COMMUNICATIONS**

None.

**APPROVE MEETING AGENDA**

Vice-President Spight-White entertained a motion to approve the meeting agenda. CEO Gibson asked for two items to be added to the agenda, with the Board's approval.

**Discussion:** CEO Gibson asked for two items to be added to the agenda, with the Board's approval.

**MOTION TO APPROVE AMENDED AGENDA**

Vice-President Spight-White entertained a motion to amend the meeting agenda, so moved by Member Harris, seconded by Member Price.

**Discussion:** Members discussed the motion.

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

**MOTION PASSES: 6-0**

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

**COMMENTS FROM THE CEO**

CEO Gibson spoke to the Board of Education on Wayne RESA Elections and Contractor Contracts and Attorney Contactor Privilege.

Vice-President Janet Spight-White will be representing the HPSD BOE.

4:22 PM- Member Sanford exited.

4:25 PM- Member Sanford returned.

5:00 PM- President Askew entered,

**Motion to Go Into Closed Session**

President Askew entertained a motion to go into closed session, so moved by Member Price, seconded by Member McGee.

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

**MOTION PASSES: 7-0**

**Motion to Come Out of Closed Session**

President Askew entertained a motion to come out of closed session.

**PRESENTATION(S) (10 MINUTES)**

Contractors presented their contracts to the Board.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Motion to Amend the Resolution Designating HPSD Wayne RESA Election Representative, Janet Spight-White or Alternate, Lorne McGee to Cast Votes for WRESA Board Candidates Mary Blackmon and Danielle Funderburg**

President Askew entertained a motion to amend the Resolution designating HPSD Wayne RESA Election Representative Janet Spight-White or Alternate, Lorne McGee to cast votes for WRESA Board candidates, Mary Blackmon and Danielle Funderburg, so moved by Member Wheeler, seconded by Member Price.

**Discussion:** None

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

**MOTION PASSES: 7-0**

**Motion to Approve the Amended Resolution Designating HPSD Wayne RESA Election Representative, Janet Spight-White or Alternate, Lorne McGee to Cast Votes for WRESA Board Candidates Mary Blackmon and Danielle Funderburg**

President Askew entertained a motion to approve the amended Resolution designating HPSD Wayne RESA Election Representative Janet Spight-White or alternate, Lorne McGee to cast votes for WRESA Board candidates Mary Blackmon and Danielle Funderburg, so moved by Member Harris, seconded by Member Price.

**Discussion: None**

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

**MOTION PASSES: 7-0**

**Motion to Advance Charter Request Application received on May 9, 2023 to Phase II**

President Askew entertained a motion to advance Charter Request Application received on May 9, 2023 To Phase II, so moved by Member Harris, seconded by Member McGee.

**Discussion: None**

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

**MOTION PASSES: 7-0**

**BOARD OF EDUCATION AFFAIRS & COMMENTS**

Vice-President Janet-Spight-White – Parker Parade

President Askew- Congratulations to Sigma Academy moving to Phase II

**PUBLIC COMMENTS (3 Minutes Only)**

Dr. Reginald Kirkland - Sigma Academy

Dr. Phyllis A. Noda – Sigma Academy

**ADJOURNMENT**

President Askew entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:50 PM, so moved by Member Harris

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

**MOTION PASSES: 7-0**

Respectfully submitted: Cheryl Sanford, Board Secretary.