



**SPECIAL MEETING  
OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION**

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

Friday, May 26, 2023  
4:00PM

**APPROVED MINUTES**

• **CALL TO ORDER** –

Meeting was called to order by Vice-President Spight-White @ 4:08 PM

• **ROLL CALL** –

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

**QUORUM**

**MOMENT OF REFLECTION**

**PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

**COMMUNICATIONS**

None.

• **APPROVE SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA**

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

**Discussion:** None

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

**MOTION PASSES: 5-0**

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

**OLD BUSINESS**

Contractor Contracts  
BPA Security Updates  
Charter Applicant: Phase II, Interview

**PRESENTATION**

Sigma Academy

**Motion to Go Into Closed Session @ 9PM**

Vice- President Spight-White entertained a motion to go into closed session, so moved by Member Wheeler, seconded by Member Price.

**Discussion:** No

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

**MOTION PASSES: 5-0**

**Motion to Come Out of Closed Session @ 9:43PM**

Vice-President Spight-White entertained a motion to come out of closed session @ 9:43 PM so moved by Member Price, seconded by Member Wheeler.

**Discussion:** None

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

**MOTION PASSES: 5-0**

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Motion to add New Business to The Agenda**

Vice-President entertained a motion to add New Business to the agenda, so moved by Member Sanford, seconded by Member Price.

**Discussion:** None

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

**MOTION PASSES: 5-0**

**Motion to Approve Adding New Contracts, Censuring Doris Harris, and Authorizing Sigma Academy to the Agenda**

Vice-President Spight-White entertained a motion to approve adding new contracts, censoring Doris Harris, and Authorizing Sigma Academy to the agenda, so moved by Member Sanford, seconded by Member Price.

**Discussion:** Members discussed the motion.

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

**MOTION PASSES: 5-0**

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The School District of the City of Highland Park 5.26.2023

**Motion to Approve All Vendor Contracts**

Vice-President Spight-White entertained a motion to approve all vendor contracts, so moved by Member Sanford, seconded by Member Price.

**Discussion:** Members discussed the motion

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

**MOTION PASSES: 5-0**

**Motion to Censure Doris Harris, Withhold Compensation Until January 2024, Removal From Two (2)Chaired Sub-Committees and Restrict Access to District Staff**

Vice-President Spight-White entertained a motion to censure Doris Harris, withhold compensation until January 2024, and removal from two (2) chaired sub-committees and restrict access to District staff, so moved by Member Wheeler, seconded by Member Price.

**Discussion:** Members discussed the motion.

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

**MOTION PASSES: 5-0**

**Motion to Authorize Sigma Academy**

Vice-President Spight-White entertained a motion to authorize Sigma Academy, so moved by Member Sanford, seconded by Member Price.

**Discussion:** Members discussed the motion.

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

**MOTION PASSES: 5-0**

**Motion to Change the June 6th Business Meeting to a Regular Meeting**

Vice-President Spight-White entertained a motion to change the June 6th business meeting to a regular meeting, so moved by Member Price, seconded by Member McGee.

**Discussion:** Members discussed the motion.

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

**MOTION PASSES: 5-0**

**BOARD OF EDUCATION AFFAIRS & COMMENT**

None

**PUBLIC COMMENTS (3 MINUTES ONLY)**

None

**ADJOURNMENT** –

Vice- President Spight-White entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:24 PM, so moved by Member Price, seconded by Member Sanford.

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

**MOTION PASSES: 5-0**

Respectfully submitted: Cheryl Sanford, Board Secretary.