



PUBLIC NOTICE OF A REGULAR MEETING
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE OF A REGULAR MEETING FOR
THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF HIGHLAND PARK SCHOOL DISTRICT

DATE OF MEETING: October 1, 2024

LOCATION OF MEETING: Barber Preparatory Academy (In Person)
45 E. Buena Vista St.
Highland Park, MI 48203

TIME OF MEETING: 6:00 p.m.

TELEPHONE NUMBER OF THE PRINCIPAL OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION: 313-402-0266

THE BOARD MINUTES ARE LOCATED AND AVAILABLE FOR INSPECTION AT THE HPSD OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION: 12360 Woodward Avenue
Highland Park, MI 48203

PURPOSE: A Regular Board of Education Meeting;
Closed Session: Discussion of Purchase of Property (Proposal)

Linda Wheeler, Secretary
Board of Education

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MISSION STATEMENT: *To provide a high-quality public education that assures students will receive a comprehensive learning experience which prepares them to compete in a global 21st century society.*



THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF THE CITY OF HIGHLAND PARK
12360 Woodward Avenue Highland
Park, Michigan
48203-3322

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Janet Spight-White, President

Doris Harris, Vice President

Linda Wheeler, Secretary

Lorne McGee, Treasurer

Mark Ashley-Price, Member

Anthony Askew, Member

Cheryl Sanford, Member

Isaiah Pettway, Chief Operating
Officer

Joseph Urban, Esq., Board
Attorney

Barber Preparatory Academy

45 E. Buena Vista Street

Highland Park, MI 48203

October 2, 2024, 6:00pm

- Call to Order
- Roll Call
- Communications
 - (1.) Parker Village Magazine
 - (2.) Letter of Suspension-Simple Computers
- Approve Meeting Agenda
- Public Comments (Agenda Items Only 3 minutes)
- Approve Meeting Minutes
 - (1) September 4, 2024
- District Department Reports and Information
 - (1) Edge Partnership-Lorri Rishar, CEO
 - (2) COO Isaiah Pettway

(3) Vice President, Accel Schools-Dr. Farris

(4) Finance-Alan C. Young, PC.

(Presenter: Luska German, FCCA)

- Q&A September Financials
- Motion to approve September Financials

- **Board of Education Sub-Committee Reports**

- (1.) Activities Committee

- **Unfinished Business**

- (1.) Contract Amendment-COO/CEO Contractual Agreement

- **New Business**

- (1.) MASB Summer Institute Presentation-Vice President Doris Harris (10 Minutes)

- (2.) Dump-N-Go Estimate for removal of debris and securing Ford School.

- (3.) Board Governance/Oversight Report-Vanessa Gulley, Provision

- **Extended Public Comments (3 minutes only)**

- **Board of Education Affairs & Comments**

- **Closed Session**-Discussion of Purchase of Property (Proposal)

- **Confirmation of the Next Scheduled Meeting**

Regular Meeting: Wednesday, November 6, 2024 @6:00pm

- **Adjournment**

This meeting is a meeting of the Board of Education in public for the purpose of conducting the School District's business and is not to be considered a public community meeting. There is a time for public participation during the meeting as indicated in the agenda item.

The proposed minutes of this meeting will be available for public inspection at The School District of the City of Highland Park Central Office located at 12360 Woodward Avenue, Highland Park, MI 48203, eight (8) business days after the meeting. Approved minutes are available on the District's website within five (5) business days after the meeting at which they are approved.



**REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION**

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

Tuesday, October 1, 2024
6:00PM

APPROVED MINUTES

Call to Order –

Meeting was called to order by Janet Spight-White @ 6:08 PM

Roll Call –

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

QUORUM

Communications

Parker Village Magazine
Leaderboard Magazine
HPSD City Tour Itinerary
Letter of Suspension of Services – Simple Computers, LLC

Approve Meeting Agenda

Motion to Amend the Meeting Agenda to Add a Closed Session to Discuss the Legal Opinion of Counsel

President Spight-White entertained a motion to amend the meeting to add a closed session to discuss the legal opinion of counsel, so moved by Vice-President Harris, seconded by Member Price.

Discussion: Members discussed the motion.

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

MOTION PASSES: 7-0

Public Comments and Questions (Agenda Items 3 Minutes Only) - None

Approve Meeting Minutes

Motion to Approve the September 4, 2024, Regular Meeting Minutes

President Spight-White entertained a motion to approve the September 4, 2024, Special Regular Meeting Minutes, so moved by Vice-President Harris, seconded by Member Price.

Discussion: None

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

MOTION PASSES: 7-0

District Department Reports and Information

Edge Partnerships Report – Lorri Risher, CEO

Presenter: Emme Berry

HPSD Report - COO Isaiah Pettway, M.P.A., B.A.

Barber Preparatory Report- Dr. Pam Farris, VP Accel Schools

Finance – Alan C. Young, P.C.

Presenter – Luska German, FCCA

Q&A August Financials

Motion to Approve August Financials

President Spight-White entertained a motion to approve the August 2024 Financials, so moved by Vice-President Harris, seconded by Member Price.

Discussion: None

Roll call vote: Janet Spight-White - Yes, Doris Harris – No, Linda Wheeler - Yes, Lorne McGee- Yes, Mark Price - Yes, Anthony Askew-Yes

MOTION PASSES: 6-1

Board of Education Sub-Committee Reports

HPS BOE Activities Sub-Committee – Linda Wheeler, Chairperson

Unfinished Business

Contract Amendment- COO/CEO Contractual Agreement

Motion to Approve the Amended COO Contract and CEO Contractual Agreement

President Spight-White entertained a motion to approve the amended COO contract and CEO contractual agreement, so moved by Vice-President Harris, seconded by Member Price.

Discussion: Members discussed the motion. For the Record, CEO Pettway thanked the committee and expounded on what the future holds for the District.

Roll call vote: Janet Spight-White - Yes, Doris Harris – No, Linda Wheeler - Yes, Lorne McGee- Yes, Mark Price - Yes, Anthony Askew-Yes

MOTION PASSES: 6-1

New Business

MASB Summer Institute Presentation - Vice President Doris Harris

Dump-N-Go – Estimate for Removal of debris and securing Ford School

Motion to Empower CEO Isaiah Pettway to Select the Best Offer

President Spight-White entertained a motion to empower CEO Isaiah Pettway to select the best offer, so moved by Vice-President Harris, seconded by Member Price.

Discussion: Members discussed the motion. For the Record, CEO Pettway thanked the committee and expounded on what the future holds for the district.

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

MOTION PASSES: 7-0

Board Governance/ Oversight Report – Vanessa Gulley, Provision for Solutions

8:00PM – Member Wheeler Exited the Meeting

8:04PM - Member Wheeler Re-Entered the Meeting

8:06PM – Mark Price Exited the Meeting

8:11PM – Member Price Re-Entered the Meeting

Public Comments and Questions (3 Minutes Only) - None

BOE Affairs & Comments

Mark Price - Peace and love.

Doris Harris – Janet Spight White had changed; Thanked the Board for a peaceful meeting.

Closed Session

Motion to go into Closed Session for the Discussion of Purchase of Property (Proposal) and to Discuss the Legal Opinion of Counsel at 8:25 PM

President Spight-White entertained a motion to go into closed session for the discussion of purchase of property (proposal) and to discuss the legal opinion of counsel at 8:25 PM, so moved by Vice-President Harris, seconded by Member Price.

Discussion: Members discussed the motion.

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

MOTION PASSES: 7-0

8:30PM – Member McGee Exited the Meeting

Motion to come out of Closed Session @ 9:49 PM

President Spight-White entertained a motion to come out of closed session at 9:49pm, so moved by Vice-President Harris, seconded by Member Askew.

Discussion: None

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

MOTION PASSES: 6-0

Confirmation of Next Scheduled Meetings

Special Meeting: Friday, October 4, 2024 @ 11:00am

Regular Meeting: Wednesday, November 6, 2024 @ 6:00pm

Motion to Adjourn @ 9:50 PM

President Spight-White entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:50PM, so moved by Vice-President Harris, seconded by Member Askew.

Discussion: None

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

MOTION PASSES: 6-0

Respectfully submitted: Linda Wheeler, Board Secretary.