



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

DATE OF MEETING: October 11, 2024

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

TIME OF MEETING: 2:00 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: Special Meeting of the Board of Education

Linda Wheeler, Secretary
Board of Education

AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT NOTICE:

Any individual with a disability who require accommodations for participating or attending this meeting should contact the Board of Education at 313-402-0266 in advance of the meeting to request assistance.

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

SPECIAL 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 11, 2024, 2:00pm

- Call to Order
- Roll Call
- Approve Meeting Agenda
- Public Comments (Agenda Items Only 3 minutes)
- Approve Meeting Minutes
- (1) Special Meeting held October 4, 2024
- New Business
- (1) Resolution Authorizing Letter of Designation-David Tombly of Xanadu Real Estate Holdings, LLC.
- Extended Public Comments (3 minutes only)
- Board of Education Affairs & Comments

(1) Removal of Lorne McGee as Treasurer/All Ad-Hoc Committees

(2) Appointment of Board Treasurer

- **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.



The School District of the City of Highland Park

10.11.2024

**SPECIAL MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION**

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

Friday, October 11, 2024
2:00 PM

APPROVED MINUTES

Call to Order –

Meeting was called to order by Janet Spight-White @ 2:00PM

Roll Call –

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

Absent: Anthony Askew, Member

QUORUM

Approve Meeting Agenda

Motion to Approve the Meeting Agenda

President Spight-White entertained a motion to approve the meeting agenda, 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, Mark Price - Yes

MOTION PASSES: 4-0

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

Approve Meeting Minutes

Motion to Approve the October 4, 2024, Special Meeting Minutes

President Spight-White entertained a motion to approve the October 4, 2024, Special 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, Mark Price - Yes

MOTION PASSES: 4-0

2:08PM – Cheryl Sanford Entered the Meeting

New Business

Resolution Authorizing Letter of Designation – David Tomby of Xanadu Real Estate Holdings, LLC

2:35PM- Lorne McGee Entered the Meeting

Motion to Approve Resolution Authorizing Letter of Designation David Tomby of Xanadu Real Estate Holdings, LLC

President Spight-White entertained a motion to approve Resolution authorizing Letter of Designation- David Tomby of Xanadu Real Estate Holdings, LLC, so moved by Vice-President Harris, seconded by Member Price.

Discussion: Members discussed the motion.

Roll call vote: Janet Spight-White - No, Doris Harris – No, Linda Wheeler – No, Lorne McGee – No, Mark Price – No, Cheryl Sanford- No

MOTION FAILS: 6-0

Motion to for the BOE Create an Exploratory Sub-Committee to Examine David Tomby and Xanadu Real Estate Holdings, LLC

President Spight-White entertained a motion for the BOE to create an exploratory sub-committee to examine David Tomby and Xanadu Real Estate Holdings, LLC, 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

MOTION PASSES: 6-0

Extended Public Comments (3 minutes only)

Alexis Ramsey – Good idea for the Board to create an exploratory sub-committee when it comes to the development of a new school; Clarified that Chief Tomby has not met with State Rep. McFall and his team.

BOE Affairs & Comments

Mark Price - Peace and love to everyone and Highland Park

Doris Harris – Glad that the Board came together; Thanked CEO Pettway; Thanked Alexis Ramsey about vetting people who want to do business in Highland Park.

Removal of Lorne McGee as Treasurer/All Ad-Hoc Committees

President Janet Spight-White read into the record the Resolution to remove Lorne McGee as Treasurer of the Highland

Park School District Board of Education

Motion to Remove Lorne McGee as Treasurer / All Ad-Hoc Committees

President Spight-White entertained a motion to remove Lorne McGee as treasurer/ all ad-hoc committees, so moved by Vice-President Harris, seconded by Member Price

Discussion: Members discussed the motion. Lorne McGee read a prepared speech and left the meeting ranting.

3:10PM- Lorne McGee Exited the Meeting

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

MOTION PASSES: 5-0

Motion to Amend the Agenda to Remove Lorne McGee’s Stipend Starting October 11, 2024, Through December 31,2024

President Spight-White entertained a motion to amend the agenda to remove Lorne McGee’s stipend starting October 11, 2024, through December 31, 2024, so moved by Member Wheeler, seconded by Member Price.

Discussion: Members discussed the motion.

Roll call vote: Janet Spight-White - **Yes**, Doris Harris – **No**, Linda Wheeler - **Yes**, Mark Price - **Yes**, Cheryl Sanford – **Yes**

MOTION PASSES: 4-1

Motion to Nominate Mark Ashley Price as Treasurer

President Spight-White entertained a motion to nominate Mark Ashley Price as Treasurer, so moved by Member Wheeler, seconded by President Janet Spight-White.

Discussion: None

Roll call vote: Janet Spight-White - **Yes**, Doris Harris -**Yes**, Linda Wheeler - **Yes**, Mark Price - **Yes**, Cheryl Sanford – **No**

MOTION PASSES: 4-1

Confirmation of Next Scheduled Meetings

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

Motion to Adjourn @ 3:21PM

President Spight-White entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting at 3:21 pm, 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**, Mark Price - **Yes**, Cheryl Sanford – **Yes**

MOTION PASSES: 5-0

Respectfully submitted: Linda Wheeler, Board Secretary.