

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE
SCHOOL DISTRICT OF THE CITY OF HIGHLAND PARK**

**APPROVING ORGANIZATION BUSINESS FOR 2025-2026 OPERATING
YEAR**

The annual Organization Meeting of the Board of Education ("Board") of the School District of the City of Highland Park (the "School District") was held on the 13th day of January, 2026 at 6:00pm.

The meeting was called to order by: Isaian Pettway

Present: Cheryl Sanford, Famika Roberts, Yolanda Harrison
Cassandra Walker, Davis Harris, Linda Wheeler,
Janet Spignt-White

Absent: _____

The following preamble and resolution were offered by Member: Famika Roberts and supported by Member: Cheryl Sanford.

WHEREAS, the School District is a Michigan General Powers School District operating pursuant to the Michigan Revised School Code of 1976, as amended;

WHEREAS, pursuant to section 0151 of the Board Bylaws, the Board must organize annually by meeting to resolve and establish the affairs of the School District for the then succeeding fiscal year;

WHEREAS, the Board has determined to resolve the following affairs of the School District for Fiscal Year 2025-2026 as set forth below.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT REOLVED THAT :

1. **Officers.** The following individuals are elected to serve as officers of the Board for the 2026 school year:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Office</u>
<u>Cheryl Sanford</u>	President
<u>Famika Roberts</u>	Vice President
<u>Cassandra Walker</u>	Treasurer
<u>Yolanda Harrison</u>	Secretary

2. **Designation of Chief Administrative Officer.** For fiscal year 2025-26 the "Chief Education Officer" is hereby designated as the Chief Administrator for the School District, as such officer is defined in the Bylaws. The Chief Administrator shall have such authority and responsibility delegated by this Board in the Bylaws to carry out the policies of the Board and effectuate the administration and business of the School District on behalf of the Board. *F.P./C.W. ⇒ Roll Call*
Motion Carries.

(Harris) No

3. **Legal Counsel.** The Board hereby designates the firm KIRK, HUTH, LANGE & BADALAMENTI PLC to represent the School District as general counsel in all legal matters, including oversight of all legal affairs to the best interest of the School District. *F.P./C.W. ⇒ Roll Call*
Motion Carries (Carries)

(Harrison - No)

4. **Communication Services.** The Board hereby ratifies and affirms the retention of Lorri Rishar of the firm Edge Partners, LLC, for provision of communication and marketing services for the fiscal year 2025-26. *F.P./C.W. ⇒ Roll Call*
Motion Carries

(Harris / Harrison - No)

5. **Annual Audit.** The Board hereby ratifies the decision to retain the firm of Clairmount Group, LLC, as the independent accounting firm for the purposes of conducting the annual audit of the FY 2026 financial statements of the School District in compliance with the State of Michigan, Department of Education regulations. *F.P./L.W. ⇒*

(Harris - No)

Roll Call ⇒ Motion Carries

6. **Bank Depository and Accounts.** The financial institution of The Huntington National Bank is hereby retained as a depository for the funds of the School District.

(Yonah Woods)

F.P./L.W. ⇒ Roll Call ⇒ Motion Carries

7. **Authorized Signatories.** All general fund checks must be signed by two authorized persons, and all officers designated below are hereby authorized to sign all checks, drafts, or other orders for payment of money, notes or other evidences of indebtedness issued in the name of the School District Signatories:

- i. Chief Administrative Officer

F.P./C.W. ⇒ Roll Call ⇒ Motion Carries

(Harris - No)

- ii. Board President
- iii. Board Vice President
- iv. Board Secretary
- v. Board Treasurer

8. **Meeting Dates.** The Board shall hold its regular meeting on the 2nd Tuesday of every month at 6:00pm E.P.T. at places so designated by public notice in accordance with the laws of the State of Michigan. The Board shall ensure that all meeting are held in compliance with the Open Meetings Act ("OMA") and notices shall be posted in accordance with the OMA. *F.R./L.W. ⇒ Roll Call ⇒ Motion Carried.*

(Unanimous)
 9. **2025-2026 Calendar.** The Board hereby approves the 2025-2026 school calendar. *(Harris - No) F.R./C.W. ⇒ Roll Call ⇒ Motion Carried*

All other resolutions, to the extent they conflict with this resolution, be and the same are hereby rescinded.

Ayes: _____

Nays: _____

 Secretary, Board of Education

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- iii. Board Vice President
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9. **2025-2026 Calendar.** The Board hereby approves the 2025-2026 school calendar.

All other resolutions, to the extent they conflict with this resolution, be and the same are hereby rescinded.

Ayes: _____

Nays: _____



Secretary, Board of Education