

**APPROVED MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
WORKSHOP MEETING
OCTOBER 5, 2021
SCHOOL DISTRICT OF THE CITY OF HARPER WOODS**



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 six (6.0).

1.0 Call to Order

President Alicia McKay called the Workshop board meeting to order at 6:30p.m

2.0 Roll Call

*Present: Alicia McKay, Stacey White, Ramona Simmons, Terry Hughes, Joan Mannino (6:37pm), Kayetta Holley (6:41 pm),
Absent: William Murphy*

Also Present: Steven McGhee, Radu Iacoban, Carla West, Mershira Oliver, Dr. Michael Carruthers, Dannon Holly, Dr. Alethea Wells, Dr. Keith Morris, Angela Underwood, Carrie Tenkel, Terri Gamlin.

3.0 Acceptance of Agenda

Motioned by Terry Hughes supported by Stacey White to accept the agenda as printed

Motion Passed 4-4

4.0 Discussion Item(s)

4.1 School Loan Revolving Fund

Radu Iacoban explained this is a yearly process that is done every year to renew a loan that the State of Michigan gives to districts to cover the Pension debt

5.0 Future Action Items

5.1 Personnel Matters

5.1.1 Resignations

- 5.1.1.1 Shay Miller- Teacher-Beacon Elementary
- 5.1.1.2 Jillian Stelma-SPED Teacher-Tyrone Elementary
- 5.1.1.3 Patrick Dudek- Teacher-Harper Woods High School
- 5.1.1.4 Monica Preston- Bus Aide

5.1.2 New Hires/Reassignments

- 5.1.2.1 Joann Hardwick-Spanish Teacher-Middle School
- 5.1.2.2 Tiah Golden – Substitute Teacher – High School
- 5.1.2.3 Peter Smith -Social Studies Teacher-High School
- 5.1.2.4 Debra Blocker– Teacher of Record – ATS
- 5.1.2.5 Joanne Brashaw – Teacher of Record – ATS
- 5.1.2.6 Michelle Wright-Blessing— Mentor – ATS
- 5.1.2.7 Undreeron Hall- Sustitute Teacher- Harper Woods High School
- 5.1.2.8 David McCants- Bus Driver-Harper Woods High School
- 5.1.2.9 Janisse Pitts-Bus Driver-Harper Woods High School
- 5.1.2.10ShaJuan Edmond-Price-Custodian -TBD

- 5.1.2.11 Kyiatirah Woods- Custodian-TBD
- 5.1.2.12 Sabrina McCaleb- Custodian-TBD
- 5.1.2.13 Keyanna Ross- Custodian-TBD
- 5.1.2.14 Javon Meeks-Custodian-TBD
- 5.1.2.15 Stanas Bryant- Parapro Meta- Lab -Harper Woods High School
- 5.1.2.16 Tateanna Hinds Parapro- Harper Woods High School
- 5.1.2.17 Gina Evans-Donald- Parapro-Meta-Lab-Tyrone Elementary

6.0 Public Participation

The Harper Woods Board of Education highly values the input of citizens in making important decisions that affect the children of our community. We also believe in the rights of citizens to observe Board Meetings. To ensure that all our citizens have the opportunity to attend School Board Meetings and offer comment, and to ensure that the Board can conduct the important business of the district, we ask that speakers follow the guidelines for making public comments.

Kelly Morrison expressed concerns regarding Board Meeting being held virtually and security at the High School.

John Schenburn expressed concerns regarding teacher's resigning, School of Choice enrollment and School Board meetings being held virtually.

Please respect the following procedures for Public Participation:

1. All members of the public attending School Boards Meetings must treat each other and the Board with respect.
2. State your full name and address.
3. Submit your questions to the Board of Education with your name, address and telephone number where you can be contacted. Your questions will be answered within a reasonable time.
4. Individuals offering citizen comment are not permitted to make personal attacks on any District employee, Board Member, other testifier or member of the public.
5. Failure to adhere to the above procedures can result in immediate removal from the meeting.
6. Please keep all comments to 3 minutes or less

7.0 Matters of Interest to Board Members

Stacey White addressed concerns of presented to the School Board during public participation.

Alicia McKay addressed concerns presented to School Board during public participation.

Kayetta Holley addressed concerns presented to School Board during public participation.

Ramona Simmons addressed concerns presented to School Board during public participation.

Terry Hughes addressed concerns presented to School Board during public participation.

Superintendent Steven McGhee addressed concerns presented to School Board during public participation. Nationwide teacher shortage, non-instructional staff shortage, Mr. McGhee informed the district that the class of 2020 had the largest rate of graduates in the history of Harper Woods. The class of 2021 had 190 in the graduating class, 3.4 million dollars in scholarships 1.2 million dollars was in athletic scholarships. 12 students in the class of 2022 will graduate with a high school diploma, an associate degree and a Career Path Certification something that has never been done in the history of the United States. Superintendent McGhee also discussed Dual Enrollment and Meta Labs. Overcrowding has been addressed and enrollment is still open to all residents of the city of Harper Woods. 30% of enrollment was School of Choice 70% of enrollment was residents of Harper Woods. Harper Woods School District has paid off loans in the sum of 1.5 million dollars for teacher pensions in addition to Harper Woods teachers receiving 1.8 million dollars in raises.

MASB Delegate Assembly

8.0 Adjournment

The Workshop Meeting of the Harper Woods Board of Education adjourned at 7:23 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Stacey White, Secretary

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