

UNAPPROVED MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION  
WORKSHOP MEETING  
OCTOBER 3, 2023  
SCHOOL DISTRICT OF THE CITY OF HARPER WOODS



**1.0 Call to Order**

*President Stacey White called the Workshop meeting of the Harper Woods School District to order at 6:00 pm.*

**2.0 Roll Call**

*Present: Stacey White, Ramona Simmons, Johnetta Tabron, Terry Hughes, Joan Mannino, Reginald Tabron*

*Absent: Michael Jarvis*

*Also Present: Steven McGhee, Carla West, Carrie Tenkel, Dr. Michael Carrauthers, Shirley Ashford, Jacob Galazara -Jimenez, Dr. Hannah Jaber*

**3.0 Acceptance of Agenda**

*Motion by Terry Hughes supported by Joan Mannino to accept the agenda as printed.*

*Motion passes: 6-6*

**4.0 Discussion Item(s)**

**4.1 Student Enrollment Update**

*Superintendent Steven McGhee gave the Board an update on student enrollment.*

**4.2 Umoja Debate Team-JerJuan Howard**

*JerJuan Howard gave the Board an overview of the Umoja Debate Team program.*

**5.0 Future Action Items**

**5.1 Personnel Matters**

**5.1.1 Overnight Travel/Extended Stay**

- 5.1.1.1 Marion Thrasher-Michigan School Counselors Association Fall Conference, Kalamazoo MI, November 12, 2023-November 14, 2023.
- 5.1.1.2 Michelle Maton- Michigan School Counselors Association Fall Conference, Kalamazoo MI, November 12, 2023-November 14, 2023

**5.1.2 Resignations/Terminations/Resignations**

- 5.1.2.1 Christina Swasey- Teacher- Tyrone Elementary
- 5.1.2.2 Ashley Curtin- Mentor-ATS-Harper Woods-Virtual
- 5.1.2.3 Jamie-Cowart-Mentor-ATS-Harper Woods-Virtual
- 5.1.2.4 John Fouberg-Mentor-ATS-Harper Woods-Virtual
- 5.1.2.5 Marlo Frye-Mentor-ATS-Harper Woods-Virtual
- 5.1.2.6 Janet Gibson-Mentor-ATS-Harper Woods-Virtual
- 5.1.2.7 Malisie Hubbard-Mentor-ATS-Harper Woods-Virtual
- 5.1.2.8 Kim Krentcil-Mentor-ATS-Harper Woods-Virtual
- 5.1.2.9 Megan Kuntz-Mentor-ATS-Harper Woods-Virtual
- 5.1.2.10 Yesenia Moran-Medina-Mentor-ATS-Harper Woods-Virtual
- 5.1.2.11 Kaitlin Ogden-Mentor-ATS-Harper Woods-Virtual
- 5.1.2.12 Kyleen Olson-Mentor-ATS-Harper Woods-Virtual
- 5.1.2.13 Shirley Pike- Mentor-ATS-Harper Woods-Virtual
- 5.1.2.14 Henry Bogle-Art Teacher-Harper Woods Middle School
- 5.1.2.15 Dominic Mitchell- Special Education Paraprofessional -Beacon Elementary

**5.1.3 New Hires/Reassignments**

- 5.1.3.1 Jordyn Ellington- Special Education Paraprofessional- Beacon Elementary





- 5.1.3.2 Dalon Whigham-Substitute Teacher-Harper Woods Middle School
- 5.1.3.3 Carlesa Gray- Custodian-Harper Woods High School
- 5.1.3.4 Tiffany Belton- Mentor-ATS-Harper Woods-Virtual
- 5.1.3.5 Ashley Porter- Mentor-ATS- Harper Woods-Virtual
- 5.1.3.6 James McKiernan-Mentor-ATS- Harper Woods-Virtual
- 5.1.3.7 Monica Drake- Love- Paraprofessional- Harper Woods Middle School
- 5.1.3.8 Aaron Brown- Mentor -ATS-Harper Woods-Virtual

## 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 of 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.

### 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.

*Antrice Costner-Price-Expressed concerns regarding the status of her employment.*

*LaTonya Black-Brown- Expressed concerns regarding the dismissal of the Harper Woods High School Girls Basketball coach.*

## 7.0 Matters of Interest to Board Members

*Terry Hughes-Students are interested in changing the High School Mascot.*

*Stacey White-Reminded the Board that the Board Retreat is this weekend.*

*Superintendent Steven McGhee- Michigan State Legislator awarded a \$1,000,000.00 gran to the Harper Woods School District for thew 23/24 Fiscal School year. The Grant will be used Directly to support Construction Trades Program for the Container Project. Estimate construction to start at the end of October early November. Upon completion the Field House will be available for students and the community. Superintendent Steven McGhee congratulations Terri Gamlin for the working on the grant.*

## 8.0 Adjournment

*The Workshop Meeting of the Harper Woods Board of Education adjourned at 7: 30 pm*

*Respectfully submitted,  
Johnetta Tabron, Secretary*

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