

APPROVED MINUTES OF THE ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING
MARCH 18, 2025
THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
SCHOOL DISTRICT OF THE CITY OF HARPER WOODS



The Regular Meeting of the Harper Woods Board of Education was held on Tuesday December 17, 2024 at Harper Woods High School located at 20225 Beaconsfield Harper Woods, MI 48225

1.0 Call to Order

President Ramona Dunn-Simmons called the Regular Meeting of the Harper Woods Board of Education to order at 7:00 p.m.

2.0 Pledge of Allegiance

3.0 Roll Call – Establishment of a Quorum

Present: *Ramona Simmons, Johnetta Tabron, Michael Jarvis, Reginald Tabron, Terry Hughes, Stacey White, Diana Nimmons*

Also Present: Steven McGhee

4.0 Acceptance of Meeting Agenda

Motion by Michael Jarvis supported by Reginald Tabron to accept the agenda as printed motion passes 7-0

5.0 Approval of Consent Agenda

5.1 Minutes from Previous Meetings

- 5.1.1 Regular Meeting – February 18, 2025,
- 5.1.2 Workshop Meeting – March 4, 2025,
- 5.1.3 Closed Session Meeting-March 4, 2025

5.2 Expenditure Reports – February 1 through February 28, 2025

5.3 Personnel Matters

5.3.1 Overnight/Extended Travel

- 5.3.1.1 Aprill Gray- 2025 Emerging Leaders Program- Michigan State University- July 8, -10, 2025

5.3.2 New Hires

- 5.3.2.1 Raylon Lyons-Attendant Agent
- 5.3.2.2 Nelson Seldon-Public Safety Officer

Motion by Johnetta Tabron and supported by Terry Hughes to approve the consent agenda as printed.

Consent agenda approved 7-0

6.0 Correspondence

None

7.0 District Recognition

- 7.1 Robotics- Charles Hyman
- 7.2 Student/Teacher of the Month-Beacon Elementary

8.0 Public Participation re: Action Items

None

9.0 Action Item(s)



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9.1 2025/2026 School of Choice Authorization

Motion by Stacey White supported by Michael Jarvis to approve 2025/26 School of Choice Authorization.

Motion passes 7-0

9.2 Superintendent's recommendation Notification of Administrative Non-Renewals

Motion by Michael Jarvis supported by Stacey White to approve the Superintendent's recommendation Notification of Administrative Non-Renewals.

Motion passes 7-0

9.3 Athletic GPA Requirements

Motion by Johnetta Tabron supported by Terry Hughes to approve the Athletic GPA Requirements,

Motion passes 7-0

9.4 Architect Bid Approval

Motion by Reginald Tabron and supported by Stacey White to approve the Architect bid submitted by Ghafari in the amount of \$175,000.

Motion passes 7-0

9.5 Construction Bid Approval

Motion by Stacey White supported by Michael Jarvis to approve the construction bid submitted by DA Contracting in the amount \$2,681,783.09

Motion passes 7-0

10.0 Board Items

10.1 Sub Committee Reports

10.1.1 Building & Site

None

10.1.2 Policy

Ramona Simmons reported Policy Meeting updates given Vol 39.2 update the second week in April.

10.1.3 Finance

Stacey white reported Finance meeting upcoming.

10.1.4 Community Relations

There will be an upcoming shredding event more details to come.

10.1.5 Superintendent Evaluation Committee

Stacey White reported the Superintendent Evaluation will be in September Ms. White will reach out to ensure the Board is fully prepared to do the evaluation.

11.0 Report of the Superintendent

Superintendent Steve McGhee reported that he received a letter from the Michigan Association of School Boards (MASB) detailing the levels of mastery and merit of each Board Member.

Level 4- Ramona Dunn-Simmons

Level 6-Terry Hughes



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Level 2-Johnetta Tabron

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Level 3-Stacey White

Corewell Health Ribbon Cutting will be April 21, 2025 official invitation will be forthcoming. Corewell Health will also offer internships and training for nursing, nutritionist medical billing. Corewell Health has offered a food services and food pantry at the High School and Middles School Ascension Health has offered to supply Sports Trainers at each of our athletic events throughout the course of the year for 2025. Vision to Learn has provided 150 pair of eyeglasses at Beacon, Tyrone and The Middles School that also included a free eye exam.

12.0 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.

None

13.0 Matters of Interest to Board Members

14.0 Adjournment

President Ramona Dunn-Simmons adjourned the regular meeting of the Harper Woods School District at 7:44 pm.

