

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
HELD ON WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2016**

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of the School District of the City of Hamtramck, Wayne County, Michigan, was held on Wednesday, September 14, 2016 at 6:30 p.m. at the Administration Building, 3201 Roosevelt St., Hamtramck, MI 48212.

The meeting was called to order by President Srodek at 6:32 p.m.

Present: Members Srodek, Shulgon, Major, Lukas, Starr and Khan

Absent: Member Hadwan

ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA

Motion by Member Starr
Seconded by Member Lukas

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accepts and approves the Agenda, with any additions and deletions.

Ayes: Members Srodek, Shulgon, Lukas, Major, Starr and Khan

Nays: None

Absent: Member Hadwan

MOTION CARRIED.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

N/A

CORRESPONDENCE

(The following correspondence was read by Ms. Shulgon)

Letter from Shama Khan dated August 8, 2016

Letter from Runa Chowdhury dated August 17, 2016

Letter from Rachelle Warren dated August 18, 2016

Letter from Laurie Kroon dated August 31, 2016

Letter from Maleka Rashid dated September 1, 2016

(Member Hadwan entered at 6:40 p.m.)

Letter from Design Build dated September 7, 2016

BOARD MEMBER DISCUSSION

Mr. Lukas asked if the Board could receive an update on Recreation Programs along with the number of participants.

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Member Lukas
Seconded by Member Shulgon

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education approves the following items under the Consent Agenda:

- a. Approval of Minutes from:
 1. Regular Meeting Minutes from August 10, 2016
 2. Special Meeting Minutes from August 24, 2016
- b. Acceptance of Resignation – Resignation of **Maleka Rashid**, Math Teacher at Holbrook Elementary School, effective September 16, 2016.
- c. Acceptance of Resignation – Resignation of **Rachelle Warren**, Adult Education Teacher, effective at the end of the 2015-2016 school year.
- d. Acceptance of Resignation – Resignation of **Runa Chowdhury**, Title I Paraprofessional at Dickinson West Elementary, effective August 17, 2016.
- e. Acceptance of Resignation – Resignation of **Shama Khan**, Paraprofessional at Dickinson East Elementary, effective August 8, 2016.
- f. Termination of Employment – Termination of **Ladje Marashi**, Lunch Aide at Early Childhood Elementary, effective at the end of the 2015-2016 school year.
- g. Approval of Employment – Employment of **Donia Saleh**, resident of Hamtramck as an ELL Paraprofessional at Holbrook Elementary School, \$12.00 per hour, maximum of 27.5 hours per week, effective September 19, 2016 - pending completion of all necessary paperwork.
- h. Approval of Employment – Employment of **Sabbah Abdulrab**, resident of Hamtramck, as an ELL Paraprofessional at Holbrook Elementary School, \$12.00 per hour, maximum of 27.5 hours per week, effective September 19, 2016 - pending completion of all necessary paperwork.
- i. Approval of Purchase – Approval of payment in the amount of \$25,660.80 to **Netech Corporation Presidio Infrastructure Solutions** for the purchase of 66 Dell Chromebooks with Licenses for Dickinson West Elementary. Funding through Title I.

- j. Approval of Purchase – Approval of payment in the amount of \$68,900.00 to **Schoolcraft College** for HOPE for Education Professional Development. Funding through Title I.
- k. Approval of Purchase – Approval of payment in the amount of \$21,604.00 to **Benchmark Education** for the purchase of English Explorers Sets. Funding through Immigrant Funds.
- l. Approval of Purchase – Approval of payment in the amount of \$69,300.00 to **TPR Education, LLC d/b/a The Princeton Review** for the purchase of SAT classes for Hamtramck High School students. Funding through General Fund.
- m. Approval of Employment – Employment of **Farzana Khan**, resident of Detroit, as an ELL Paraprofessional at Holbrook Elementary School, \$12.00 per hour, maximum of 28 hours per week, effective September 19, 2016 – pending completion of all necessary paperwork. Funding through General Fund.
- n. Approval of Employment – Employment of **Amal Mehtar**, resident of Hamtramck, as an ELL Paraprofessional at Dickinson East Elementary School, \$12.00 per hour, maximum of 28 hours per week, effective September 19, 2016 – pending completion of all necessary paperwork. Funding through General Fund.
- o. Approval of Employment – Employment of **Reba Chowdhury**, resident of Hamtramck, as a Title I Paraprofessional at Dickinson West Elementary School, \$12.00 per hour, maximum of 25 hours per week, effective September 19, 2016 – pending completion of all necessary paperwork. Funding through Title I.

Ayes: Members Srodek, Shulgon, Lukas, Major, Starr, Khan and Hadwan

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED.

INFORMATION/ACTION ITEMS*Reports by Superintendent:**The following presentations were made to the Board:*

Way to Go Certificates – Mr. Niczay

Mr. Niczay prepared certificates for Mr. Chris Vraniak and Mrs. Marilyn Sikula who were both instrumental in preventing a theft at Dickinson East Elementary.

Board of Ed Candidates – Mr. Niczay

Incumbent candidates were introduced and given an opportunity to speak briefly. Mrs. Shulgon, Mrs. Starr and Mr. Hadwan were all present. Candidates Jeff Salazar, Lamont Stinson and Moortadha Obaid were also introduced and also addressed the audience. All candidates were also given a packet containing general information about HPS.

Enrollment Numbers Update – Ms. St. Germaine

Ms. St. Germaine provided a brief update on current enrollment numbers

CAP Program – Mr. Constant & Dr. Konrad

Mr. Constant & Dr. Konrad gave a brief presentation regarding the CAP Program. This is a college admissions program that offers application assistance and campus exposure to the high school students.

OLD BUSINESS

Mr. Lukas asked about the television interview with Ms. Danielle Nagle. She was interviewed this morning.

Mr. Khan commented on the various construction projects throughout the City. It is making it difficult for students and parents going back and forth to the school buildings – the City did not contact the schools prior to the start of the projects.

ACTION ITEMS

General Fund
Board Report
September 14, 2016

Attached hereto is a listing of invoices and checks now due for supplies, materials, equipment or services delivered or rendered to the School District. These invoices and checks represent purchases made or services ordered upon approved resolutions of the Board of Education for the current fiscal year. Where required or when possible, competitive prices have been obtained prior to placing orders, and where quality specifications permitted, purchases were made or services obtained at the lowest price quoted.

Invoices examined and recommended for approval by the Board of Education.

Thomas Niczay
Superintendent of Schools

APPROVAL OF INVOICES AND CHECK REGISTER

Motion by Member Hadwan
Seconded by Member Lukas

RESOLVED, that the Check Register for the period August 11, 2016 through September 14, 2016 as enclosed, be approved.

Ayes: Members Srodek, Shulgon, Lukas, Major, Starr, Khan and Hadwan

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED.

APPROVAL OF EMPLOYMENT

Motion by Member Starr
Seconded by Member Khan

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education does hereby approve the employment of **Martin Kirby** as the Athletic Director for Hamtramck Public Schools, annual salary of \$40,000 (pro-rated for time worked) effective September 8, 2016.

Ayes: Members Srodek, Shulgon, Lukas, Major, Starr, Khan and Hadwan

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

APPROVAL OF EMPLOYMENT

Motion by Member Khan
Seconded by Member Shulgon

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education does hereby approve the employment of **Jaleelah Ahmed**, as the ELL Director for Hamtramck Public Schools, annual salary of \$91,007.50 (pro-rated for time worked) effective August 29, 2016.

Ayes: Members Srodek, Shulgon, Lukas, Major, Starr, Khan and Hadwan

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

APPROVAL OF EMPLOYMENT

Motion by Member Starr
Seconded by Member Shulgon

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education does here approve the employment of **Brooke Horzelski-Jones** as a Kindergarten Teacher at Dickinson East Elementary School, step 2 for a Master's Degree, effective August 29, 2016.

Ayes: Members Srodek, Shulgon, Lukas, Major, Starr, Khan and Hadwan

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

APPROVAL OF EMPLOYMENT

Motion by Member Hadwan
Seconded by Member Shulgon

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education does hereby approve the employment of **Lisa Sinnett** as a Spanish Teacher at Hamtramck High School, step 2 for a Masters Degree, effective August 29, 2016.

Ayes: Members Srodek, Shulgon, Lukas, Major, Starr, Khan and Hadwan

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

APPROVAL OF EMPLOYMENT

Motion by Member Shulgon
Seconded by Member Khan

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education does hereby approve the employment of **Catherine Voss** as a Second Grade Teacher at Dickinson East Elementary School, step 2 for a Masters Degree, effective August 29, 2016.

Ayes: Members Srodek, Shulgon, Lukas, Major, Starr, Khan and Hadwan

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

APPROVAL OF EMPLOYMENT

Motion by Member Starr
Seconded by Member Shulgon

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education does hereby approve the employment of **Jill Larkins** as a Title I Reading Specialist at Holbrook Elementary School, step 2 for a Masters Degree, effective August 29, 2016.

Ayes: Members Srodek, Shulgon, Lukas, Major, Starr, Khan and Hadwan

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

APPROVAL OF EMPLOYMENT

Motion by Member Shulgon
Seconded by Member Lukas

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education does hereby approve the employment of **Richard Wawrzynski** as the Director of Building & Grounds/Transportation, step 2 of the HAA Contract, effective September 15, 2016.

Ayes: Members Srodek, Shulgon, Lukas, Major, Starr, Khan and Hadwan

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

APPROVAL OF CONFERENCE ATTENDANCE

Motion by Member Hadwan
Seconded by Member Starr

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education does hereby approve the request of Jean St. Germaine to attend the **Michigan Pupil Accounting and Attendance Association Annual Fall Conference** to be held in Boyne, MI September 18-21, 2016. Funding through Pupil Services.

Ayes: Members Srodek, Shulgon, Lukas, Major, Starr, Khan and Hadwan

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

APPROVAL OF CONFERENCE ATTENDANCE

Motion by Member Khan
Seconded by Member Shulgon

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education does hereby approve the request of Stefan Pitcoff to attend the **Michigan Association of State and Federal Program Specialists Fall Institute** to be held in Acme, MI October 5-7, 2016. Funding through Title I.

Ayes: Members Srodek, Shulgon, Lukas, Major, Starr and Khan and Hadwan

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

APPROVAL OF CONFERENCE ATTENDANCE

Motion by Member Hadwan
Seconded by Member Khan

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education does hereby approve the request of Jaleelah Ahmed to attend the **2016 Special Populations Conference** to be held in East Lansing, MI September 19-20, 2016. Funding through Title III.

Ayes: Members Srodek, Shulgon, Lukas, Major, Starr and Khan and Hadwan

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

APPROVAL OF CONFERENCE ATTENDANCE

Motion by Member Hadwan
Seconded by Member Shulgon

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education does hereby approve the request of Jaleelah Ahmed to attend the **2016 WIDA Conference** to be held in Philadelphia, PA October 12-15, 2016. Funding through Title III.

Ayes: Members Srodek, Shulgon, Lukas, Major, Starr and Khan and Hadwan

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

APPROVAL OF SCHOOL CALENDAR FOR 2017-2018

Motion by Member Khan
Seconded by Member Hadwan

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education does hereby approve the addition to the school calendar for 2017-2018.

Ayes: Members Srodek, Shulgon, Lukas, Major, Starr, Khan and Hadwan

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

APPOINTMENT OF MASB DELEGATES

Motion by Member Lukas
Seconded by Member Starr

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education does hereby appoint **Hedy Shulgon** as a Delegate to the Michigan Association of School Boards Delegate Assembly and **Evan Major** as an Alternate.

Ayes: Members Srodek, Shulgon, Lukas, Major, Starr, Khan and Hadwan

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

N/A

(There was a ten minute recess at 7:47 p.m.)

DISCUSSION OF DISTRICT GOALS

Dr. Rezmierski was present and further discussion was held regarding goals for the Board.

The following motion was made:

Motion by Member Major
Seconded by Member Starr

RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education does hereby accept and approve the District Goals for 2016-2017 as discussed.

Ayes: Members Srodek, Shulgon, Lukas, Major, Starr, Khan and Hadwan

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Member Lukas
Seconded by Member Shulgon

RESOLVED, that the Meeting be adjourned.

Ayes: Members Srodek, Shulgon, Lukas, Major Starr, Khan and Hadwan

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED.

The Meeting adjourned at 9:02 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Hedy Shulgon, Secretary

Approved:

Magdalena Srodek, President