MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
HELD ON WEDNESDAY, JULY 9, 2014

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of the School District of the City of Hamtramck, Wayne County, Michigan, was held on Wednesday, July 9, 2014 at 6:30 p.m. at the Administration Building, 3201 Roosevelt St., Hamtramck, MI 48212.

The meeting was called to order by President Walters at 6:31 p.m.

Present: Members Walters, Myrick, H. Shulgon, A. Shulgon, Srodek, Burkman and Major

Absent: None
ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA

Motion by Member Srodek
Seconded by Member A. Shulgon

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

Ayes: Members Walters, Myrick, H. Shulgon, A. Shulgon, Srodek, Burkman and Major

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED.
AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

N/A

CORRESPONDENCE

N/A

BOARD MEMBER DISCUSSION

Member Walters commented that the celebration on July 5th was a huge success! He has received nothing but positive comments from everyone.
CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Member Myrick
Seconded by Member H. 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 June 11, 2014
      2. Budget Hearing Minutes from June 24, 2014

   b. Approval of Employment – Employment of Theria Algahim as a Paraprofessional for the Summer School program at Holbrook Elementary School, $11.00 per hour.

   c. Approval of Employment – Employment of Nermina Kurtovic, as a Teacher for the ELL Summer Bridge program at Hamtramck High School.

   d. Approval of Employment – Employment of Jowaher Zindani, as a Paraprofessional for the ELL Summer Bridge program at Hamtramck High School.

   e. Approval of Employment – Employment of Dalvonte Porties, resident of Hamtramck, as a Playground Aide for the Recreation Department Summer program, $7.50 per hour, maximum of 27.5 hours per week, effective July 10, 2014.


Ayes: Members Walters, Myrick, H. Shulgon, A. Shulgon, Srodek, Burkman and Major

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED.
INFORMATION/ACTION ITEMS

Reports by Superintendent:

National Institute of Justice funding for School Safety – Joanne Smith Darden

Joanne Smith Darden and Poco Kernsmith were present and explained the proposal to the Board. They are working with organizations to identify factors that can help make a positive impact on the lives of students.

Dearborn Public Schools – Bilingual Certification – Mary Lane/Gail Schenkman

Mary Lane and Gail Schenkman were present and briefly explained the “Seal of Bilingualism” that is being instituted in Dearborn Public Schools. They feel that since Hamtramck has a large multi-cultural student body, this is something that may also be beneficial for our students.

OLD BUSINESS
ACTION ITEMS

General Fund Board Report July 9, 2014

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 A. Shulgon
Seconded by Member H. Shulgon

RESOLVED, that the Check Register for the period June 11, 2014 through July 9, 2014 as enclosed, be approved.

Ayes: Members Walters, Myrick, H. Shulgon, A. Shulgon, Srodek, Burkman and Major

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED.
APPROVAL OF PURCHASE

Motion by Member Srodek
Seconded by Member Myrick

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education does hereby approve the purchase of 40 Dell Optiplex 3020 computers from Dell Computer Corporation, total amount not to exceed $25,902.00. Funding through Vocational Ed.

Ayes: Members Walters, Myrick, H. Shulgon, A. Shulgon, Srodek, Burkman and Major

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED.

APPROVAL OF PURCHASE

Motion by Member Srodek
Seconded by Member H. Shulgon

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education does hereby approve the purchase of 128 HP Probook Notebooks and a Laptop Cart for Hamtramck High School from SEHI Computer Products, total amount not to exceed $64,642.88. Funding through Title I.

Ayes: Members Walters, Myrick, H. Shulgon, A. Shulgon, Srodek, Burkman and Major

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED.
APPROVAL OF CONFERENCE ATTENDANCE

Motion by Member H. Shulgon
Seconded by Member Srodek

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education does hereby approve the request of Sharalene Charns and Stefan Pitcoff to attend the Michigan Association of Federal Programs Conference to be held in Traverse City, Michigan on October 1-3, 2014.

Ayes: Members Walters, Myrick, H. Shulgon, A. Shulgon, Srodek, Burkman and Major

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED.

APPROVAL OF PURCHASE

Motion by Member Srodek
Seconded by Member Myrick

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education does hereby approve the purchase of 64 HP Probook Notebooks and Internal DVD Drives for Hamtramck High School from SEHI Computer Products, total amount not to exceed $33,692.96. Funding through Title I.

Ayes: Members Walters, Myrick, H. Shulgon, A. Shulgon, Srodek, Burkman and Major

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED.
APPROVAL OF EMPLOYMENT

Motion by Member Burkman
Seconded by Member Srodek

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education does hereby approve the employment of Chris Vraniak, as the Principal at Dickinson East Elementary, annual salary of $77,754.56, which includes 8 furlough days, effective July 1, 2014.

Ayes: Members Walters, Myrick, H. Shulgon, A. Shulgon, Srodek, Burkman and Major

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED.

APPROVAL OF EMPLOYMENT

Motion by Member Srodek
Seconded by Member A. Shulgon

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education does hereby approve the employment of Karonna Funderburg as the HOPE Program Specialist, annual salary amount of $41,000 effective July 14, 2014.

Ayes: Members Walters, Myrick, H. Shulgon, A. Shulgon, Srodek, Burkman and Major

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED.
APPROVAL OF EMPLOYMENT

Motion by Member Srodek
Seconded by Member H. Shulgon

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education does hereby approve the employment of Shalika Robie as the Director of Special Education, Step 1 of the HAA Contract, effective August 1, 2014.

Ayes: Members Walters, Myrick, H. Shulgon, A. Shulgon, Srodek, Burkman and Major

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED.

AWARDING OF BID

Motion by Member H. Shulgon
Seconded by Member A. Shulgon

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education does hereby award the bid for Kitchen Equipment at Dickinson East and Hamtramck High School to Stafford-Smith, Inc., being the lowest bidder meeting specifications, total amount not to exceed $88,530.20.

Ayes: Members Walters, Myrick, H. Shulgon, A. Shulgon, Srodek, Burkman and Major

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED.
APPROVAL OF CONFERENCE ATTENDANCE

Motion by Member H. Shulgon
Seconded by Member A. Shulgon

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education does hereby approve the request of the following individuals to attend the Superintendent’s Institute in East Lansing, MI, July 30 – August 1, 2014:

Mike Syropoulos
Kristen Hurt

Thomas Niczay
Chris Vraniak

Ayes: Members Walters, Myrick, H. Shulgon, A. Shulgon, Srodek, Burkman and Major

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED.

APPROVAL OF CONFERENCE ATTENDANCE

Motion by Member H. Shulgon
Seconded by Member Srodek

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education does hereby approve the request of Shalika Robie to attend the Michigan Association of Administrators of Special Education Summer Institute in Acme, MI, August 10 – August 13, 2014, funding by IDEA funds.

Ayes: Members Walters, Myrick, H. Shulgon, A. Shulgon, Srodek, Burkman and Major

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED.
AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

Member Srodek asked for a moment of silence for a former student who drowned over the weekend. Condolences were also shared with Member Shulgon on the loss of her sister and Ms. Litterio also asked that there be a moment of silence for a special education student who also passed away over the weekend. The families of the deceased are in our prayers.
CLOSED SESSION

Motion by Member Srodek
Seconded by Member A. Shulgon

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education go into Closed Session for discussion of the following items:

Reinstatement Hearing for Student #70018889
Expulsion Hearing for Student #70023097
Superintendent Evaluation (postponed until a later date)

Ayes: Members Walters, Myrick, H. Shulgon, A. Shulgon, Srodek, Burkman and Major

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED.

The meeting went into Closed Session at 7:30 p.m.

(Member Burkman left the meeting at 8:25 p.m.)

OPEN SESSION

Motion by Member A. Shulgon
Seconded by Member Srodek

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education resumes in Open Session.

Ayes: Members Walters, Myrick, H. Shulgon, A. Shulgon, Srodek, and Major

Nays: None

Absent: Member Burkman

MOTION CARRIED.

The meeting resumed in Open Session at 8:35 p.m.
REINSTATEMENT OF STUDENT #70018889

Motion by Member A. Shulgon
Seconded by Member Srodek

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education does hereby grant the request of Student #70018889 to be reinstated to Hamtramck Public Schools effective July 9, 2014.

Ayes: Members Walters, Myrick, H. Shulgon, A. Shulgon, Srodek, and Major
Nays: None
Absent: Member Burkman

MOTION CARRIED.

EXPulsion of Student #70023097

Motion by Member H. Shulgon
Seconded by Member A. Shulgon

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education does hereby expel Student #70023097 for a period of 180 days effective July 9, 2014.

Ayes: Members Walters, Myrick, H. Shulgon, A. Shulgon, Srodek, and Major
Nays: None
Absent: Member Burkman

MOTION CARRIED.
**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Member Srodek  
Seconded by Member Major

RESOLVED, that the Meeting be adjourned.

Ayes: Members Walters, Myrick, H. Shulgon, A. Shulgon, Srodek and Major

Nays: None

Absent: Member Burkman

MOTION CARRIED.

The Meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Hedy Shulgon, Secretary

Approved:

Titus Walters, President