MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
HELD ON WEDNESDAY, MAY 10, 2017

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of the School District of the City of Hamtramck, Wayne County, Michigan, was held on Wednesday, May 10, 2017 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 6:30 p.m.

Present: Members Srodek, Major, Lukas, Hadwan, Chowdhury, Khan and Obaid
Absent: None
ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA

Motion by Member Hadwan
Seconded by Member Obaid

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

Ayes: Members Srodek, Major, Lukas, Hadwan, Chowdhury, Khan and Obaid

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED.
AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

N/A

CORRESPONDENCE

Letter from Mary Vlatkoski dated 4-10-17 (read by Member Hadwan)
Letter from Beverly Williams dated 4-10-17 (read by Member Hadwan)
Letter from Nancy Shipman dated 4-11-17 (read by Member Hadwan)
Letter from Jeanne Morreale dated 4-14-17 (read by Member Hadwan)
Letter from Lorinda Grimshaw dated 4-17-17 (read by Member Hadwan)
Letter from Rekha Kamath dated 4-18-17 (read by Member Hadwan)
Letter from Claudia Simons dated 4-18-17 (Read by Member Major)
Letter from Ann Kay dated 4-24-17 (Read by Member Major)
Letter from Tim Constant dated 4-28-17 (Read by Member Major)
Letter from Ann Mahlmeister dated 5-3-17 (Read by Member Major)

BOARD MEMBER DISCUSSION

Member Major asked about re-instituting an Employee Recognition Program in the District. The matter will be further discussed at the next School Improvement Committee meeting.

Member Hadwan and Member Srodek commented on Teacher Appreciation Week.
CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Member Hadwan
Seconded by Member Khan

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 April 12, 2017
   2. Special Meeting Minutes from April 18, 2017
   3. Special Meeting Minutes from April 19, 2017

b. Approval of Employment – Employment of Rostyslav Krasnovskyy resident of Hamtramck, as a Soccer Aide for the Recreation Department, $8.15 per hour, maximum of 10 hours per week, effective May 15, 2017.

c. Approval of Employment – Employment of Eric Anderson, resident of Hamtramck, as a Baseball Coach for the Recreation Department, $20.00 per hour, maximum of 8 hours per week, effective May 15, 2017.

d. Approval of Employment – Employment of Naida Ribic, resident of Hamtramck, as a Lifeguard for the Recreation Department, $8.15 per hour, maximum of 35 hours per week, effective May 22, 2017.

e. Approval of Employment – Employment of Maida Ribic, resident of Hamtramck, as a Lifeguard for the Recreation Department, $8.15 per hour, maximum of 35 hours per week, effective May 22, 2017.

f. Approval of Employment – Employment of Mahmuda Mouri, resident of Warren, as a Playground Supervisor for the Recreation Department Summer Program, $11.00 per hour, maximum of 35 hours per week, effective May 15, 2017.

g. Approval of Employment – Employment of Gregory Robinson, resident of Detroit, as a Pool Supervisor for the Recreation Program, $11.00 per hour, maximum of 30 hours per week, effective May 15, 2017.

h. Acceptance of Retirement – Retirement of Mary Vlatkoski, teacher at Dickinson West Elementary, effective July 1, 2017.


q. Acceptance of Resignation – Resignation of Tim Constant, Principal at Hamtramck High School, effective June 30, 2017.

r. Approval of Employment – Employment of Tristan Russano, resident of Grosse Pointe, as a Guitar Instructor for the Recreation Department, $25.00 per hour, maximum of 10 hours per week, effective May 15, 2017.

Ayes: Members Srodek, Major, Lukas, Hadwan, Chowdhury, Khan and Obaid

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED.
INFORMATION/ACTION ITEMS

Reports by Superintendent:

Resident of the Year – Vanessa Gray
Mrs. Gray, who is the secretary at Dickinson West Elementary was congratulated for being nominated as the Resident of the Year by the City of Hamtramck.

Science Fair Winners
Some winners of the Science Fair were present. They shared their projects with the Board and were given certificates of accomplishment.

DECA Competition
The winners of the DECA National Competition were present and awarded certificates of accomplishment.

Society of Automotive Engineers
Mr. Katopodis introduced winners from the competition who were awarded certificates of accomplishment.

HFCC Engineering Competition
Ms. Livezey introduced several students who took place in the competition and were given certificates.

Science & Engineering Fair
Winners from the Science and Engineering Fair were present and received certificates for their participation.

MIPA Awards
Mr. Katopodis was joined by some of his students who received awards from the Michigan Interscholastic Press Association for their work. They were also presented awards from the Board.

Health Clinic Report
Ms. Sarah Peslar was present and gave the Board a report on the Hamtramck High School Health Clinic. She provided an overview of services that were made available to the families last year and also gave a brief description of some additional services they are hoping to offer next year.
In-School Suspension
Mr. Remell Pennick, from the Center for Youth and Families gave a presentation on the work that they are doing in the high school centered around the in school suspension program.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

OLD BUSINESS
ACTION ITEMS

General Fund
Board Report
May 10, 2017

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 Khan
Seconded by Member Lukas

RESOLVED, that the Check Register for the period April 13, 2017 through May 10, 2017 as enclosed, be approved.

Ayes: Members Srodek, Major, Lukas, Hadwan, Chowdhury, Khan and Obaid
Nays: None
Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED.
APPROVAL OF BID OPENING

Motion by Member Hadwan
Seconded by Member Obaid

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education does hereby approve the opening of bids for the Hamtramck High School Roof Replacement Project.

Bids will then be sent to tabulation for recommendation to the Board.

(1 bid was opened from Bloom Roofing Systems, bid amount $1,365,000.00)

Ayes: Members Srodek, Major, Lukas, Hadwan, Chowdhury, Khan and Obaid

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED.
APPROVAL OF UPDATES TO BOARD BYLAWS/POLICIES

Motion by Member Hadwan
Seconded by Member Obaid

RESOLVED, that based on the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and the Bylaws & Policies committee the following changes to bylaws and policies be adopted:

Bylaw 0160-open meetings (revised)
Policy 2221-mandatory courses (revised)
Policy 2461-recording district meetings involving student and or parents (new)
Policy 2623-student assessment (new)
Policy 3120.04-employment of substitutes (revised)
Policy 3121/4121-criminal history record check (revised)
Policy 5517.01-bullying and other aggressive behavior toward students (revised)
Policy 5610-emergency removal of, suspensions and expulsions of non-disabled students (revised)
Policy 5610.01-expulsions/suspensions (required by statute)
Policy 7540.02 web content (revised)
Policy 8330-student records (revised)
Policy 8400-school safety information (revised)
Policy 8500-food services (revised)
Policy 8510-wellness (revised)

Ayes: Members Srodek, Major, Lukas, Hadwan, Chowdhury, Khan and Obaid

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED.
APPROVAL OF WAYNE RESA BUDGET

Motion by Member Obaid
Seconded by Member Khan

WHEREAS, this Board received the Wayne RESA General Fund Operating Budget on or before May 1, 2017; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Section 380.624 of the Revised School Code, this Board must now adopt a resolution expressing its support or disapproval of the proposed Wayne RESA budget, and must submit to the Wayne RESA Board any specific objections and/or proposed changes the Board may have to the budget prior to June 1, 2017.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT The Wayne RESA General Fund Operating budget for the 2017-2018 school year be supported, and that the Secretary of the Board is hereby directed to submit a copy of this resolution to the Secretary of the Wayne RESA Board of Education, along with comments

Ayes: Members Srodek, Major, Lukas, Hadwan, Chowdhury, Khan and Obaid

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED.
AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

N/A
CLOSED SESSION

Motion by Member Lukas
Seconded by Member Khan

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education does hereby go into Closed Session for the following purpose:

To Receive and Consider Written Opinions of Counsel
To Consider Information Pursuant to Section 8(d) of the Open Meetings Act

Ayes: Members Srodek, Major, Lukas, Hadwan, Chowdhury, Khan and Obaid
Nays: None
Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED.

The meeting went into Closed Session at 8:00 p.m.

OPEN SESSION

Motion by Member Khan
Seconded by Member Lukas

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education does hereby resume the meeting in Open Session.

Ayes: Members Srodek, Major, Lukas, Hadwan, Chowdhury, Khan and Obaid
Nays: None
Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED.

The meeting resumed in Open Session at 9:05 p.m.
APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION OF TENURE CHARGES

Motion by Member Khan
Supported by Member Hadwan

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of Hamtramck Public Schools ("HPS Board") has received a written opinion from its legal counsel in closed session related to the resolution of a tenure charge matter; and

WHEREAS, the HPS Board has determined it is in the best interest of the HPS Board and Hamtramck Public Schools to resolve the tenure charge matter as presented by legal counsel.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the HPS Board as follows:

1. The HPS Board approves the resolution of the tenure charge issue as presented by legal counsel.

2. The HPS Board hereby authorizes the administration of Hamtramck Public Schools, and counsel for the HPS Board, to execute, deliver and carry out all agreements and other documentation necessary to effectuate this Resolution.

3. All resolutions and parts of resolutions insofar as they conflict with the provisions of this resolution are hereby rescinded.

Ayes: Members Srodek, Major, Lukas, Hadwan, Chowdhury, Khan and Obaid

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED.
APPROVAL OF TRANSPORTATION AGREEMENT

Motion by Member Obaid
Supported by Member Khan

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of Hamtramck Public Schools (“HPS Board”) has received a written opinion from its legal counsel in closed session related to the form for a successor transportation agreement; and

WHEREAS, the HPS Board has determined it is in the best interest of the HPS Board and Hamtramck Public Schools to approve the form for a proposed successor transportation agreement as presented by legal counsel and to delegate to its Superintendent the authority to negotiate a successor transportation agreement as provided herein.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the HPS Board as follows:

1. The HPS Board approves the form for a successor transportation agreement as presented by legal counsel.

2. The HPS Board hereby delegates to the Superintendent of Hamtramck Public Schools the authority to negotiate, with the advice of counsel, finalize and execute on behalf of the Board an agreement with a contractor to be specified in the form and with the same essential terms and conditions as presented. Should any of the essential terms and conditions change any such change will require full approval by the HPS Board.

3. All resolutions and parts of resolutions insofar as they conflict with the provisions of this resolution are hereby rescinded.

Ayes: Members Srodek, Major, Lukas, Hadwan, Chowdhury, Khan and Obaid

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED.
ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Member Hadwan
Seconded by Member Obaid

RESOLVED, that the Meeting be adjourned.

Ayes: Members Srodek, Major, Lukas, Hadwan, Chowdhury, Khan and Obaid

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED.

The Meeting adjourned at 9:09 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Salah Hadwan, Secretary

Approved:

Magdalena Srodek, President