

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 9, 2026 at 6:00 p.m. in the Administration Building, 3201 Roosevelt St, Hamtramck, MI 48212

The meeting was called to order by President Algahaim at 6:01 p.m.

Present: Members Algahaim, Obaid, Wolyniec, Algehaim and Miah

Absent: Members Watson and Farris

Pledge Of Allegiance

(Member Farris entered at 6:02 p.m.)

Acceptance of Agenda

It was moved by Member Obaid and seconded by Member Farris that the Hamtramck Board of Education approves the agenda with any additions or deletions.

Ayes: Members Algahaim, Obaid, Wolyniec, Algehaim, Farris and Miah

Nays: None

Absent: Member Watson

MOTION CARRIED

Acknowledgements

The Board thanked and acknowledged Mrs. McBryar, who is retiring after more than 30 years of service to the District. She has been an integral part of the District and will truly be missed.

(Member Watson entered at 6:06 p.m.)

Reports to the Board**Optimists Club Speech Competition**

Rahiel Housey along with Heather Walsh presented on behalf of the Optimists Club Speech Competition. Students who spoke about their participation were Muhsin Alhadi, Faiza Azrin, Nabihah Chowdhury and MD Miah.

Student Advisory Council

Mohammed Rahman along with another student gave a presentation on the newly established Student Advisory Council. They provided an overview and explained how they plan on proceeding.

Student Recognition (WIDA Testing)

The MLD Department presented students who recently tested out of WIDA with certificates acknowledging their accomplishments. Those students were:

A Binte-Arif, ECE
E Al-Qartahi – Tau Beta
H Alnamer – Holbrook
I Datta – D East
S Saleh – D East
Z Al Qasem - Kosciuszko

3rd and final read of Board Policy 2006 - Behavior

The Student Code of Conduct will include a procedure for considering and disposing of recommendations by the administration for long term suspensions (in excess of 10 school days) and expulsions. The procedure will be consistent with this policy.

Long Term Suspensions and Expulsions. The Board of Education delegates to the Superintendent the authority to issue long-term suspensions, not to exceed 30 days, pursuant to legally-compliant procedures set forth in the Student Code of Conduct. The Superintendent's decision on such suspensions will be final. The Board of Education retains the authority to issue suspensions longer than 30 days and all expulsions. The Superintendent is authorized to take action to facilitate any hearing before the Board of Education.

Financial Report/Investments

Interim Superintendent Larson-Shidler gave detailed reports to the Board on finances, grants, investments, major improvements, etc.

(Member Farris left at 6:52 p.m.)

Audience Participation (Agenda Items Only)

*This portion of the agenda is for citizens to address **questions or comments pertaining to the agenda**. The Board will listen, take comments and questions under advisement, and not respond at this time. The presiding officer will refer questions to the superintendent for research and response. Persons wishing to address the Board of Education must complete an audience participation form and submit it to the Board's President before the meeting starts. Forms must be filled out completely to be accepted.*

N/A

Action Items

General Fund
Board Report
September 9, 2026

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.

James Larson-Shidler
Interim Superintendent of Schools

APPROVAL OF INVOICES AND CHECK REGISTER

It was moved by Member Wolyniec and seconded by Member Watson that the Check Register for the period August 13, 2026 – September 9, 2026 as enclosed, be approved.

Ayes: Members Algahaim, Obaid, Wolyniec, Watson, Algehaim and Miah

Nays: None

Absent: Member Farris

MOTION CARRIED

ADOPTION OF BOARD POLICY - BEHAVIOR

It was moved by Member Wolyniec and seconded by Member Algehaim that the Board of Education does hereby adopt the **Policy for Behavior, Policy 2006**, as submitted.

Ayes: Members Algehaim, Obaid, Wolyniec, Watson, Algehaim and Miah

Nays: None

Absent: Member Farris

MOTION CARRIED

APPROVAL OF PURCHASE

It was moved by Member Algehaim, and seconded by Member Obaid that the Board of Education does hereby approve the purchase of the **ELlevation ML Data Management Subscription** with Licenses, Data Implementation and Online Training, total cost of \$87,600.00

Ayes: Members Algehaim, Obaid, Wolyniec, Watson, Algehaim and Miah

Nays: None

Absent: Member Farris

MOTION CARRIED

APPROVAL OF EMPLOYMENT

It was moved by Member Obaid and seconded by Member Miah that the Board of Education does hereby approve the employment of **Tina Kelly** as the MTSS Specialist for Hamtramck Public Schools, annual salary of \$100,264.00 (Step 3 pro-rated) effective September 10, 2026.

Ayes: Members Algahaim, Obaid, Wolyniec, Watson, Algehaim and Miah

Nays: None

Absent: Member Farris

MOTION CARRIED

APPROVAL OF EMPLOYMENT

It was moved by Member Wolyniec and seconded by Member Algehaim that the Board of Education does hereby approve the employment of **Wendy Taylor** as the Payroll Coordinator for Hamtramck Public Schools, annual salary of \$79,083.00 (pro-rated per start date) effective September 14, 2026.

Ayes: Members Algahaim, Obaid, Wolyniec, Watson, Algehaim and Miah

Nays: None

Absent: Member Farris

MOTION CARRIED

APPROVAL OF EMPLOYMENT

It was moved by Member Obaid and seconded by Member Wolyniec that the Board of Education does hereby approve the following individuals as Coaches for the Fall Sports Season as listed:

Stypula-Nawrocki	Dominika	J.V. Boys Soccer	Head Coach	High School
Stypula-Nawrocki	Dominika	Middle School Boys Soccer	Head Coach	Middle School
Stypula-Nawrocki	Dominika	Varsity Soccer Boys	Assistant Coach	High School
Celic	Rahmijia	Varsity Soccer Boys	Head Coach	High School
Celic	Rahmijia	Middle School Boys Soccer	Head Coach	Middle School
Jones	Amir	Boys Varsity Football	Head Coach	High School
Taver Jr	Samuel	Boys Varsity Football	Assistant Coach	High School
Young Jr	Lionel	Boys Varsity Football	Assistant Coach	High School
wilson	Kirron	Boys Varsity Football	Assistant Coach	High School
White	Rayn	Boys Varsity Football	Assistant Coach	High School
Seawood	Eileen	Middle School Girls Cheer	Head Coach	Middle School
Hill	Kaitlyn	Middle School Girls Cheer	Assistant Coach	Middle School
Ewing	Tarsara	High Schools Varsity Cheer	Head Coach	High School
Jordan	Titania	High Schools Varsity Cheer	Assistant Coach	High School
Oatis	Dallas	High School Girls Varsity Volleyball	Head Coach	High School
Greogry	Amber	High School Girls Varsity Volleyball	Assistant Coach	High School
McMahan	MacKenzie	Middle School Girls Volleyball	Head Coach	Middle School
Hill	Brittney	Girls Middle School Basketball	Head Coach	Middle School
Blackledge	Jackson	High School Boys Varsity Tennis	Assistant Coach	High School
Sell	Conner	High School JV Tennis	Head Coach	High School
Foster	Dennis	High School Cross Country	Head Coach	High School

Ayes: Members Algahaim, Obaid, Wolyniec, Watson, Algahaim and Miah

Nays: None

Absent: Member Farris

MOTION CARRIED

CONSENT AGENDA

It was moved by Member Obaid and seconded by Member Algeham that the Board of Education approves the following items under the Consent Agenda:

- a. Approval of Minutes:
 1. Regular Meeting Minutes of August 12, 2026
- b. Approval of Employment – Employment of **Nurat Billah**, SE Paraprofessional at Dickinson West, \$24.21 per hour, maximum of 35 hours per week, effective August 31, 2026.
- c. Approval of Employment – Employment of **Sasha Evans**, SE Paraprofessional at Hamtramck High School, \$22.15 per hour, maximum of 35 hours per week, effective August 31, 2026.
- d. Approval of Employment – Employment of **Amber Gregory**, SE Paraprofessional at Tau Beta, \$24.21 per hour, maximum of 35 hours per week, effective August 31, 2026.
- e. Approval of Employment – Employment of **Valerie Hartzler**, SE Paraprofessional at Dickinson East, \$24.21 per hour, maximum of 35 hours per week, effective August 31, 2026.
- f. Approval of Employment – Employment of **Anupama Khess**, SE Paraprofessional at Dickinson West, \$24.21 per hour, maximum of 35 hours per week, effective August 31, 2026.
- g. Approval of Employment – Employment of **Juliana Weathersby**, SE Paraprofessional at Kosciuszko Middle School, \$21.12 per hour, maximum of 35 hours per week, effective August 31, 2026.
- h. Approval of Employment – Employment of **Farisa Zarin**, SE Paraprofessional at Tau Beta, \$24.21 per hour, maximum of 35 hours per week, effective August 31, 2026.
- i. Approval of Employment – Employment of **Mutahhara Jannat**, At Risk Paraprofessional at Early Childhood Elementary, \$19.57 per hour, maximum of 30 hours per week, effective September 8, 2026.
- j. Approval of Employment – Employment of **Ahmed Kassem**, Recreation Aide, \$14.00 per hour, maximum of 30 hours per week, effective August 31, 2026.

- k. Approval of Employment – Employment of **Donna Carter**, SE Self Contained Teacher at Dickinson West, Step 8 for a Master's Degree, effective August 31, 2026.
- l. Approval of Employment – Employment of **Adisa Dukovic**, ML Teacher, Step 4 for a Bachelor's Degree, effective August 31, 2026.
- m. Approval of Employment – Employment of **Rajaa El Rifai**, Math Teacher at Hamtramck High School, Step 6 for a Bachelor's Degree, effective August 31, 2026.
- n. Approval of Employment – Employment of **Christopher Heckathorn**, PE Teacher at Hamtramck High School, Step 6 for a Bachelor's Degree, effective August 31, 2026.
- o. Approval of Employment – Employment of **Lucas Tafelski**, Social Studies Teacher at Holbrook Elementary School, Step 1 for a Bachelor's Degree, effective August 31, 2026.
- p. Approval of Employment – Employment of **Edward Withers**, SE Resource Room Teacher at Hamtramck High School, Step 6 for a Master's Degree, effective August 31, 2026.
- q. Approval of Employment – Employment of **Rahi Begum**, 3rd Grade Teacher at Dickinson West Elementary, Step 7 for a Bachelor's Degree, effective August 31, 2026.
- r. Approval of Employment – Employment of **Mubasshira Jannat**, ML Teacher, Step 3 for a Bachelor's Degree, effective August 31, 2026.
- s. Approval of Employment – Employment of **Rabija Halilovic**, Social Worker at Dickinson East Elementary, Step 8 for a Master's Degree, effective August 31, 2026.
- t. Approval of Employment – Employment of **Cortez Pittman**, Social Worker at Hamtramck High School, Step 6 for a Master's Degree, effective August 31, 2026.
- u. Approval of Employment – Employment of **Kathryn Seib**, Art Teacher at Tau Beta/Early Childhood Elementary, Step 2 for a Bachelor's Degree, effective August 31, 2026.
- v. Approval of Employment – Employment of **Clark Eagling**, CTE Computer Teacher at Hamtramck High School, Step 8 for a Bachelor's Degree, effective August 31, 2026.

- w. Approval of Employment – Employment of **David Cameron** SE Teacher at Hamtramck High School, Step 8 or a Master's Degree, effective August 31, 2026.
- x. Approval of Employment – Employment of **Asha Hossain**, 6th Grade Teacher at Dickinson West Elementary, Step 1 for a Bachelor's Degree, effective August 31, 2026.
- y. Approval of Employment – Employment of **Syeda Rizvi**, Science Teacher at Holbrook/Tau Beta, Step 8 for a Master's Degree, effective August 31, 2026.
- z. Approval of Employment – Employment of **Ali Al-jouni**, Science Teacher at Hamtramck High School, Step 8 for a Bachelor's Degree, effective August 31, 2026.
- aa. Approval of Employment – Employment of **Mone Knowles** Counselor at Hamtramck High School, Step 1 for a Master's Degree, effective August 31, 2026.
- bb. Approval of Employment – Employment of **Iman Al-Jahmee**, Math Teacher at Hamtramck High School, Step 6 for a Bachelor's Degree, effective September 8, 2026.
- cc. Acceptance of Resignation – Resignation of **Malcolm Edgar**, Floating Admin Assistant, effective August 21, 2026.
- dd. Acceptance of Resignation – Resignation of **Theresa Gunn**, Music Teacher, effective August 31, 2026.
- ee. Acceptance of Resignation – Resignation of **Phillip Leslie**, Math Teacher at Kosciuszko, effective August 31, 2026.
- ff. Acceptance of Resignation – Resignation of **Emily Bazini** Reading Interventionist at Tau Beta, effective August 31, 2026.
- gg. Acceptance of Resignation – Resignation of **Fanyah Nagi**, ML Paraprofessional at Early Childhood, effective August 31, 2026.
- hh. Acceptance of Resignation – Resignation of **Shammi Akther**, ML Paraprofessional at Dickinson East, effective August 31, 2026.
- ii. Acceptance of Resignation – Resignation of **Fanyah Nagi**, ML Paraprofessional at Holbrook Elementary, effective August 31, 2026.
- jj. Acceptance of Resignation – Resignation of **Mary Williamson**, Adult Education Teacher, effective August 31, 2026.

- kk. Termination of Employment – Termination of **Ashleigh Brock**, CTE Teacher, effective August 31, 2026.
- ll. Termination of Employment – Termination of **Farzana Akhanjee**, Foreign Language Teacher, effective August 31, 2026.
- mm. Termination of Employment – **Almina Muhamedovic**, Special Education Paraprofessional, effective August 31, 2026.
- nn. Acceptance of Resignations – Resignations of the following Recreation Program Workers, effective August 19, 2026:
1. Aujnae Carter
 2. Ajsa Kaltak
 3. Ella Morton
- oo. Acceptance of Resignation – Resignation of **Christopher Heckathorn**, PE Teacher at Hamtramck High School, effective September 2, 2026.
- pp. Acceptance of Retirement – Retirement of **Gregory Robinson**, Recreation Department Employee, effective September 3, 2026.
- qq. Acceptance of Resignation – Resignation of **Antonio Williams**, Behavior Interventionist. Effective September 8, 2026.
- rr. Acceptance of Resignation – Resignation of **Jillian Boston**, Payroll Coordinator, effective September 11, 2026.
- Ayes: Members Algahaim, Obaid, Wolyniec, Watson, Algahaim and Miah
- Nays: None
- Absent: Member Farris
- MOTION CARRIED**

Audience Participation

Therese Comor commented on a FOIA request that she submitted and she has still not received the information that was requested.

Toni Coral commented on Horizon High School and current conditions.

Kristen Hurt spoke about building leadership and how building leaders continue to go above and beyond.

Lawrence Stroughter thanked everyone for the recent improvements at HHS.

Josh Hansknecht also commented on the budget and how money is being spent.

Board Calendar Updates

October 7, 2026 at 6:00 p.m. – Regular Meeting

November 11, 2026 at 6:00 p.m. – Regular Meeting (changed to November 18th)

December 9, 2026 at 6:00 p.m. – Regular Meeting

The meeting was adjourned at 7:34 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Wolyniec, Secretary

Approved:

Abdulmalik Algahaim, President