

HOWARD GARDNER MI CHARTER SCHOOL (HGMICS)

Board of Trustees Public Meeting

1615 East Elm Street, Scranton, PA 18505

Tuesday, September 15, 2026

5:30 PM

AGENDA

Call to Order by Board President at _____ p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance led by School Board President, Sam Ceccacci

Roll Call:

Board Members _____ Voting:

Sam Ceccacci, President _____

Mary Beth D'Andrea _____

Dr. Catherine Richmond-Cullen,
Vice President _____

Al Dorunda _____

Dino Galli, Secretary _____

Wayne Evans _____

Michael Barbetti, Treasurer _____

Dr. Fran Langan _____

Suzanne Ambrogio-Jaffe _____

Judy Price _____

Laurie Cadden _____

Staff _____ Non-Voting:

Joe Ross, CEO _____

TreeAnne McEnery, Principal _____

John Marsico, Business Manager _____

Cathy Opshinsky, Dir Student
Services _____

Bert Gentilezza, Ex Dir. Integrated
School Operations _____

Public Comment on Agenda Items Only

Visitors may provide comment on items listed on the agenda. Names and School District of residence will be recorded before remarks are made.

I. **Approval of Minutes (Attachment B)**

Sam Ceccacci

Motion: Approve minutes from the August 18, 2026, HGMICS Board Meeting.

The motion is made by _____ and seconded by _____.

_____ Yes _____ No _____ Abstain _____ Absent

II. President's Report

Sam Ceccacci

III. Finance/Facilities Committee

Michael Barbetti

1. August 2026 Financial Report (Attachment C)

Motion: Approve the Financial Report through August 31, 2026, as reported and submitted.

The motion is made by _____ and seconded by _____.
_____ Yes _____ No _____ Abstain _____ Absent

2. Investment Committee

Motion: To approve the Investment Committee's authorization for HGMICS to invest up to \$1,000,000, divided equally among Peoples Security Bank, Fidelity Bank, and Nottingham Trust (Community Bank), subject to the terms and conditions approved by the Investment Committee.

The motion is made by _____ and seconded by _____.
_____ Yes _____ No _____ Abstain _____ Absent

3. Policy Review Summary (Attachment D)

Motion: Approve the Policy Review Summary, as reported and submitted.

The motion is made by _____ and seconded by _____.
_____ Yes _____ No _____ Abstain _____ Absent

III Personnel Committee

Dino Galli

1. August 2026 Personnel Activity Report (Attachment E)

Motion: Approve the August 2026 Personnel Activity Report as submitted.

The motion is made by _____ and seconded by _____.
_____ Yes _____ No _____ Abstain _____ Absent

IV. Academic Committee

**Dr. Catherine
Richmond-Cullen**

1. Schoolwide Title I Parent Engagement Policy (Attachment F)

Motion: Approve the Schoolwide Title I Parent Engagement Policy as submitted.

The motion is made by _____ and seconded by _____.
_____ Yes _____ No _____ Abstain _____ Absent

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| V. | Nominating Committee | Laurie Cadden |
| VI. | School Matters | Joe Ross |
| | 1. Administrative Updates (<i>Attachment G</i>) | |
| VII. | New Business | Sam Ceccacci |

Adjournment

Next Meeting Date: Tuesday, October 20, 2026 @ 5:30 PM