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School District of the City of Saginaw

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING – INTERVIEW SMOB

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June 3, 2026

Dr. Coleman called the meeting to order at 3:00 PM.

1. ATTENDANCE

Board of Education:	President, C. Coleman	Present
	Vice President J. Nash	Present
	Secretary V. Harrison	Absent
	Treasurer R. A. Knapp	Present
	Trustee J. Bady	Present (Arrive at 3:14 pm)
	Trustee J. Calhoun	Absent
	Trustee J. Seals	Present
Central Administration Staff:	SMOB D. Ramakrishnan	Absent
	Superintendent R. Roberts	Present

2. Presentations: SMOB Student Interview 2026-27

Dr. Coleman shared that the purpose of the meeting is to interview future Student Members of the Board for the 2026-27 school year. He said we will conduct interviews with eight candidates for the Student Member of the Board (SMOB).

Each Board Member reviewed their assigned questions.

Dr. Coleman called on the SUHS candidates 1st. Each student will come in and sit at the table for interviews. Dr. Coleman shared that the interview process will involve questions split between the Board Members, and each will have the same opportunity to answer of the other students interviewed.

A. SUHS SMOB Student Interviews 2026-27

1. Sydney Jones, current 11th grader, 3:00 P.M.
2. Caidin Dutton, current 11th grader, 3:15 P.M.
3. Adelita Marin, current 10th grader. 3:30 PM
4. Precious Guidry-Holmes, current 10th grader, 3:45 P.M.

B. SASA SMOB Student Interviews 2026-27

1. Bhuran Mattupalli, current 10th grader, 4:00 P.M.
2. Kasahn Byrd, current 10th grader, 4:15 P.M.
3. Ameer Aboughonem, current 10th grader, 4:30 P.M.
4. Charlotte Hinman, current 10th grader, 4:45 P.M.

Each Board Member presented their questions and students shared an answer for each question.

Dr. Coleman and the Board thanked students for coming and answering all the questions. He shared that they would hear back from the superintendent regarding the position. Dr. Roberts said the Board will deliberate and complete the information by tomorrow, and we will share it with the candidates.

3. Candidate Discussion

Board members had a lengthy discussion about scoring. Each Board Member shared how all candidates did an outstanding job and provided a lot of good, impactful information. Ms. Knapp shared that one school has a junior, and regardless of who we pick, “we will not lose out on who we pick, and they all are great candidates.”

The Board Members tallied their scores.

Dr. Coleman shared their results:

SUHS SMOB Student Interviews 2026-27	Total Score /Avg
1. Sydney Jones, current 11th grader,	= 118 /23.6
2. Caidin Dutton, current 11th grader,	= 165 / 33
3. Adelita Marin, current 10 th grader.	= 183 /36.6
4. Precious Guidry-Holmes, current 10th grader,	= 193 / 38

B. SASA SMOB Student Interviews 2026-27

1. Bhuran Mattupalli, current 10th grader,	=194 / 38.8
2. Kasahn Byrd, current 10th grader,	= 198 / 39.6
3. Ameer Aboughonem, current 10th grader,	=197 / 39.4
4. Charlotte Hinman, current 10th grader,	=195 / 39.0

Motion - SUHS

Moved by Ms. Knapp and supported by Dr. Bady, that Caidin Dutton, as the Class of 2027 Representative, and Precious Guidry-Holmes, as the Class of 2028, be appointed.

A voice call vote was taken on the motion. The results were as follows:

Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion Carried

Motion-SASA

Moved by Ms. Knapp and supported by Dr. Bady, that Kasahn Byrd, as the Class of 2028 Representative , be appointed.

A voice call vote was taken on the motion. The results were as follows:

Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion Carried

Dr. Coleman shared that we have concluded the work for our Special Board Meeting to select the Student Board Members for the year.

Note:

SASA – Diya Ramakrishnan – 12th - current SMOB continuing in 2026-27

SASA – Kasahn Bryd – 11th

SUHS - Caidin Dutton, -12th grader

SUHS - Precious Guidry-Holmes, 11th grader

4. Public/Union Comments

No public comments.

No union comments.

5. Final Board Comments

Mrs. Knapp – shared would like to work with Mrs. Seals to organize the process next year and have the SMOB on the Board before the school year ends.

Dr. Bady – shared she is never shocked by the talent we have in our district. Dr. Bady said each student was brilliant and prepared for the interviews and for the success of each school.

Mrs. Nash – No Comment

Mrs. Seals – she would like to thank every student who applied and came to the interview. She would like to thank the President, the Superintendent, and Ms. Vera Harrison for assisting her family member last week. Mrs. Seals shared how the community assisted a family at the graduation. She shared that next year, we need to explore the events we offer after Prom and after Graduation. Mrs. Seals shared that we need to get the community to go to the City Council to make it safe.

Dr. Roberts – No Comment

President Coleman – No Comment

6. Announcement Of Next Meeting

President Coleman announced there will be a Special Meeting - 2025-2026 Final Budget Revision Presentation on Wednesday, June 3, 2026, at 530 p.m., and a Special Meeting - Budget Presentation on Wednesday, June 10, 2026, at 5 p.m. and a Briefing Session on Wednesday, June 10, 2026, at 5:30 p.m., and the Special Meeting - Public Budget Hearing on Wednesday, June 17, 2026, at 530 p.m., and an Action Meeting on Wednesday, June 17, 2026, at 5:30 p.m., and a City/County/School Liaison Committee meeting on Thursday, June 18, 2026. The meetings will be held in the Board Room at the Administration Building, 550 Millard Street, Saginaw, MI, 48607.

7. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 5:25 p.m.

Submitted by: Kim Henderson