



Board of Directors Special Meeting Minutes

Higher Institute of Arts and Technology (HIAT)
5861 Harrison Street Merrillville, IN 46410
Thursday, May 29, 2025 | 12:00 (CT)

I. Meeting Called To Order

The meeting was called to order by the Board Chair at 12:00 PM.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

The Board of Directors recited the pledge of allegiance.

III. Roll Call

Board Member Attendance

April Brown	Present
Stephanie Davis	Present
Bridgett Harris	Online <i>*departed at 12:38pm</i>
Sharla Johnson	Present
Charles Reese	Present
George Tucker	Online

a. Approval of Board Agenda

b. Approval of Board Minutes from April 4, 2025

Motion: Stephanie Davis Support: Charles Reese

The board unanimously voted to approve the board agenda and minutes.

IV. CMO Report

a. Financial Report

PLA CFO, Eva Spilker, presented the financial update and reported out on the income statement, cash balances, accounts payable balances, days cash, and the enrollment budget.

i. Approval of FY26 Budget

Motion: Charles Reese

Support: Stephanie Davis

Motion passed 6-0

b. Principal and Academic Board Report

PLA Regional Director, Erin Simpson, presented the principal and academic board report and provided updates on enrollment, end-of-year school data, next steps, celebrations, upcoming events, and building updates.

V. Committee Reports

- None

VI. Old Business/Discussion Items

- None

VII. New Business

a. Approval of 2025-26 Board Meeting Calendar

Motion: Stephanie Davis

Support: Charles Reese

The board unanimously voted to approve the 2025-26 Board Meeting Calendar.

b. Acknowledgement of Receipt of Employee Handbook

The Board acknowledged receipt of the Employee Handbook

c. Approval of Curriculum Renewal Purchases

- Eureka Math Squared Core Curriculum
- Eureka Math Square Digital Access
- Wit & Wisdom Core Curriculum
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Motion: Charles Reese

Support: Stephanie Davis

Motion passed 5-0

VIII. PTA

- None

IX. Open Communication

- None

X. Meeting Adjourned

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting.

Motion: Stephanie Davis Support: Charles Reese

The meeting was adjourned at 12:45 PM.