



Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Higher Institute of Arts and Technology (HIAT)
5885 Harrison Street Merrillville, IN 46410
Thursday, June 8, 2023 4:00 (CT)

I. Meeting Called To Order

The meeting was called to order by the Board Chair at 4:00 PM.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

The Board of Directors recited the pledge of allegiance.

III. Roll Call

Board Member Attendance

April Brown	Present
Bridgette Harris	Present
Sharla Johnson	Present
Stephanie Davis	Present
Charles Reese	Present
George Tucker	Present

a. Approval of Board Agenda

b. Approval of Board Minutes from April 13, 2023

Motion: Charles Reese Support: George Tucker

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

IV. CMO Report

a. Principal and Academic Support Update

Principal Acklin provided an update on enrollment, scholar attendance, staffing, end-of-year NWEA testing and events, Summer Advantage, and promotion ceremonies.

b. Enrollment Update

Student Enrollment Coordinator, Biafran Stiff, presented the enrollment data, recruitment strategies, and student engagement strategies.

c. Financials

Carlo Hershberger presented a financial review of the income statement, cash balances, accounts payable balances, days cash, and enrollment were presented.

i. Approval of FY24 Budget



Motion: George Tucker Support: Charles Reese
The board unanimously voted to approve the FY24 Budget.
Yays: 6 Nays: 0

V. Committee Reports

None

VI. Old Business

None

VII. New Business

- a. Approval of Addendum to Provide Student Transportation Services – ICSB, LLC

Motion: Charles Reese Support: George Tucker

The board unanimously voted to approve the ICSB, LLC addendum to provide student transportation services for the summer.

Yays: 6 Nays: 0

- b. Approval of Painting Contractor

Motion: Stephanie Davis Support: Charles Reese

The board unanimously voted to approve the contractor, Paint Perfection, LLC.

Yays: 6 Nays: 0

- c. Approval of PowerSchool Extension

Motion: Charles Reese Support: Bridgette Harris

The board unanimously voted to approve the PowerSchool extension.

Yays: 6 Nays: 0

- d. Approval for Board Chair, Sharla Johnson, to negotiate, sign, and execute the PLA agreement.

Motion: Bridgette Harris Support: George Tucker

The board unanimously voted to approve and allow Sharla Johnson to negotiate, sign, and execute the PLA agreement on behalf of the Board of Directors.

Yays: 6 Nays: 0

VIII. Parents

None

IX. Open Communication

Board President, Sharla Johnson, discussed presenting a proposal for a computer training program for scholars for the upcoming school year.



Founder, Dr. Henderson, commended the Board of Directors, Principal Acklin, and Phalen Leadership Academies on a successful school year.

Board Chair, Sharla Johnson, stated that several staff and faculty who did not produce results in areas of performance were released.

X. Meeting Adjourned

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting.

Motion: George Tucker

Support: Bridgette Harris

The meeting was adjourned at 4:58 PM.