



## Minutes of a Meeting of the Board of Directors

Wednesday, March 18, 2026

A session of the Board of Directors, Hayden Canyon Charter School, held Wednesday, March 18, 2026 at 7:00 p.m.  
Meeting to be held at 13590 N Government Way, Hayden, ID 83835.

- I. **Open the Meeting 7:05 pm**
  - A. **Board Members in Attendance:** Alex Tull, Hilary Whitcomb, Charlie Wolff, Stephen Preston
  - B. **Board Clerk:** Bridgette Dahlstrom
  - C. **Charter Administrator:** Sam Abrams
- II. **Pledge of Allegiance**
- III. **Board Member Installation**
  - A. Installation of Stephen Preston as Board Director
- IV. **Procedural Matters Action**
  - A. Motion to approve the Agenda with the amendment to add the Administrator search to Board Discussion items by Director Wolff, seconded by Director Preston. Motion carried unanimously.
  - B. Motion to move the regularly scheduled Board Meeting from April 15th to April 22 at standard time by Director Whitcomb, seconded by Director Wolff. Motion carried unanimously.
- V. **Unscheduled Delegations (Audience to Address the Board)**
- VI. **Consent Calendar Action**
  - A. Motion to approve the consent calendar without objection by Director Wolff. No objection, motion carried unanimously.
- VII. **Budget and Finance**
  - A. **Information Items:**
    1. February Finance Report
      - a) Refinance is on schedule and will close on March 24th
  - B. **Action Items:**
    1. Motion to approve the February expense report by Director Whitcomb, seconded by Director Preston. Motion carried unanimously.
- VIII. **Board Decisions (Discussion and Action Items)**
  - A. Admin Update
    1. Student intent to returns have been received, lottery draw complete
      - a) Seat applications continue to be received and offers sent for grades that have openings
    2. Discussion regarding feasibility of bus routes next year; need bus drivers to move forward
    3. Board would like to see staff contracts prior to April 22, 2026
    4. No action taken on Admin update
  - B. Parent Pathway Charter Amendment
    1. Sam is requesting the Board authorize him to petition IPCSC to develop a hybrid model for all students
      - a) Students would enroll in HCC, attend some mandatory experiences on campus, but also have the opportunity to learn at home for core classes.
      - b) Approval of amendment must be received from commission before this option may be further explored.
    2. Motion for the Board to authorize Sam to petition the commission on behalf of the board for expanded educational opportunities by Director Whitcomb, seconded by Director Wolff. Motion carried unanimously.

- C. Admin Update Template
  - 1. Board will be creating a template for Administrator updates so there is consistent information for monthly reports
  - 2. No action taken
- D. School Pulse Survey
  - 1. Draft survey prepared by Director Whitcomb under direction of the Board.
  - 2. Director Wolff expressed the opinion that the collection of survey data would be under Administration, results of survey would be presented to the Board.
  - 3. Director Preston expressed the opinion that the survey does not provide tangible metrics that the Board could take action on.
  - 4. No action taken.
- E. Personnel
  - 1. Jennifer Hanes proposed to fill Para position recently vacated by Mari Wynn
  - 2. Motion to approve the hire of Jennifer Hanes by Director Preston, seconded by Director Whitcomb. Motion carried unanimously.
- F. Proximity Temp Psych Contract
  - 1. Proximity currently provides speech services for HCC
  - 2. Recommended temp Psych contract to help cover services as needed at this time
  - 3. Motion to postpone item F to next scheduled Board meeting by Director Preston, seconded by Director Wolff. Motion carried unanimously.
- G. Motion to approve Audit Engagement Letter with Quest by Director Wolff, seconded by Director Preston. Motion carried by majority vote; Director Wolff and Director Preston in affirmative, Director Whitcomb abstained.

**IX. Motion to enter Executive Session** §74-206(1)(b) *To consider the disciplining of a public school student, §74-206(1)(b) To consider the dismissal of an employee, and §74-206(1)(d) To consider records that are exempt from disclosure*, by Director Wolff

Roll call vote:

Director Wolff: Aye

Director Preston: Aye

Director Whitcomb: Aye

Director Tull: Aye

Board moved to executive session at 8:38pm

Board exited executive session at 11:09pm

**A. Action After Executive Session**

- 1. Motion to move forward with negotiating contract buyout of Employee 1 as proposed by Administration by Director Wolff, seconded by Director Preston. Motion carried unanimously.
- 2. Motion to not accept the contract buyout for Employee 2 by Director Whitcomb, seconded by Director Wolff. Motion carried unanimously.

**X. Future Agenda Items**

- A. Policies - Board Retreat

**XI. Adjournment 11:14**

- A. Board Chair called