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E.L. Haynes Public Charter School

Minutes

E.L. Haynes Board of Trustees Special Meeting

Date and Time

Tuesday August 4, 2026 at 6:00 PM

Location

Virtual, zoom link provided in calendar invitation

Trustees Present

F. Sutton (remote), G. Oleaga Cala (remote), J. Hanna (remote), J. Niles (remote), L. Johnson-Law (remote), L. Robinson Mills (remote), M. Kovner (remote), N. Gordon (remote), R. Jones (remote), R. Laine (remote)

Trustees Absent

K. Simpkins

Guests Present

A. Brooks

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance

B. Call the Meeting to Order

F. Sutton called a meeting of the board of trustees of E.L. Haynes Public Charter School to order on Tuesday Aug 4, 2026 at 6:06 PM.

C.

Public Comment

The following community members shared perspectives related to aftercare cost, communication, and literacy needs during public comment:

- Zach Israel
- Cynthia Newell

II. CEO Updates

A. CEO Updates

CEO T. Barton shared updates related to student space at Kansas Ave, staff returning for the start of the school year, and previewing The Haynes Way to provide consistency and cohesion for staff, students and families across PK-12.

III. Governance

A. Confirm Upcoming Board Meeting Dates

A. Brooks shared the SY26-27 board meeting dates, which will be posted on the Organizational Transparency page of the website.

IV. Audit, Finance, and Facilities

A. Update on Facilities

J. Rydstrom shared an update on the facility acquired, timeline for working with architects, and opportunities for the community to provide input and through upcoming community webinars.

B. Enrollment Ceiling Increase Overview

T. Barton and J. Rydstrom provided an overview of the vision and strategy for the enrollment increase, noting the community's desire to smooth out the current enrollment pattern by adding additional seats to the elementary school.

Trustees provided comments in support of the increase, including the following:

"It's exciting to see the growth and the advantages it will have from grade to grade." - R. Laine

"This has been years in the making. This is what we hoped when we opened in 2004 so it's exciting to see, and want to thank everyone for the endless hours of work put into this. It's exciting to be at this point." - J. Niles

C. Vote on Enrollment Ceiling Increase

F. Sutton made a motion to apply to increase the enrollment ceiling 1,200 to 1,600 students starting in school year 2027-2028.

R. Laine seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

V. Closing Items

A. Adjourn Meeting

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 6:49 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
F. Sutton