

# Great Hearts Louisiana Board of Directors Meeting Unapproved Minutes

Date: September 13, 2023  
Time: 6:00 p.m. CDT

A regularly scheduled meeting of the Great Hearts Louisiana Board of Directors was held at 11801 Bluebonnet Boulevard in Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

## I. Call to Order

Mr. Dyke called the meeting to order at 6:06 p.m. CDT and confirmed a quorum.

Louisiana Board Members		Present	Absent	
Wade Dyke	Chairman	X		
Adonica Pelichet Duggan	Vice Chairman	X		
David Whidden III	Secretary	X		
Kathy Victorian	Treasurer	X		via Zoom
Ty Gose	Director	X		
Elisha McCardell	Director	X		via Zoom
Erin Franco	Director		X	
<b>Other Staff/Guests</b>				
Sam Heisman	Founding Head of School	X		
Bianca Ulibarri	Director of Governance, GH America	X		
Ron Zorowski	Chief Financial Officer, GH America	X		via Zoom
India Walker	Senior Finance Manager	X		
Holly Manuel	Incoming Senior Finance Manager	X		

## II. Renewal of Board Member Terms

Ms. Pelichet Duggan moved to renew the Board Terms for all the Board members; Mr. Gose seconded the motion. All in favor, none opposed. The motion passed at 6:07 p.m. CDT.

## III. Election of Board Officers

Mr. Whidden moved to renew and approve the current slate of officers; Mr. Gose seconded the motion. All in favor, none opposed. The motion passed at 6:08 p.m. CDT.

## IV. Adoption of Agenda

Mr. Whidden moved to defer item 6 to the November meeting and adopt the agenda with this change; Mr. Gose seconded the motion. All in favor, none opposed. The motion passed at 6:08 p.m. CDT.

## V. Approval of Consent Agenda:

- a. Approval of July 12, 2023 Board Meeting Minutes

- b. Approval of Administration of Auto-Injectable Epinephrine Medication Policy
- c. Approval of Diabetes Policy
- d. Approval of Illness Policy
- e. Approval of Immunization and Communicable Disease Policy
- f. Approval of Medication Administration Policy

Mr. Gose moved to approve the consent agenda as presented; Mr. Whidden seconded the motion. All in favor, none opposed. The motion passed at 6:09 p.m. CDT.

**VI. Creation of Disciplinary Committee and Approval of the Out-of-School Suspension/Expulsion Policy and Procedures.**

This item was tabled and will be deferred to the November Board meeting.

**VII. Head of School Update**

Mr. Heisman updated the Board on the opening of the school. He discussed the top three wins and success the school had including classroom culture, parent, and sports engagement. Mr. Heisman also discussed the challenges the school is facing including special education services and student transportation. The Board discussed and strategized the different approaches the team can take to ensure the school has reliable and consistent transportation for their students. Mr. Heisman presented the Board on his goals for each quarter and will present the quarter 1 results at the next scheduled board meeting.

**VIII. Finance Update**

**a. Discussion and Consideration to Approve and Adopt the updated 2023-2024 Annual Budget and Board Resolution**

Mr. Zoromski announced that Ms. Walker will be leaving the GH Team and introduced Holly Manual, who will be replacing her as the new Senior Finance Manager. He presented the FY2024 Budget Assumptions and proposed FY2024 Budget that included additional detail and further breakdown of the items to meet the state's requirements. Ms. Pelichet Duggan moved to approve and adopt the 2023-2024 Annual Budget and Board Resolution as presented; Mr. Gose seconded the motion. All in favor, none opposed. The motion passed at 6:52 p.m. CDT.

**IX. Adjourn**

Mr. Whidden moved to adjourn the meeting; Ms. Pelichet Duggan seconded the motion. All in favor, none opposed. The motion passed at 7:12 p.m. CDT. The meeting was adjourned at 7:12 p.m. CDT.

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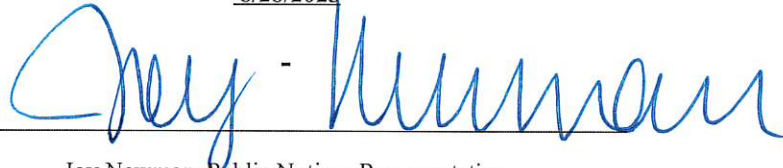
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PUBLIC NOTICE

Pursuant to La. R.S. 39:130(B) NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the final adoption of the 2023-2024 Fiscal Year budget for Great Hearts Louisiana (Operating Great Hearts Harveston, a Charter School) will be considered at a meeting of the Board of Director on Wednesday, September 13, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. to be held at Great Hearts Harveston, 11801 Bluebonnet Blvd., Baton Rouge, LA 70810. As of the date of this published notice, a copy of the proposed budget is available online at <https://louisiana.greatheartsamerica.org/governance/> and on file in the front office of Great Hearts Harveston, 11801 Bluebonnet Blvd., Baton Rouge, LA 70810 where the same is open for public inspection.

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