



Hogan Preparatory Academy

Minutes

Hogan Preparatory Academy Special Board Meeting

Date and Time

Friday July 24, 2026 at 1:00 PM

Location

Notice is hereby given that the Hogan Preparatory Academy Board will conduct a virtual Special Board Meeting at 2:00 PM on Friday, July 24, 2026.

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82049722078?pwd=tHEYaxKrgpECYLVdQyhvwdlh4EpuTN.1>

Meeting chat link

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Directors Present

Brandy Palacios (remote), Daniel Smith (remote), Danielle Binion (remote), Erin Lenihan (remote), Joel Ritchie (remote), Natalie Lewis (remote)

Directors Absent

Pokam Ngomsi

Directors who arrived after the meeting opened

Brandy Palacios

Guests Present

Annelise Thurber (remote), Janice Thomas (remote), Nicole Smith (remote), Phil Lascuola (remote), Tamara Burns (remote)

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance and Guests

Brandy Palacios arrived.

B. Call the Meeting to Order

Danielle Binion called a meeting of the board of directors of Hogan Preparatory Academy to order on Friday Jul 24, 2026 at 1:04 PM.

C. Adoption of Agenda

Daniel Smith made a motion to Approve agenda.

Erin Lenihan seconded the motion.

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

Roll Call

Joel Ritchie	Aye
Danielle Binion	Aye
Pokam Ngomsi	Absent
Erin Lenihan	Aye
Natalie Lewis	Aye
Brandy Palacios	Absent
Daniel Smith	Aye

D. Comments from Public

E. Comments from the Board President

F. Comments from the Superintendent

Dr. Tamara Burns:

- Welcomed Dr. Nicole Smith to the team
- Provided dates when staff will return

II. Consent Agenda

A. Approve HPA HR New Hire Report

Daniel Smith made a motion to Approve HPA HR New Hire Report.

Erin Lenihan seconded the motion.

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

Roll Call

Natalie Lewis	Aye
Danielle Binion	Aye
Daniel Smith	Aye
Erin Lenihan	Aye
Pokam Ngomsi	Absent
Brandy Palacios	Absent
Joel Ritchie	Aye

B. 2026-27 Blackstone Security Contract

Daniel Smith made a motion to Approve the 2026-27 Blackstone Security Contract.

Erin Lenihan seconded the motion.

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

Roll Call

Danielle Binion	Aye
Brandy Palacios	Absent
Joel Ritchie	Aye
Pokam Ngomsi	Absent
Erin Lenihan	Aye
Natalie Lewis	Aye
Daniel Smith	Aye

C. 2026-27 HPA BOD Appointments

D. HPA BOD June 22, 2026 Meeting Minutes

Daniel Smith made a motion to approve the minutes from Hogan Preparatory Academy Board of Directors Meeting on 06-22-26.

Erin Lenihan seconded the motion.

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

Roll Call

Brandy Palacios	Aye
Danielle Binion	Aye
Joel Ritchie	Aye
Natalie Lewis	Aye
Daniel Smith	Aye
Erin Lenihan	Aye
Pokam Ngomsi	Absent

III. HPA BOD Finance Committee

A. HPA Finance Committee Report

Daniel Smith made a motion to Approve the HPA Finance Committee Report.

Erin Lenihan seconded the motion.

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

Roll Call

Erin Lenihan	Aye
Daniel Smith	Aye
Brandy Palacios	Aye
Joel Ritchie	Aye
Natalie Lewis	Aye
Danielle Binion	Aye
Pokam Ngoms	Absent

B. Approve Expenses

Daniel Smith made a motion to Approve Expenses.

Erin Lenihan seconded the motion.

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

Roll Call

Brandy Palacios	Aye
Erin Lenihan	Aye
Joel Ritchie	Aye
Danielle Binion	Aye
Pokam Ngoms	Absent
Natalie Lewis	Aye
Daniel Smith	Aye

IV. Old Business

A. Citation

Director Danielle Binion, President: Discussed the citation she received. Dana Cutler, attorney is working on it.

V. New Business

A. HPA Charter Contract

Erin Lenihan made a motion to Approve HPA Charter Contract.

Daniel Smith seconded the motion.

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

Roll Call

Joel Ritchie	Aye
Danielle Binion	Aye
Brandy Palacios	Aye
Pokam Ngoms	Absent
Daniel Smith	Aye
Erin Lenihan	Aye
Natalie Lewis	Aye

B. 2026-27 HPA Family/Student Handbook

Natalie Lewis made a motion to Approve the 2026-27 HPA Family/Student Handbook.

Brandy Palacios seconded the motion.

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

Roll Call

Pokam Ngomsi Absent

Brandy Palacios Aye

Erin Lenihan Aye

Natalie Lewis Aye

Daniel Smith Aye

Danielle Binion Aye

Joel Ritchie Aye

C. 2026-27 HPA Employee Handbook

Natalie Lewis made a motion to Approve the 2026-27 HPA Employee Handbook.

Brandy Palacios seconded the motion.

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

Roll Call

Natalie Lewis Aye

Brandy Palacios Aye

Pokam Ngomsi Absent

Daniel Smith Aye

Joel Ritchie Aye

Erin Lenihan Aye

Danielle Binion Aye

D. HPA Fence Quote

Erin Lenihan made a motion to Approve purchase of fence up to \$30,000.

Natalie Lewis seconded the motion.

Phil Lascuola: Presented issue and need for fence.

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

Roll Call

Daniel Smith Aye

Erin Lenihan Aye

Natalie Lewis Aye

Joel Ritchie Aye

Brandy Palacios Aye

Pokam Ngomsi Absent

Danielle Binion Aye

VI. Closing Items

A.

Motion to Adjourn to Closed Session

Natalie Lewis made a motion to go into RSMo § 610.021. Closed meetings and closed records authorized when, exceptions, sunset dates for certain exceptions (1) Legal actions, causes of action or litigation involving a public governmental body and any confidential or privileged communications between a public governmental body or its representatives and its attorneys.... 3) Hiring, firing, disciplining or promoting of particular employees by a public governmental body when personal information about the employee is discussed or recorded.....(13) Individually identifiable personnel records, performance ratings or records pertaining to employees or applicants for employment. Erin Lenihan seconded the motion.

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

Roll Call

Daniel Smith	Aye
Joel Ritchie	Aye
Pokam Ngoms	Absent
Danielle Binion	Aye
Erin Lenihan	Aye
Natalie Lewis	Aye
Brandy Palacios	Aye

B. Motion to Adjourn to General Session

Erin Lenihan made a motion to Adjourn to General Session.

Brandy Palacios seconded the motion.

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

Roll Call

Danielle Binion	Aye
Pokam Ngoms	Absent
Joel Ritchie	Aye
Erin Lenihan	Aye
Natalie Lewis	Aye
Brandy Palacios	Aye
Daniel Smith	Aye

C. Adjourn Meeting

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 1:46 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Danielle Binion