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BOARD OF TRUSTEES
JULY 24, 2026 SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
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Date: July 24, 2026

Time: 2:00 p.m.

Place: HTH Conference Room, 2861 Womble Rd. San Diego, CA 92106
Village-based Zoom accessibility:
Conference Room, High Tech High Mesa, 5331 Mt Alifan Dr, Bldg. 900 San Diego, CA 92111
Conference Room, High Tech Middle North County, 1460 W San Marcos Blvd, San Marcos, CA 92078
Conference Room, High Tech High Chula Vista, 1945 Discovery Falls Dr, Chula Vista, CA 91915

Zoom(Video):
https://hightechhigh-org.zoom.us/j/87253242480?pwd=MIqXo2lR4PpTSRnwxOx92IUptT1Yxw.1&jst=2

Trustees present: Gary Jacobs, Chairman; Christine McComish, Secretary; Albert Lin, Trustee, Grace Carris, Student Trustee, Maria Corrales, Student Trustee

Board Member	Present
Gary Jacobs, Chairperson	X
Christine McComish, Secretary	X
Albert Lin, Trustee	X
Lida Rafia, Trustee	
Randolph Ward, Trustee	
Grace Carris, Student Trustee	X
Maria Corrales, Student Trustee	X

Staff Present: Diana Cornejo-Sanchez, CEO; Isaac Jones, COO; Bobbi Norris, CFO; Patrick Frost, GC; Janie Griswold, CLO; Veronica Martinez, Interim Executive Assistant to the Officers

Others present: Michelle Vera, interpreter
High Tech High staff
Members of HTH community

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CALL TO ORDER at 2:11 p.m. by Gary Jacobs, Chairman. A roll call of trustees confirmed a quorum.

1.0 BOARD CONSENT ITEMS

1.1 Approve the June 18, 2026 Regular Meeting Minutes

1.1.1 Discussion: Staff members provided the Board an opportunity to review and discuss the Board consent agenda items.

1.1.2 Motion: There being no further discussion upon motion duly made by Christine McComish and seconded by Albert Lin, a roll call was taken to approve the motion.

Board Member	Ayes	Nos	Abstain	Absent
Gary Jacobs, Chairperson	X			
Christine McComish, Secretary	X			
Albert Lin, Trustee	X			
Lida Rafia, Trustee				X
Randolph Ward, Trustee				X
Grace Carris, Student Trustee	X			
Maria Corrales, Student Trustee	X			

2.0 INFORMATION ITEMS

2.1 Report of the Officers

Officer comments included the following:

- None.

3.0 COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

3.1 Members of the public were provided time to address the board.

4.0 BOARD REPORT AND COMMENTS

4.1 Chairman's Report

4.2 Board Member Comment

Chairman and Board Member comments included the following:

- Grace Carris, a senior at High Tech High International (HTHI), introduced herself as a new student board member for the 2026–27 school year. Grace shared her enthusiasm for the opportunity to serve on the Board and represent the student perspective.

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- Isabella Corrales, a senior at High Tech High Mesa (HTHM), also introduced herself as a new student board member for the 2026–27 school year. Isabella shared her enthusiasm for serving on the Board and briefly reflected on her internship experience with Diana Cornejo-Sanchez, CEO, which prepared her to take on this new role.

5.0 CEO CONSENT ITEMS

5.1 Approve the Creation of the New Job Classification of School Psychologist Advisor, Unrepresented

5.2 Approve the Blocksi - Content Filtering & Classroom Management - 3 Year Contract Agreements

5.3 Approve the 2026-27 NWEA MAP Growth Assessment Subscription Agreement

5.1.1-5.3.1 Discussion: Staff members provided the Board an opportunity to review and discuss the CEO consent agenda items. Trustee Lin requested additional clarification regarding Item 5.2. COO Jones and Secretary McComish explained that the program would provide teachers with greater visibility into students' computer usage. Trustee Lin also requested clarification regarding Item 5.1. Director of Human Resources Kristy Renken explained that the proposed position would provide additional support for the Program Specialist role and would work with the 16 school psychologists to evaluate, coach, and provide oversight. CEO Cornejo-Sanchez added that, as discussed previously, the position would provide an additional layer of intervention and support for the Special Education (SPED) program. Secretary McComish inquired whether an individual had already been selected for the position. CEO Cornejo-Sanchez clarified that, upon approval of the position, the team would begin the interview process.

5.1.2-5.3.2 Motion: There being no further discussion upon motion duly made by Christine McComish and seconded by Isabella Corrales, a roll call was taken to approve the motion.

Board Member	Ayes	Nos	Abstain	Absent
Gary Jacobs, Chairperson	X			
Christine McComish, Secretary	X			
Albert Lin, Trustee	X			
Lida Rafia, Trustee				X
Randolph Ward, Trustee				X
Grace Carris, Student Trustee	X			
Maria Corrales, Student Trustee	X			

6.0 ACTION ITEMS

6.1 Approve Increases to Various Frameworks and Statement Regarding Overtime for Non-Exempt Staff

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6.1.1 Discussion: Staff recommends the Board Approve Increases to Various Frameworks and Statement Regarding Overtime for Non-Exempt Staff. Secretary McComish wondered if this means that we signed an increase. CEO Conejo-Sanchez confirmed that this took place in early July. Director of Human Resources Kristy Renken added that this was also necessary to ensure compliance with STRS requirements, which prompted the issuance of the overtime statement.

6.1.2 Motion: There being no further discussion upon motion duly made by Grace Carris and seconded by Albert Lin, a roll call was taken to approve the motion.

Board Member	Ayes	Nos	Abstain	Absent
Gary Jacobs, Chairperson	X			
Christine McComish, Secretary	X			
Albert Lin, Trustee	X			
Lida Rafia, Trustee				X
Randolph Ward, Trustee				X
Grace Carris, Student Trustee	X			
Maria Corrales, Student Trustee	X			

6.2 Approve the Updated Emergent Multilingual Learner (EML) Guiding Plan

6.2.1 Discussion: Staff recommends the Board Approve the Updated Emergent Multilingual Learner (EML) Guiding Plan. Trustee Lin requested clarification regarding the changes made to the plan. CEO Cornejo-Sanchez explained that Director of EML Education Maria Elena Valenzuela worked on this plan, which public schools are required to use to identify and define the supports available to multilingual students. Secretary McComish added that student, parent, and teacher feedback was incorporated into the plan's development to ensure the EML program is integrated into the broader educational experience.

6.2.2 Motion: There being no further discussion upon motion duly made by Christine McComish and seconded by Albert Lin, a roll call was taken to approve the motion.

Board Member	Ayes	Nos	Abstain	Absent
Gary Jacobs, Chairperson	X			
Christine McComish, Secretary	X			
Albert Lin, Trustee	X			
Lida Rafia, Trustee				X
Randolph Ward, Trustee				X
Grace Carris, Student Trustee	X			
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7.0 CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

7.1 No action was taken.

8.0 RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

8.1 N/A

9.0 ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to be brought before the Board, it was the consensus of the Board to adjourn the meeting at 3:11 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by: Signed by: Christine McComish 9AF86F1FA4834A8...

Christine McComish, Secretary, High Tech High Board