

# Hawthorn Academy

## Board of Directors Meeting

**Date:** June 19, 2026

**Location:** 9062 S 2200 W, West Jordan, UT 84095

**In Attendance:** Tori Williams, Donald McNeill, Tammi Wright, Meggen Pettit, Jamie Dickinson, Heidi Scott, Janielle Edwards

**Others In Attendance:** Floyd Stensrud, Priscilla Stringfellow, Kim McVey, Hannah Dorius, Karin Petty



## MINUTES

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### CALL TO ORDER

Tori Williams called the meeting to order at 12:54PM.

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

### PUBLIC COMMENT

- Amplify CKLA – Grades K–5
- Amplify ELA – Grade 6
- McGraw Hill StudySync – Grades 7–9

The Board opened the floor for the second required public comment period on the proposed Amplify CKLA (Grades K–5), Amplify ELA (Grade 6), and McGraw Hill StudySync (Grades 7–9) curricula, satisfying the state-law requirement of public comment at no fewer than two board meetings. There were no public comments received.

### CONSENT ITEMS

- 05.13.2026 Board Meeting & Closed Session Minutes

Donald McNeill made a motion to approve the 05.13.2026 Board Meeting & Closed Session Minutes. Tammi Wright seconded. Motion passed unanimously. *Votes were as follows: Tori Williams, Aye; Donald McNeill, Aye; Tammi Wright, Aye; Meggen Pettit, Aye; Jamie Dickinson, Aye; Heidi Scott, Aye; Janielle Edwards, Aye.*

**CLOSED SESSION** - to discuss the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an individual pursuant to Utah Code 52-4-205(1)(a) and/or to discuss pending or reasonably imminent litigation pursuant to Utah Code 52-4-205(1)(c).

At 12:56PM Tammi Wright made a motion to approve the convene in closed session pursuant to Utah Code 52-4-205(1)(a) and/or 52-4-205(1)(c). Meggen Pettit seconded. Motion passed unanimously. *Votes were as follows: Tori Williams, Aye; Donald McNeill, Aye; Tammi Wright, Aye; Meggen Pettit, Aye; Jamie Dickinson, Aye; Heidi Scott, Aye; Janielle Edwards, Aye.*

At 2:40PM, Tammi Wright made a motion to leave the closed session and re-enter the general meeting. Janielle Edwards seconded. Motion passed unanimously. Votes were as follows: *Tori Williams, Aye; Donald McNeill, Aye; Tammi Wright, Aye; Meggen Pettit, Aye; Jamie Dickinson, Aye; Heidi Scott, Aye; Janielle Edwards, Aye.*

## **VOTING AND DISCUSSION ITEMS**

- Director Employment Agreement

This item was discussed in closed session.

Donald McNeill made a motion to approve the Director Employment Agreement. Heidi Scott seconded. Motion passed unanimously. Votes were as follows: *Tori Williams, Aye; Donald McNeill, Aye; Tammi Wright, Aye; Meggen Pettit, Aye; Jamie Dickinson, Aye; Heidi Scott, Aye; Janielle Edwards, Aye.*

## **REPORTS**

- Director's Report
  - Title IX Report

Floyd Stensrud presented the Director's Report including the Title IX Report. There are new Assistant Principals joining both campuses for the 26/27 school year.
- Finance Report
  - Fraud Risk Assessment & Annual Commitment to Ethical Behavior

Kim McVey presented the Fraud Risk Assessment. This assessment is required by the State each year. Hawthorn Academy is considered "Very Low Risk" for fraud.

## **VOTING AND DISCUSSION ITEMS**

- 2026/2027 Proposed Budget

The board is asked to approve the proposed budget for the 2026/2027 fiscal year. The proposed budget is balanced and designed to support Hawthorn Academy's mission while ensuring compliance with all financial policies and regulations. Kim McVey presented the prepared budget. The budget is created based on 1300 students. This is a conservative estimate.

*Karin Petty joined the meeting at 3:14PM.*

- 2025/2026 Amended Budget

The Board is asked to approve the amended budget for the 2025/2026 fiscal year, reflecting final adjustments based on actual revenues and expenditures. Variances are due to changes in enrollment, program costs, staffing adjustments, and unanticipated expenses and/or savings.

- Amplify CKLA – Grades K–5
- Amplify ELA – Grade 6
- McGraw Hill StudySync – Grades 7–9

Karin Petty presented the curriculum to the board. The Amplify curriculum are 5-year contracts. The Board is asked to approve the Amplify ELA curriculum for Grade 6, the McGraw Hill StudySync curriculum for Grades 7–9, and the Amplify CKLA curriculum for Grades K–5. Per state law, board approval is required prior to implementation, and public comment has been received at no fewer than two board meetings. The curriculum has been made available for public review.

*Karin Petty left the meeting at 3:27PM.*

- Audit Engagement Letter (Statement of Work)

The Board is asked to approve the audit engagement letter with Eide Bailly LLP, the school's audit firm for prior years. Services include audited financial statements, agreed-upon procedures for student enrollment, state compliance procedures, and a single audit if federal expenditures exceed \$1M. A designee will sign the engagement letters at a later date.

- 2026/2027 TSSA Plan

The Board is asked to approve the 2026/2027 Teacher and Student Success Act (TSSA) Plan as required by SB 149 (2019). The plan outlines how funds will be allocated to support student achievement and teacher effectiveness for the upcoming school year.

- Mental Health Grant

The Board is asked to approve the School-Based Mental Health Qualified Grant and associated funding allocation. This optional grant provides funding for qualified personnel, counseling support, and intervention strategies to improve student well-being and engagement. This grant must be approved every three years. This grant will continue to pay for the school counselor.

- Door Locks Purchase

The Board is asked to approve the purchase of door locks for Hawthorn Academy to enhance facility safety and security. At the May 13, 2026 board meeting, Les Olson and Verkada presented two options; the board deferred a vote to allow further review. The board is now asked approve a vendor and purchase amount.

- iReady Purchase

The Board is asked to approve the purchase of the iReady diagnostic and instructional platform, providing individualized assessments and adaptive instruction in reading and mathematics to support targeted teaching for each student.

- SHiNE Policy

The Board is asked to re-approve the SHiNE Policy as required annually by law, with no changes to the school's designated high-needs areas. Revisions have been made in consultation with accounting and legal counsel regarding prorated salary supplements for teachers who separate before payment and for teachers hired after the certified recipient list is finalized, along with minor additional revisions.

Tammi Wright made a motion to approve the 2025/2026 Amended Budget, 2026/2027 Proposed Budget, Amplify CKLA – Grades K–5, the Amplify ELA curriculum for Grade 6, McGraw Hill StudySync – Grades 7–9, the Audit Engagement Letter with Eide Bailly, the 2026/2027 Teacher and Student Success Act (TSSA) Plan as discussed, Mental Health Grant, the Door Locks Purchase up to \$306,000, the iReady Purchase up to \$23,250, and the SHiNE Policy. Meggen Pettit seconded. Motion passed unanimously. *Votes were as follows: Tori Williams, Aye; Donald McNeill, Aye; Tammi Wright, Aye; Meggen Pettit, Aye; Jamie Dickinson, Aye; Heidi Scott, Aye; Janielle Edwards, Aye.*

## **CALENDARING**

- Annual Board Meeting Calendar

The board reviewed the 2026/2027 Board Meeting Calendar.

The next board meeting is scheduled for September 9, 2026.

## **ADJOURN**

At 3:54PM Meggen Pettit made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Heidi Scott seconded. Motion passed unanimously. *Votes were as follows: Tori Williams, Aye; Donald McNeill, Aye; Tammi Wright, Aye; Meggen Pettit, Aye; Jamie Dickinson, Aye; Heidi Scott, Aye; Janielle Edwards, Aye.*

**Hawthorn Academy**  
**Closed Session Statement**

**Meeting Date:** 06.19.2026

**Location:** 9062 S 2200 W.  
West Jordan, UT 84088



**CLOSED SESSION SWORN STATEMENT:**

At a duly noticed public meeting held on the date listed above, the board of directors for Hawthorn Academy entered into a closed session for the sole purpose of discussing the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an individual in accordance with Utah Code Ann. 52-4-2(1)(a).

I declare under criminal penalty under the law of Utah that the foregoing is true and correct.

Signed on the 19<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2026, at 9062 S 2200 W, West Jordan, UT 84088, Utah.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Tori Williams'.

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Tori Williams, Board Chair