



Edward Hynes Charter School Corporation
Minutes from

Board Meeting- September 14, 2026
Special Board Meeting- October 20, 2026



**Edward Hynes Charter School
990 Harrison Avenue
New Orleans, LA 70124**

Board of Directors Meeting
Monday, September 14, 2026

Board Members Present: Bill Chauvin, Alvin C. Miester III, Barbara Richard, Helene Derbigny

Board Members Absent: Cassandra Youmans, Curtis Pellerin, Jan Janz

Others Present: Michelle Douglas, Shawne Favre, Shawn Persick, Anne Kramer, John Starr, Mike Townsend, Brandi Huling, Stephen Goodly, Margo Johnson, Brittany Smith, Donald Hess, Montana Cortez, and 1 family member.

Alvin C. Miester III, Board President, called the meeting to order at 5:03 pm and proceeded with the agenda.

1. **Approval of the agenda.** Barbara Richard made a motion to approve the September 14, 2026, meeting agenda. Helene Derbigny seconded the motion. With no public comment, the motion carried by a unanimous vote of board members present.
2. **Approval to amend the minutes for August 17, 2026, Board Meeting.** Bill Chauvin made a motion to amend the minutes from the August 17, 2026, board meeting. Helene Derbigny seconded the motion. With no public comment, the motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote of board members present.
3. **Approval of the amended minutes.** Bill Chauvin made a motion to waive the reading of and to approve the amended minutes from the August 17, 2026, board meeting minutes. Barbara Richard seconded the motion. With no public comment, the motion carried by a unanimous vote of board members present.
4. **Public comment.** Parent shared concerns about the onboarding of new teachers and training, specifically their access to students' plans and some curriculum.
5. **CEO's report.** Michelle Douglas- see reporting documents.
6. **Facilities report.** Mike Townsend- see reporting documents.
7. **Legal committee report.** None.



8. Financial report. Shawne Favre- see reporting documents.

- a. Financial statements for Hynes-Lakeview, Hynes-UNO, Hynes-Parkview, and Hynes-CMO/Network.

9. HR report. None.

10. Friends of Hynes report. Bill Chauvin updated those present with the status of the Hynes-UNO PAC building.

11. Old business. None.

12. New business.

- a. Bill Chauvin made a motion to authorize the CEO to extend the contact with Kim4Kids to include PT services during the staffing shortage with other providers. Helene Derbigny seconded the motion. With no public comment, the motion carried by a unanimous vote of board members present.
- b. Barbara Richard made a motion to review and approve the renewal of the 2026-2027 services contract with Crescent City Schools. Helene Derbigny seconded the motion. With no public comment, the motion carried by a unanimous vote of board members present.

With no further business to discuss, a motion to adjourn was made by Bill Chauvin, seconded by Helene Derbigny, and passed unanimously by a vote of board members present. The meeting was adjourned at 5:47 pm.



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990 Harrison Ave.

Lakeview

New Orleans, LA, 70124

Board of Directors Special Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, October 20, 2026

Board Members Present: Alvin C. Miester, III, Cassandra Youmans, Bill Chauvin, Helene Derbigny and Jan Janz

Board Members Absent: Barbara Richard and Curtis Pellerin

Others Present: Michelle Douglas, Shawn Persick, Shawne Favre, John Starr, Brittany Smith, Montana Cortez, Stephen Goodly, and representative from the Sisung Group

Alvin Miester, III, Board President, called the meeting to order at 5:38 pm and proceeded with the agenda.

1. **Approval of agenda.** Jan Janz made a motion to approve the October 20, 2026, special board meeting agenda. Helene Derbigny seconded the motion. With no public comment, the motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote of board members present.
2. **Public comment.** Brittany Smith expressed gratitude to the board on behalf of the Hynes-LSU New Orleans staff regarding the support for this resolution and pending construction of the new facility.
3. **Old business.** None.
4. **New business.**
 - a. Bill Chauvin moved to approve the resolution authorizing and approving the execution of certain documents relating to the issuance, in one or more series, on a taxable or tax-exempt basis, of revenue bonds to finance certain facilities; authorizing the execution of such certificates, documents, and/or instruments necessary or incidental thereto, including an Amendment to the Lease with Hynes Charter School Corporation, an Amendment to the Lease with LSU New Orleans, and other matters in connection therewith. Cassandra Youmans seconded the motion.
 - i. A roll call vote was taken as follows:
 1. Alvin C. Miester, III – Yes
 2. Cassandra Youmans – Yes
 3. Bill Chauvin – Yes
 4. Helene Derbigny – Yes
 5. Jan Janz – Yes
 6. Absent: Barbara Richard and Curtis Pellerin
 - ii. The motion passed by a vote of 5–0, with 2 members absent.

With no further business to discuss, a motion to adjourn was made by Bill Chauvin, seconded by Helene Derbigny, and passed unanimously by a vote of board members present. The meeting was adjourned at 5:55 pm.