MINUTES
Heritage Academy Charter Schools, Inc.
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Heritage Academy

Date: October 9, 2026
Time: 12:00 p.m.
Location: 1301 Waters Ridge Drive, Lewisville, Texas 75057
Meeting Type: Regular
Attendees: Kent Sparks, Vice President (via video conference); Dr. Lisa Bowen, Secretary; Rick Fengler, Board Member; Delilah Lopez Loy, Board Member; Amie Giacumakis, Board Member.

Ben Klingenstein, President, was absent

Rick Fengler, Board Member, called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m.

1. **Executive Report**
   Kathleen Zimmermann presented the 2025-26 Financial Integrity Rating System of Texas (FIRST) for Heritage Academy**.**

2. **Consent Items**
   Motion: Amie Giacumakis moved to approve consent items 1-9 as presented.
   Second: Delilah Lopez Loya
   Vote: 5-0 in favor

   1. Consider Approval of District Financial Reports.
   2. Consider approving the payment of bills.
   3. Consider approving the resolution authorizing the submission of an application for a Texas virtual high school campus operated by Blue-X Virtual Learning.
   4. Consider approving the submission of Non-Expansion amendments to the TEA for grade level changes.
   5. Consider approving a waiver of 19 TAC §89.1207, which states the LEA does not have the appropriately certified educators for its required bilingual or English as a second language (ESL) program.
   6. Approve the minutes from the board meeting held on August 28, 2026.
   7. Consider approving the Board Policy related to operational delegation.
   8. Consider approving the appointment of member(s) to the Student Health Advisory Council.
   9. Consider approving the updates to the Employee Handbook.

Board Member Rick Fengler adjourned the meeting at 12:08 p.m.

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Dr. Lisa Bowen, Secretary	Date

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HERITAGE ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL, INC.
RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE CHANGE OF GRADE LEVELS FOR THE 2026-2027 SCHOOL YEAR

WHEREAS, Heritage Academy Charter Schools, Inc., a Texas nonprofit corporation, seeks to increase the choice of learning opportunities within the Texas public school system;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Heritage Academy Board of Directors ("Board") for Heritage Academy (015815) approves the submission of a charter amendment to the Texas Education Agency and approves the change in grade levels for Heritage Academy of Windcrest (015-815-001), from grades PreK-5, to grades PreK-12 for the 2026-2027 school year.

By 5 to 0 majority vote of members of the Board, this resolution was (Check one.) ✓ approved ___ disapproved at a lawfully called meeting on October 9, 2026, and as indicated by their signatures below.

Absent
Ben Klingenstein, President — Date

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Kent Sparks, Vice President — Date: 10/9/2026

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RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OF

HERITAGE ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL, INC.

A Texas Non-profit Corporation

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF AN APPLICATION FOR A TEXAS VIRTUAL HIGH SCHOOL CAMPUS OPERATED BY BLUE-X VIRTUAL LEARNING

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors hereby authorizes submitting an application to the Texas Education Agency for a virtual campus, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the application is to be for the virtual school described below. Heritage Virtual Academy of Texas A college-preparatory virtual school, serving grades 9-12, based on the ResponsiveEd iSchool Virtual Academy model of education.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Officers of the Corporation are hereby authorized to continue and complete the required year of pre-operational planning.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Officers of the Corporation are hereby authorized to submit the mandatory notice of intent, and the final application.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Officers of the Corporation are hereby authorized to operate the required pilot program in the current school year as a program of the existing school, Heritage Academy of Windcrest (015815001).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors hereby authorizes the execution of a turn-key virtual learning services agreement with Blue-X Virtual Learning , a dba of Bright Thinker, Inc. ("Blue-X"). Blue-X will be contracted initially to operate the pilot program and, pending approval from the Texas Education Agency, the virtual campus.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Officers of the Corporation are hereby authorized and directed to perform all duties necessary to apply, negotiate, establish terms, and sign necessary agreements to secure such school, including requesting a county-district-campus-number (CDCN).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Officers of the Corporation are hereby authorized and directed to perform all duties necessary to negotiate, establish terms, and sign necessary agreements to secure the pilot and final operating agreements with Blue-X.

We, the undersigned, being all of the members of the Board of Directors of the Corporation, do hereby individually and collectively consent by this writing to take the action, to adopt the resolutions, and to transact the business of the Corporation as set out in the above document.

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BOARD RESOLUTION
OF HERITAGE ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOLS, INC.
CHARTER HOLDER OF HERITAGE ACADEMY

WHEREAS, Heritage Academy Charter Schools, Inc., a Texas nonprofit corporation, seeks to increase the choice of learning opportunities within the Texas public school systems;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Heritage Academy Board of Directors requests a waiver of 19 TAC 89.1207, which states that the LEA does not have the appropriately certified educators for its required bilingual or English as a second language (ESL) program.

By 5 to 0 majority vote of members of the Board, this resolution was (Check one.) ✓ approved ___ disapproved at a lawfully called meeting on October 9, 2026, and as indicated by their signatures below.

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HERITAGE ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOLS
BOARD RESOLUTION FOR MEMBER APPOINTMENT TO THE LOCAL STUDENT HEALTH ADVISORY COUNCIL

WHEREAS, Texas Education Code Section 12.104 (b)(3)(DD) and Section 28.004 require open-enrollment charter schools to create a local student health advisory council, hereinafter referred to as the "SHAC"; and

WHEREAS, the purposes of the SHAC are (1) to assist Heritage Academy, a charter school operated by Heritage Academy Charter Schools, Inc. as the charter holder organization (hereinafter, the "District") in ensuring that local community values are reflected in the school's health education instruction, and (2) to make recommendations before a District(s) changes its health education curriculum or instruction; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors must appoint at least five members to the SHAC, a majority of which must be persons who are parents of students enrolled in each District and who are not employed by the District;

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors may also appoint one or more persons from each of the following groups or a representative from a group other than a group specified:

1. Classroom teachers employed by the District;
2. School counselors certified under Education Code Chapter 21, Subchapter B, employed by the District;
3. School administrators employed by the District;
4. District students;
5. Health-care professionals licensed or certified to practice in this state, including medical or mental health professionals;
6. The business community;
7. Law enforcement;
8. Senior citizens;
9. The clergy;
10. Nonprofit health organizations
11. Local domestic violence programs; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board approves that SHAC operate cooperatively and effectively as an advisory body for the benefit of students and adopts the following resolution:

The Board of Directors hereby appoints the following members to the SHAC:

1. Christian Bell, Parent
2. Narce Ponce, Parent
3. Rebecca Puente, Parent

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MINUTES
Heritage Academy Charter Schools, Inc.
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Heritage Academy

Date: August 28, 2026
Time: 12:00 p.m.
Location: 1301 Waters Ridge Drive, Lewisville, Texas 75057
Meeting Type: Regular
Attendees: Ben Klingenstein, President; Kent Sparks, Vice President (via video conference); Dr. Lisa Bowen, Secretary; Rick Fengler, Board Member (via video conference); Delilah Lopez Loya, Board Member.

Amie Giacumakis, Board Member, was absent

Ben Klingenstein, Board President, called the meeting to order at 12:08 p.m.

1. **Consent Items**
   Motion: Dr. Lisa Bowen moved to approve consent items 1-3 & 5-6 as presented. Item #4 was struck from the agenda.
   Second: Delilah Lopez Loya
   Vote: 5-0 in favor

   1. Consider approving the Annual certification of compliance for SB12.
   2. Consider approval to remove Derrick Armstead and appoint Anthony Edwards as primary request submitter designee/alternate.
   3. Approve the minutes from the board meeting held on June 12, 2026.
   4. ~~Consider approving the updates to the Employee Handbook.~~
   5. Consider approving the designation of non-business days.
   6. Consider approving district contracts.

2. **Closed Session**

   The Board went into Closed Session at 12:11 p.m. pursuant to Texas Government Code §551.076 & §551.089 to include a discussion of the Intruder Detection Audit Report Findings, Good Cause Exception Renewal, and the 2026 MEOP annual submission.

   The Board reconvened into Open Session at 12:14 p.m. and took the following action on items discussed in closed session.

   a. **Good Cause Exception**

   Motion: Dr. Lisa Bowen moved to approve the annual submission of the Good Cause Exception.
   Second: Delilah Lopez Loya

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Vote: 5-0 in favor

b. 2026 MEOP Annual Submission

Motion: Dr. Lisa Bowen moved to approve the annual submission of the Good Cause Exception.
Second: Kent Sparks
Vote: 5-0 in favor

Board President, Ben Klingenstein, adjourned the meeting at 12:14 p.m.

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Ben Klingenstein, President

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