



Independence Academy

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Board Meeting Minutes

June 29, 2026

5:00 P.M-Commons Area

Time zone: America/Denver

Google Meet joining info

Video call link: <https://meet.google.com/jxy-hbmr-www>

Brought to order: 5:08 pm

Present:

- **Brad Thompson**
Thomas Gibson
Jane Pizem
Lisa Sutherland
Travis Foor

I. Staff and Student Celebrations:

- A. Celebrated the amazing work that Mrs. Shrader and Mr. Shrader have been doing to make the middle school building!

- II. Public Comment:** Time-limited TBA – individuals may make public comments, limited to items on the agenda and two (2) minutes. The Governing Board asks that each member complete a public comment card, available in the front office, before the commencement of the meeting. Public comment cards should be given to the Executive Director, who will then deliver them to the Governing Board President.

III. Approval of the June 1, 2026, Board Minutes.

Motion: Jane Pizem

Second: Lisa Sutherland

Vote: 5-0 vote passes

IV. Approval of the May 2026 Financials.

Motion: Jane Pizem

Second: Travis Foor

Vote: 5-0 vote passes

Moved to executive session: 5:19 pm

Moved out of executive session: 6:03 pm

Executive Session: Pursuant to C.R.S §24-6-402(4)(b), Conferences with the attorney for the public entity, specifically to receive legal advice related to the denial by School District 51 of the charter school application and legal options.

C.R.S. 24-6-402 (4) The members of a local public body subject to this part 4, upon the announcement by the local public body to the public of the topic for discussion in the executive session, including specific citation to the provision of this subsection (4) authorizing the body to meet in an executive session and identification of the particular matter to be discussed in as much detail as possible without compromising the purpose for which the executive session is authorized, and the affirmative vote of two-thirds of the quorum present, after such announcement, may hold an executive session only at a regular or special meeting and for the sole purpose of considering any of the following matters; except that no adoption of any proposed policy, position, resolution, rule, regulation, or formal action, except the review, approval, and amendment of the minutes of an executive session recorded pursuant to subparagraph (II) of paragraph (d.5) of subsection (2) of this section, shall occur at any executive session that is not open to the public.

Enter Normal Session: 6:03 pm

Approval of filing an appeal of the charter school application, Resolution No. 2026-6-29

- Thompson: Yea
- Gibson: Yea
- Pizem: Yea
- Sutherland: Yea
- Foor: Yea

Vote: 5-0 vote passes

Adjourned: 6:08 pm