

Green Tech High Charter School
Board Meeting Minutes
Thursday, August 21, 2025

Present: Dona Bulluck, (Board Chair), Barry D. Walston, (virtual) Tony Kelley, Vinay Pai, (virtual), Izabella Martin, Thomas Mueller

GTH Staff: Tanya Ford, Dr. Andrea Lowe, Dr. Kimberly Davis (virtual), Monica Santiago, Stephen France, Lyndrell Randle, George Spencer
Paul Aguello, (Virtual), Boost Ed

The meeting was opened at 5:39 pm by the Board Chair, Dona Bulluck.

Motion:

Thomas Mueller, moved that the minutes of June 12, 2025, be approved. Barry Walston seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously.

Thomas Mueller moved to amend Article VI, paragraph C of the Bylaws of the Board of Trustees of the Green Tech Charter School, to read as follows, "Section C, paragraph 1. Appointment of Committees, The Board may create committees for any purpose. A board Committee will consist of not fewer than three Trustees who shall serve at the pleasure of the Chairperson of the Board, except that any executive committee of the board shall comprise not fewer than five trustees. Paragraph 2, Standing Committee shall read as follows, "the Board shall have a standing Finance Committee, chaired by the Treasurer." Paragraph 3, Authority of Board Committees, shall read as follows, "The Chairperson of the Board may delegate to a Board committee any of the authority of the Board, except with respect to:

- a. the election of Trustees;
- b. Filling vacancies on the Board or any committee which has the authority of the Board;
- c. The fixing of Trustee compensation for serving on the Board or any other committee;
- d. The amendment or repeal of Bylaws or the adoption of new Bylaws; and
- e. The appointment of other committees of the board, or the members of the committees;
- f. The amendment or repeal of any resolution of the Board which by its terms shall not be so amendable or repealable;
- g. The submission to the members of the Board or any action requiring Board approval under the Not-For-Profit Corporation Law;
- h. The election or removal of officers and directors;
- i. The approval or a merger or plan of dissolution;
- j. The adoption of a resolution recommending to the members action on the sale, lease, exchange or other disposition of all or substantially all of the assets of a corporation or, if there are no members entitled to vote, the authorization of such transaction; and
- k. The approval of amendments to the certificate of incorporation."

Paragraph 4 shall read as follows, "Procedures of the Committees. The Board may prescribe the manner in which the proceedings of any Board Committee are to be conducted. In the absence of such prescription, a Board Committee may prescribe the manner of conducting its proceedings, except that the regular and special meetings of the Committee are governed by the provisions of these Bylaws and the Open Meetings Law with respect to the calling of meetings."

Tony Kelly. seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously.

Thomas Mueller moved to adopt the Green Tech Charter School Section 504 Policy. Barry Walston seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously.

Thomas Mueller moved that hire of a new employee at a salary of at \$83,000 per year. Tony Kelly seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously. There will be a press conference on Tuesday, September 2, 2025 to publicly announce the new hire.

Finance Report – submitted by Paul Augello Jr. CEO and Co-Founder of BoostEd Finance. Reviewed by the Board Mr. Augello stated that he and his team are preparing for the audit.

The Board Chair, requested a 5 year summary with a brief summary for each year.

High School Principal Report – submitted by Andrea Lowe, presented and reviewed by the Board (Read Only -No Highlights)

It has been a great 2 weeks of Professional Development. We have nine new teachers who are learning about culture and the importance of good student relationships. One of the books that we are using is *Teach Like a Champ. 3.0* by Doug Lemov.

Middle School Principal Report - submitted by Kimberly Davis, presented and reviewed by the Board, (Read Only—No Highlights)

Our enrollment is higher than projected by 30 students. When asked if this increase posed any issues for Green Tech, Dr. Davis replied, no.

Director of Student Services Report - submitted by Lyndrell Randle, presented and reviewed by the Board. (Read Only – No Highlights)

Mr. Randle was very happy to report that they are finished with the Regents Exams.

A “Clap In,” by members of local D9 Fraternities take place again this year to welcome our students back to school. A “Back to School Night” is also being planned which has proven to help in building parental relationships.

Thomas Mueller asked that the Board receive a calendar of events so they can attend. Tony Kelley said that he would like to be more present at the Parent Teacher Meetings.

Director of Operations – submitted by Monica Santiago, presented and reviewed by the Board. (Read Only – No Highlights)

Ms. Santiago reported that over the summer she has been doing a lot of catching up. She has a walkthrough scheduled with the head of Vulcan next week and will update the Board of the findings in her next report.

Ms. Santiago has onboarded seven new employees and stated that she is confident with this process. She will facilitate both the Sexual Harassment and Conflict Resolution trainings.

Dona asked that the walkthrough results from NYSERTA be shared with the Board. We are looking to received a possible grant.

Barry Walston asked, “what does orientation look like?”

A flyer was shared that provided that, Grades 6, 7, and 8 will attend orientation Monday, August 25, 2025. Grade 9 will attend on Tuesday, August 26, 2025, while Grades 10, 11, and 12, will attend Wednesday, August 27, 2025.

The orientation will cover a review of the Green Tech way, identify expectations, collect student signatures on the Code of Conduct, and other matters of importance.

Executive Session

At 6:27 pm Izabella Martin moved that we go into Executive Session pursuant to Section 105 (f) of the New York State Open Meetings law to discuss

“the medical, financial, credit or employment history of a particular person or corporation, or matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal or removal of a particular person or corporation. Marie Allen-Campbell seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Thomas Mueller second the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

At 7:55pm Thomas Mueller moved that the board return to the open meeting. Barry Walston seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously

Thomas Mueller moved to adjourn the meeting. Tony Kelley seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously.

Adjournment

At 7:59 pm, our Board Chair, Dona Bulluck adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,
By Tanya Ford, Board Assistant