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NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

The Southern Nevada Trades High School (SNTHS) will conduct an in-person and virtual public meeting on campus on **Monday, March 9, 2026**, beginning at 5:00pm at 1580 Bledsoe Lane, Las Vegas, NV 89110 and on the following Google Meets link:

<https://meet.google.com/jtm-rgnc-pai>

This public meeting will be conducted in accordance with Nevada's Open Meeting Law, NRS 241.020.

Public Comment: Time for public comment will be provided at the beginning of the meeting regarding any agenda items on which action may be taken by the public body and again before the adjournment of the meeting on any matter within the jurisdiction of the Southern Nevada Trades High School Board. See NRS 241.020(2)(d)(3)(I).

Public comment may also be provided telephonically by utilizing the following conference call line +1 727-330-1795 PIN: 169 209 603#

Finally, public comment may also be submitted in writing via email at snthinfo@gmail.com and any such public comment received prior to or during the meeting will be provided to the Board and included in the written minutes of the meeting.

A time limit of three (3) minutes, subject to the discretion of the Chair, will be imposed on public comments in order to afford all members of the public who wish to comment an opportunity to do so within the timeframe available to the Board. Public comments will not be restricted based on viewpoint.

The Board reserves the right to take agenda items out of order, items may be removed or delayed from the agenda at any time, and two or more items may be combined for consideration.

Board Members:

Officers: Brett Willis, Chair; Rebecca Merrihew, Vice Chair; Lisa Jones, Treasurer; Kelly Gaines, Secretary.

Directors: Amber Hogan, Charles Landon, Tina Morgan, Kelly Suiter, Dan Wright & Carlos Zuluaga

Parent Member: Marcey Olivas

Board Members Absent:

Michael Van.

Guests:

Bob DeRuse, Advisory Board

Brain Holmes, and Miguel D'Escoto, EdTec

SNTHS Staff:

Candi Wadsworth, Principal



AGENDA

- 1) Call to Order & Roll Call.

Board Chair Brett Willis called the meeting to order at 5:00 PM and began recording.

- 2) Public Comment #1.

Public Comment will be taken during this agenda item regarding any item appearing on the agenda. No action may be taken on a matter discussed under this item until the matter is included on an agenda as an item on which action may be taken. See NRS 241.020. A time limit of three (3) minutes, subject to the discretion of the Chair, will be imposed on public comments. The Chair may allow additional public comment at his discretion. Public Comment #2 will provide an opportunity for public comments on any matter not on the agenda.

There was no public comment.

- 3) Approval of February SNTHS Board Meeting Minutes. The Board will review and possibly approve the minutes of the February 9th, 2026, Board Meeting. Brett Willis, Chair. ***For Possible Action.***

Rebecca Merrihew made a motion to approve the February minutes. Tina Morgan seconded. All in favor. No one opposed. Motion carried.

- 4) Committee Reports. ***Information/Discussion***

- a. Finance, Lisa Jones, Treasurer

Lisa Jones provided the bank balance of \$271,259.00. Lisa Jones informed the board that she is still working on closing the account with Genu Bank. The balance is roughly \$2,600 which will be moved into our other bank account.

- b. CTE Build, Rebecca Merrihew, Vice Chair

Rebecca Merrihew reported that the Ritchie Brothers are interested in evaluating the sheds to determine their potential auction value. The company will also handle transportation of the sheds and store them until they are auctioned. In preparation for the next set of sheds, 84 Lumber will be donating materials.

- 5) January 2026 Financials. Miguel D'Escoto from EdTec will present the financials to the Board for possible approval. ***For Possible Action***

Miguel d'Escoto went over January statements provided and were accessible with the meeting agenda.

Highlights: Revenue through January \$2,098,402.00, Expenses \$2,443,668.00, fundraising through February \$147,934.00. The forecast shows that without significant fundraising cash will run out at the end of March. The board discussed. Charles Landon motioned to approve the January 2026 financials. Lisa Jones seconded. All in favor. No one opposed. Motion carried.

- 6) Approval of Red Hook Second Amendment to Lease Agreement. Board Chair, Brett Willis, will share with the board the amended lease with Red Hook for possible approval.

For Possible Action

Board Chair Brett Willis informed the board that the second amendment has not yet been finalized and that an update will be provided once it becomes available. Board Chair Brett Willis also reported that Red Hook has



agreed to reduce the rent by roughly 40% over the next four years, with a 3% increase applied thereafter. The board reviewed the specific rent payment figures and discussed how enrollment levels and fundraising efforts may impact available funds. Because the amendment has not yet been finalized, the board will need to reconvene. After discussing availability, the board agreed to meet on March 23 at 5:00 PM.

- 7) Amendment to Grant Agreement executed April 30, 2022, between SNTHS and Friends of Ace High School. Board Chair, Brett Willis, will share with the board the amended grant agreement with Friends of Ace High School for possible approval.

For Possible Action

Board Chair Brett Willis presented the amended grant agreement with Friends of Ace High School. SNTHS has paid half of the grant to Friends of Ace High School. The original agreement required \$25,000 annual payments; however, the 2025 and 2026 payments have not been made. Friends of Ace High School are aware and have agreed with no penalties or additional fees. Tina Morgan motioned to approve the grant amendment to move last year's payment to February 1st, 2028, and this year's payment to February 1st, 2029. Tina Frias seconded. No one opposed. All in favor. Motion carried.

- 8) Approval of FY 26 Amended Budget. Miguel D'Escoto from EdTec will present the updated FY 26 Budget to the board for review and approval. ***For Possible Action***

Miguel D'Escoto presented the updated FY 26 budget. The board discussed that, even with leasing adjustments, the schools' expenses exceed the state and federal revenue alone. The amended budget will include raising \$708,000.00, projected enrollment of 257 students, and spending rates on expenses as well as the lease adjustments from Red Hook this year reducing the rent. Rebecca Merrihew made a motion to adjust the enrollment to 257 students and adopt the budget amendment. Dan Wright seconded. No one opposed. All in favor. Motion carried.

- 9) Strategic Operating Committee Update Report, Board Member, Kelly Gaines, will update the board on the progress made on the approved business plan. ***Possible Action***

Kelly Gaines provided an update on the progress of the approved business plan. She is working with consultants to develop the process for hiring an Executive Director and drafting the job description. Dan Wright continues to work on fundraising efforts, while Kelly has been focusing on grant opportunities.

- 10) Principal's Report. Principal Wadsworth will provide the Board with information and updates. ***Information/Discussion***

- Enrollment
 - Current enrollment is 252
 - Enrollment for 2026-27 is 236
- School Events/ fundraising
 - Forklift training for 12th graders March 11th and 12th
 - NV Energy Field Trip 10th grade March 12th
 - Beazer Day of Service March 20th
 - SPCSA yearly Attendance Audit March 24th
 - Women in Construction Luncheon March 26th
 - The covering field trip 10th grade April 1st



- Lennar Field Trip #4 April 2nd
- Job Fair on site April 17th @ 9:00AM
- 9th grade Science Test April 28th
- Internships/Hiring Update
 - Students have uploaded their current resumes.
 - Companies that have registered through our portal
 - Sierra Air Conditioning INC
 - Silver Lake Construction
 - Enix Mechanical
 - Redrock Insulation
 - Accu Grading and Paving Inc.
 - We need companies to start posting jobs and continue to register on jobstobuild site.
- Draft Dashboards for Review and Feedback
 - Board members found the dashboards beneficial.

11) Public Comment #2.

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There was no public comment.

12) Adjournment.

Board Chair Brett Willis adjourned the meeting at 6:33PM

Supporting materials for items listed on the above-referenced agenda are available, at no charge, at the Southern Nevada Trades High School website, <https://www.snvtradeshighschool.org/> and by contacting Candi Wadsworth, Principal, via email at snthinfo@gmail.com, or via phone at 702-706-1753.

In accordance with Nevada's Open Meeting Law, this public notice and agenda has been posted on or before March 4, 2026, as follows:

At the Southern Nevada Trades High School website <https://www.snvtradeshighschool.org/>
and
At the State of Nevada's official website, <https://notice.nv.gov/>



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DECLARATION OF POSTING

Pursuant to NRS 53.045, I declare under penalty of perjury that the following is true and correct:

That on or before February 4, 2026, this Public Notice and Agenda was posted at the above-referenced websites and locations.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'CWachstetter', is written over a light blue horizontal line.

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