



Regular Board Meeting Minutes
Thursday, November 10, 2022, 5:00 p.m.
 Posted in compliance with California Assembly Bill 361
 Location: Via Zoom Virtual Meeting Platform
[Zoom Link](#)
 Meeting ID: 829 8091 3041
 Password: JqU5rN¹

I. CALL TO ORDER

Board President Miles Remer called the meeting to order at 5:04 pm

II. ROLL CALL

Board Members: Miles Remer, Mary McCullough, Karina Fedasz, Raj Makwana, Julie Grimm, Ben Tysch, Suzanne Madison Goldstein, Matthew Swanlund
 Staff/Guests: Shawna Draxton, Jennie Brook, Mike Johnston
 Late: Fernando Guerra
 Absent: Susan Kim, Marlene Canter, Victoria Graf

III. VIRTUAL MEETING BOARD RESOLUTION PURSUANT TO AB 361

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| Item: | Board Resolution regarding Virtual Board Meetings pursuant to AB 361 |
| Description: | Consideration of resolution regarding necessity for continued virtual board meetings due to Emergency Declaration re COVID-19 Pandemic |
| Purpose: | Brown Act Compliance |
| Presented By: | Suzanne Madison Goldstein |
| Materials: | None |
| Est. Time: | 5 min |

Suzanne Madison Goldstein moved to approve this item, Raj Makwana seconded. The roll call vote was as follows:

¹ Please see Notice No. 2 at the end of this agenda for complete public access information. Please note that in compliance with the Brown Act, as modified by AB 361, the physical locations of individual participants are omitted.

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| Miles Remer, <i>President</i> | Y | Suzanne Madison Goldstein, <i>Vice President & Secretary</i> | Y |
| Dr. Vicki Graf | - | Dr. Mary McCullough | Y |
| Matthew Swanlund | Y | Benjamin Tysch | Y |
| Karina Fedasz | Y | Julie Grimm | Y |
| Raj Makwana | Y | Fernando Guerra | - |
| Marlene Canter | - | | |

IV PUBLIC COMMENT

None

V. ITEMS FOR BOARD INFORMATION AND/OR DISCUSSION, INCLUDING COMMITTEE AND SCHOOL LEADERSHIP REPORTS

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| Item #1: | Executive Director’s Special Report on COVID-19/Return to Campus, Independent Study, and Implementation |
| Description: | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Update on Distance Learning and Return to Campus (b) Food delivery/lunch program (c) Safe Schools Plan (d) Governance and board meetings (e) Employees and vendors (f) Graduation requirements (g) Attendance and Engagement Tracking (h) Learning Continuity and Attendance Plan (i) COVID update (j) ESSER Funds plan (k) Independent Study |
| Purpose: | Information and Discussion |
| Presented By: | Dr. Shawna Draxton |
| Materials: | To Be Distributed |
| Est. Time: | 15-20 min |
| Minutes: | <p>Very few COVID cases reported, but many flu cases. New WISH app has launched thanks to Jenny Teeman and other team members. Using ELLP funds at all of school sites and offering 9 hour program for some of our pupils and looking forward to hosting Winter Camp, Moving to phase one in Gates Grant 1, Teachers just went to NASA to lead PD for Gates Grant 3 which was very impactful, looking at district compared to district and state and seeing great improvement - almost double gains across all areas and subgroups!, Reading intervention one time funds are being used. WISH is seeing a ton of growth especially with youngest learners as much as 4-9 months. All grade levels are using ed software and are getting ready for mid year assessments</p> |

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| | <p>and teachers providing instructional support for gaps and learning identified in beginning of year assessments. School culture included ES Storybook parade, MS Fall Festival and HS door design contests were so much fun. Q2 productions include TK-5 getting ready for the International Festival, 6-8 National History Day and 9-12 Exhibitions. Submitted space requests via Prop 39 on November 1st. Thank you to Jennie Brook for her time on this project. Don't anticipate an overallocation fee for high school. Material revision is going before the district board next Tuesday. Have been asked to reduce TK-8 enrollment. Moving ahead with low incidence preference request. Working with own attorneys, Suzanne Goldstein and Jennie Brook to adjust language to get to a place where WISH and the district can agree on terms with this preference.</p> |
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| Item #2: | Executive Director Monthly Report |
| Description: | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (l) Academic Achievement Report (m) School Climate and Culture <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. NARCAN® (naloxone HCl) Nasal Spray (n) Human Capital |
| Purpose: | Information and Discussion |
| Presented By: | Dr. Shawna Draxton |
| Materials: | To Be Distributed |
| Est. Time: | 10 min |
| Minutes: | Enrolled all pupils going to enroll for this school year. WASC self study is happening this year. Hiring for the school year is complete and mandated training has been completed. Continue to discuss and learn during PD culturally responsive ways to working with students and staff. |

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| Item #3: | Finance Updates |
| Description: | Review of monthly financials and current/projected budget updates |
| Purpose: | Board Informative |
| Presented By: | Ben Tysch/ExED |
| Materials: | To Be Distributed |
| Est. Time: | 10 min |
| Minutes: | Met last week and reviewed financials. Fairly big changes to outlook due to changes with LAUSD. Projections are lower due to changes in enrollment. Plan to make some cuts this year so funds are available next year. Quality of programs will not be compromised. More discussions of changes to come at the next meeting. |

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| Item #4: | Legislative and General Updates/Brown Act Training and Compliance |
| Description: | Review of legal and legislative updates impacting charter governance (if any). Annual discussion of Brown Act policies. |

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| Purpose: | Board Informative, Understanding the Brown Act's Open Meeting Requirements. |
| Presented By: | Suzanne Madison Goldstein |
| Materials: | Powerpoint Presentation |
| Est. Time: | 5 min |
| Minutes: | Robust training occurred to provide all Board Members with understanding surrounding the statues, requirements, rights and participation guidelines per The Brown Act. Committee meetings were also discussed in detail. |

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| Item #5: | Development/WISHForward Updates |
| Description: | Review of development team's work and fundraising/planning re same |
| Purpose: | Board Informative |
| Presented By: | Karina Fedasz |
| Materials: | N/A |
| Est. Time: | 5 min |
| Minutes: | Goal is to have current year strategy document ready for the next board meeting. WISHForward.org website will be updated during Fall Break. Second party book event went very well and discussions are in place to hold an event to support and treat faculty members at new yoga studio. Upcoming Gala date is March 18 at The Proud Bird's ballroom which is a great connection to this year's school theme of Onward and Upward. Currently working on save the dates and sponsorship packages. |

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| Item #6: | Curriculum Update |
| Description: | Report from Curriculum Committee |
| Purpose: | Board Informative |
| Presented By: | Dr. Vicki Graf |
| Materials: | N/A |
| Est. Time | 5 min |
| Minutes: | No update at this time. |

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| Item #7: | CA School Dashboard Indicators |
| Description: | Discuss CA Dashboard items |
| Purpose: | Board Informative |
| Presented By: | Dr. Shawna Draxton |
| Materials: | CA Dashboard for WISH Community and Academy |
| Est. Time | 5 min |
| Minutes: | Reviewed dashboard with new board members. Data currently is suspended, so reviewed 2019 to show blue and green indicators. Shows how students are performing by subgroups. No 2019 data for the Academy. Looking forward to seeing 2021 data populate. An addendum has been provided to the state to show how WISH is currently performing. Great gains by students thanks to the hard work by our teachers over COVID. |

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| Item #8: | EL Outreach Update |
| Description: | Outcomes of past outreach/new strategies to be implemented |
| Purpose: | Oversight |
| Presented By: | Dr. Shawna Draxton |
| Materials: | See Executive Director's monthly report |
| Est. Time | 10 min |
| Minutes: | MS Principal Murphy is doing outreach this evening at a local school fair. WISH materials have been created in a variety of languages. Continuing to benefit from holding meetings online so can include translators and families can be with other folks who are dual language so they can understand their children's data and progress. Continue to change systems so that current English Learners and potential families who identify as English Learners can have all the supports they need to be successful with us. |

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| Item #9: | Board Development and Recruitment |
| Description: | Update |
| Purpose: | Discussion |
| Presented By: | Miles Remer |
| Materials: | None |
| Est. Time: | 10 min |
| Minutes: | Board is currently full, but always looking for new board members. |

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| Item #10: | Oversight Compliance Materials Review |
| Description: | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Policy Bulletin 5532.1 (co-location) 2) UCP policies, procedures and forms 3) LCAP 4) LAUSD's Keeping Parents Informed: Charter Public School Transparency Resolution 5) Ed Code 51224.7 (adoption of and compliance in board agendas and minutes) 6) Ed Code 215 (adoption and compliance of pupil suicide prevention policy) 7) Title IX materials |
| Purpose: | Review and discussion |
| Presented By: | Suzanne Madison Goldstein |
| Materials: | In Board Folder |
| Est. Time: | 10 min |
| Minutes: | Dr. Draxton reviewed all documents with the board to ensure that all members are familiar with these documents to ensure WISH is compliant with the state and district. |

VI. ITEMS FOR BOARD ACTION

A. CONSENT ACTION ITEMS: Items for action below assigned by the Board at the meeting to be adopted by a single vote. Any item may be pulled off of consent for further discussion by any Board Member at any time before action is taken.

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| Item #1: | Approval of Board Minutes from October 13 2022 (both written and audio) |
| Description: | Review and approve October 13, 2022 meeting minutes |
| Purpose: | Vote |
| Presented By: | Suzanne Madison Goldstein |
| Materials: | October Meeting Minutes |
| Est. Time: | 2 min |

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| Item #2: | Compliance Monitoring and Certification of Board Compliance Review |
| Description: | Review compliance binder; discussion and vote re same, signature from Board President on document |
| Purpose: | Discussion and vote |
| Presented By: | Suzanne Madison Goldstein |
| Materials: | Compliance Binder folder |
| Est. Time: | 5 min |

Ben Tysch moved to approve both items on the consent agenda, Karina Fedasz seconded. The roll call vote was as follows:

| Miles Remer, <i>President</i> | Y | Suzanne Madison Goldstein, <i>Vice President & Secretary</i> | Y |
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| Dr. Vicki Graf | - | Dr. Mary McCullough | Y |
| Matthew Swanlund | Y | Benjamin Tysch | Y |
| Karina Fedasz | Y | Julie Grimm | Y |
| Raj Makwana | Y | Fernando Guerra | Y |
| Marlene Canter | - | | |

B. ACTION ITEMS:

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| Item #1: | Notice to Cure dated October 19, 2022 re Enrollment – Board Response to Same |
| Description: | Response demanded by LAUSD on or before November 18, 2022 to Notice to Cure re Enrollment |
| Purpose: | Discussion, review and vote re formal response |
| Presented By: | Miles Remer |
| Materials: | Draft response in board folder |
| Est. Time | 10 min |

Discussion of Notice to Cure. Dr. Draxton explained that, consistent with overall declining enrollment in region, WISH predicted lower acceptance rates at various stages of enrollment (post-lottery, early summer, late summer) and adjusted offers accordingly. Received much higher acceptance rates than anticipated. In addition, discussion of protracted two year process of seeking material revision for increased enrollment which would have resolve the issue but was unnecessarily delayed. Board had questions around ways to adjust enrollment practices and reviewed/discussed framework for response to LAUSD. Julie Grimm moved to approve the draft response to be finalized depending upon outcome at 11/15 LAUSD board meeting; Suzanne Madison Goldstein seconded. The roll call vote was as follows:

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| Miles Remer, <i>President</i> | Y | Suzanne Madison Goldstein, <i>Vice President & Secretary</i> | Y |
| Dr. Vicki Graf | - | Dr. Mary McCullough | Y |
| Matthew Swanlund | Y | Benjamin Tysch | Y |
| Karina Fedasz | Y | Julie Grimm | Y |
| Raj Makwana | Y | Fernando Guerra | Y |
| Marlene Canter | - | | |

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| Item 2: | Retreat Contract Approval |
| Description: | Review and approve contracts for student retreat |
| Purpose: | Oversight |
| Presented By: | Jennie Brook/Mike Johnston |
| Materials: | Proposed 2022-2023 contract with: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Guided Discoveries/CIMI Toyon Bay (5th Grade) |
| Est. Time: | 5 min |

Raj Makwana moved to approve this item, Mary McCullough seconded. The roll call vote was as follows:

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| Miles Remer, <i>President</i> | Y | Suzanne Madison Goldstein, <i>Vice President & Secretary</i> | Y |
| Dr. Vicki Graf | - | Dr. Mary McCullough | Y |
| Matthew Swanlund | Y | Benjamin Tysch | Y |
| Karina Fedasz | Y | Julie Grimm | Y |
| Raj Makwana | Y | Fernando Guerra | Y |
| Marlene Canter | - | | |

VIII. CLOSED SESSION ITEMS:

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| Item #1: | Pending Litigation and/or Conference with Legal Counsel |
| Description: | <u>Purpose and Authority:</u> <u>Conference with legal counsel re pending action--</u> OAH Case No. 2021110011 -- In Re FEF |

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| | Closed session subject to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • California Government Code section 54956.9(d)(2) • California Government Code section 54956.9(d)(4) • California Government Code section 54956.9(e)(2) • California Government Code section 54956.9(e)(5) |
| Purpose: | Information and Discussion of Pending Litigation and/or Conference with Legal Counsel |
| Presented By: | Suzanne Madison Goldstein with counsel from YMC |
| Materials: | N/A |
| Est. Time | 10 min |

No closed session occurred.

IX ADJOURNMENT:

Board President Miles Remer adjourned the meeting at 6:11 pm.