<u>Regular Board Meeting Minutes</u>
<u>WISH Community TK-8 and WISH Academy 9-12</u>
<u>Thursday, April 23, 2026, 5:00 p.m.</u>
Location: In Person at the Address Below

WISH Community School (TK-5), 6550 W. 80th Street, Los Angeles, CA 90045*

*Secondary location available for teleconference access to the board meeting at WISH Community School (6-8)/WISH Academy High School, 7400 W. Manchester Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90045

and Via Zoom Virtual Meeting Platform
Zoom Link
Meeting ID: 829 8091 3041
Password: JqU5rN[1]

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I. CALL TO ORDER

President Raj Makwana called the meeting to order at 5:09 pm.

II. ROLL CALL

Board Members: Suzanne Madison Goldstein, Fernando Guerra, Ben Tysch, Raj Makwana, Dr. Victoria Graf
Staff/Guests: Jennie Brook, Dr. Shawna Draxton, Janine Bielski
Absent: Miles Remer, Karina Fedasz, Julie Grimm

Zoom Participants

[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.

	Dr. Mary McCullough

III. PUBLIC COMMENT

None

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

Item #1:	**Executive Director Monthly Report**
Description:	Comprehensive monthly report to the board on all operational and organizational matters, including academic achievement, climate and culture, human capital, health and safety, SSC and WCA, WCA Leadership, LCAP, WASC
Purpose:	Information and Discussion
Presented By:	Dr. Shawna Draxton
Materials:	To Be Distributed
Est. Time:	10 min
Minutes:	The Comprehensive Safety Plan was reviewed again as changes are being added for next school year. ELOP vendor meetings have occurred for planning next year. SARC/LCAP/WASC goals continue to be updated and reviewed by staff and stakeholders, very involved and wonderful parents who are providing feedback, Reports are linked. Dr. McCullough continues to be on campus weekly to help with math instruction. LMU Work Group session to occur in May to work on LMU MOU. In the process of looking at new lunch vendors, 3 new vendors are coming out. No new information on CA Dashboard, but looking at verified and internal data, no changes to the analysis shared, state testing continues. HS students are prepping for AP exams and EOY. School Culture for Quarter 4 includes WISHapalooza!, HS Little Shop of Horrors, MS Theatre Production, HS VAPA Show, Senior everything (Sundaes, commitments to college, sunset, prom, and more!), May 4th Golf Event is coming up. Prop 39 signed agreements linked for 25-26. Final offers received for 26-27. Thank you to the Board for their support with today's HS oversight visit! SSC meeting is on May 6. In full swing with interviews next year. Getting ready for renewal, no substantive changes to petition, plan is to submit in July. Focus areas in professional development continue to be Math and School Culture. OWL Proud surveys are done quarterly and sent out to students, parents receive the stand alone reminder each quarter and their survey is provided every week in the WISH Wise Weekly, EOY to teachers survey went out this week, the data gets evaluated by faculty and staff.

Item #2:	**Finance Updates**

Description:	February 2026 Financials
Purpose:	Board Informative
Presented By:	Ben Tysch/ExED
Materials:	To Be Distributed
Est. Time:	10 min
Minutes:	Forecast enrollment is 30 students below budget, resulting in a \$189K decrease in LCFF Revenue. Forecast includes \$554K of restricted one-time funds. An additional \$688K remains available to spend through FY28/29. Forecast also includes \$402K of unrestricted one-time revenue related to the ERC interest less consulting fees. As of February 2026, WISH has achieved \$705K, or 84%, of its \$838K fundraising target.

Item #3:	**Committee Updates**
Description:	Audit Committee Curriculum Committee Executive Committee Finance Committee Facilities Committee
Purpose:	Board Informative
Presented By:	Committee Chairs
Materials:	To Be Distributed
Est. Time:	15 min
Minutes:	Audit Committee - Just starting this year’s audit Curriculum Committee - Met with Dr. Draxton, excited to hear that WISH Academy is a CA Distinguished School! Academic performance, low suspension, high attendance, college and career indicators are key factors. Discussed state board redesign and student portraits reimagining. Rescheduling Belfast government meeting to look at WISH as a model. Q4 educator school tour yesterday included Green Dot Schools, New Heights Charter School, Vaughn First Charter School, Palisades Charter HS, DaVinci Science, CSUF. Result of WISH being a demonstration school. LMU IDL did a staff development on AI. Looking at how embraced technology. Most likely will not have chromebooks in TK/K/1 classrooms to replace with more intentional play. MS students will have novels in backpacks at all times, WISH Academy has a commitment that all seniors get admitted into a 4 year college regardless of whether students want trade school or another option. Executive Committee - Charter renewal pathway process has been consistently discussed, recent LAUSD salary changes discussion, evaluating smartest way forward, continue to discuss OWL proud surveys and how can best support the community. Finance Committee - Creating analysis of salary table Facilities Committee - Grateful for current space and investigation of any other spaces as they become available is ongoing

Item #4:	**Legislative and General Updates**

Description:	Review of legal and legislative updates impacting charter governance (if any)
Purpose:	Board Informative
Presented By:	Suzanne Madison Goldstein
Materials:	To Be Distributed
Est. Time:	30 min
Minutes:	None at this time.

Item #5:	**Development/WISHForward Updates**
Description:	Review of the development team's work and fundraising/planning regarding the same
Purpose:	Board Informative
Presented By:	Karina Fedasz
Materials:	N/A
Est. Time:	5 min
Minutes:	Board meeting next Tuesday.

Item #6:	**CA School Dashboard Indicators and DFS Metric**
Description:	Discuss CA Dashboard items/academic accountability
Purpose:	Board Informative
Presented By:	Dr. Shawna Draxton
Materials:	CA Dashboard for WISH Community and Academy
Est. Time:	5 min
Minutes:	Both items were mentioned in Dr. Draxton's board report. No changes currently.

Item #7:	**CalSAAS Monitoring**
Description:	Ongoing monitoring and responses to any exceptions identified by the CTC
Purpose:	Discussion
Presented By:	Dr. Shawna Draxton
Materials:	Board Folder
Est. Time:	10 min
Minutes:	Ongoing process, in good place right now, as hiring making sure following all rules, will continue to pay close attention

Item #8:	**LAUSD CSD Oversight Visit Dates and Compliance Monitoring**
Description:	LAUSD Oversight Visit for WISH Community: March 25 LAUSD Oversight Visit for WISH Academy: April 23
Purpose:	Review and Discussion
Presented By:	Dr. Shawna Draxton
Materials:	Board Folder
Est. Time:	10 min
Minutes:	Provided everything to LAUSD, will share and review reports when they come in

Item #9:	**Compliance Monitoring**
Description:	Ongoing monitoring and responses to any updates Updates re: additional compliance matters
Purpose:	Review and Discussion
Presented By:	Suzanne Madison Goldstein
Materials:	Board Folder
Est. Time:	10 min
Minutes:	Nothing to report since we are fully compliant currently

V. ITEMS FOR BOARD ACTION

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

Item #1:	**Approval of Board Minutes from March 12, 2026**
Description:	Review and approve the March 12, 2026, meeting minutes
Purpose:	Vote
Presented By:	Suzanne Madison Goldstein
Materials:	March Meeting Minutes
Est. Time:	2 min

Suzanne Madison Goldstein moved to approve this item on the consent agenda, Ben Tysch seconded. The item passed unanimously 4-0-3-1-1 (Y - Guerra, Tysch, Goldstein, Makwana), N - 0, Absent - Remer, Fedasz, Grimm, Abstain - Graf, Zoom - McCullough)

B. ACTION ITEMS:

Item #1:	**Proposed Vendor Contracts**
Description:	Review proposed agreements for: ● The Circle (2026-2031)
Purpose:	Discussion and vote
Presented By:	Jennie Brook
Materials:	In Board Folder
Est. Time:	5 min

WISH Academy’s main office copier was purchased when the HS first opened, is about 8 years old and is on its last legs. WISH feels like it finally has a great partner in The Circle. Jennie did a small survey of staff who use the machines instead of requesting bids. The contract is the same monthly rate with new machines plus the new HS machine.

Ben Tysch moved to approve this item, Dr Vicki Graf seconded. The item passed unanimously 5-0-3-0-1 (Y - Guerra, Tysch, Goldstein, Makwana, Graf), N - 0, Absent - Remer, Fedasz, Grimm, Abstain - 0, Zoom - McCullough)

VI. CLOSED SESSION ITEMS:

Item #1:	**Pending Litigation and/or Conference with Legal Counsel**
Description:	Conference with legal counsel re anticipated legal action– Closed session subject to California Government Code sections 54956.9(d)(2), 54956.9(d)(4) in re OAH Case No. 2026030984
Purpose:	Information and Discussion of Anticipated Litigation and Conference with Legal Counsel
Presented By:	Suzanne Madison Goldstein, with counsel from YMC
Materials:	N/A

The board entered into closed session at 5:56 pm. The board came out of closed session at 7:12 pm. President Raj Makwana reported out as follows:

No action was taken.

IX ADJOURNMENT:

Board President Raj Makwana adjourned the meeting at 7:13 pm.