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Regular Board Meeting Agenda
WISH Community TK-8 and WISH Academy 9-12
Thursday, June 25, 2026, 5:00 p.m.
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
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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: Raj Makwana, Dr. Mary McCullough, Miles Remer, Karina Fedasz, Fernando Guerra, Dr. Victoria Graf
Staff/Guests: Jennie Brook, Dr. Shawna Draxton, Janine Bielski, Dr. Brooke Rios (New Los Angeles Charter School)
Absent: Suzanne Madison Goldstein, Ben Tysch

[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.

Zoom Participants

Mike Johnston, ExED	Julie Grimm

III. PUBLIC COMMENT

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:	**CYBHI (Children and Youth Behavioral Health Initiative)** is a five-year, $4.7 billion investment by California to transform how the state supports youth mental health through a "whole child" approach. WISH are in Cohort 6. **School Safety Plans (SSP)** have been updated to include procedures for shelter during an evacuation order and procedures to address the supervision and protection of children from abuse or neglect. An addendum has also been added for **Extreme weather guidelines** which must include protocols for determining, monitoring, and addressing extreme weather conditions and student safety. **Smartphone policy (AB 3216)** The policy promotes evidence-based use of smartphone practices to support pupil learning and well-being. **All-Gender Restrooms (SB 760)**: Charter schools must maintain at least one all-gender restroom for 1st through 12th-grade student use at each school site. WISH uses one single restroom in the nurses station. ELOP is moving forward with WLA Extended Day and Evolution Sports and both vendors are included on the ESSA grid. LCAP 26-27 reports and budgets will be reviewed and voted on tonight. LMU work groups have started with the next meeting on July 7. WISH met with three lunch vendors to secure the best contract for the 26-27 school year and decided to continue with our current vendor. Summer programs include Credit Recovery, Summer School, ESY, Summer Bridge, College Writers Workshop and Fourth of July Float. Getting ready to send out all mandated training links on July 1. Have been working very hard on renewal materials. Summer PD is in full effect: Intensive training for reading for 6 teachers; Specially designed instruction for 6 staff

	members from all 3 schools in Kansas; WEB training for social emotional development and leadership for 2 MS staff members with LINK training for 2 HS staff members.

Item #2:	**Finance Updates**
Description:	April 2026 Financials
Purpose:	Board Informative
Presented By:	Ben Tysch/ExED
Materials:	To Be Distributed
Est. Time:	10 min
Minutes:	Final P2 enrollment was 29 students below budget, resulting in a $172K decrease in LCFF Revenue. Forecast includes $543K of restricted one-time funds. An additional $700K remains available to spend through FY28/29, not including any new one-time funds to be granted in FY26/27. Forecast also includes $402K of unrestricted one-time revenue related to the ERC interest less consulting fees. As of April 2026, WISH has achieved $809K, or 95%, of its $850K fundraising target. The revised fundraising forecast is now $875K.

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 - no updates Curriculum Committee - no updates, however graduation was discussed. Hosted on the beautiful LMU grounds. Ceremony was joyous and performances were full of heart. Speeches were amazing. Executive Committee - no updates Finance Committee - see items referring to finances. Facilities Committee - no updates

Item #4:	**Legislative and General Updates**
Description:	Review of legal and legislative updates impacting charter governance (if any)
Purpose:	Board Informative
Presented By:	Dr. Shawna Draxton
Materials:	To Be Distributed
Est. Time:	30 min

Minutes:	Went through legislative updates on board report. Will be voting on other items later in meeting.

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:	$109k net from Gala, Party Books and Golf events. Post event notes are that immediate gratification opportunities and more sponsorships will be implemented for future events. Foundation grants have been a big focus. Marketing ROI analysis will be done in August.

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:	No updates.

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:	No updates. WISH is continuing to hire residents and intern teachers and have proposals out for subsidizing offsets.

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:	Nothing new to report.

Item #9:	**Compliance Monitoring**
Description:	Ongoing monitoring and responses to any updates Updates re: additional compliance matters

	● Family Handbooks ● Technology Handbook ● AI Policy ● Curriculum Policy
Purpose:	Review and Discussion
Presented By:	Dr. Shawna Draxton
Materials:	Board Folder
Est. Time:	10 min
Minutes:	All drafts of the handbooks and policies are ready for board review so that they can be voted on at the August board meeting.

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 April 23, 2026**
Description:	Review and approve the April 23, 2026 meeting minutes
Purpose:	Vote
Presented By:	Dr. Shawna Draxton
Materials:	April Meeting Minutes
Est. Time:	2 min

Item #2:	**Approval of Board Minutes from May 14, 2026**
Description:	Review and approve the May 14, 2026 meeting minutes
Purpose:	Vote
Presented By:	Dr. Shawna Draxton
Materials:	May Meeting Minutes
Est. Time:	2 min

Karina Fedasz moved to approve these items on the consent agenda, Miles Remer seconded. The item passed unanimously 5-0-2-1-1 (Y - Remer, Fedasz, Guerra, Makwana, McCullough), N - 0, Absent - Tysch, Goldstein, Abstain - Graf, Zoom - Grimm)

B. ACTION ITEMS:

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

Ran RFP for lunch program and decided to stay with the current lunch vendor. CharterSafe understands charter schools. Plan to shop insurance companies this year.

Fernando Guerra moved to approve these items on the consent agenda, Dr. Vicki Graf seconded. The item passed unanimously 6-0-2-0-1 (Y - Remer, Fedasz, Guerra, Makwana, McCullough, Graf), N - 0, Absent - Tysch, Goldstein, Abstain - 0, Zoom - Grimm)

Item #2:	**Articles of Incorporation Change**
Description:	Update to WISH, Inc. Articles of Incorporation
Purpose:	Board Approval Required
Presented By:	Dr. Shawna Draxton
Materials:	In Board Folder
Est. Time:	10 min

Adjustments had to be made to reflect employees and not volunteer board members. Dr. Draxton is listed as CEO, Jennie Brook is CFO and Janine Bielski is secretary.

Dr. Vicki Graf moved to approve this item, Miles Remer seconded. The item passed unanimously 6-0-2-0-1 (Y - Remer, Fedasz, Guerra, Makwana, McCullough, Graf), N - 0, Absent - Tysch, Goldstein, Abstain - 0, Zoom - Grimm)

Item #3:	**Governing Board Bylaws Update**
Description:	Update to WISH, Inc. Bylaws
Purpose:	Board Approval Required
Presented By:	Dr. Shawna Draxton
Materials:	In Board Folder
Est. Time:	10 min

No substantive changes have been made yet. The 2019 document is being reviewed by YMC. This item is tabled and an emergency meeting will be held as soon as the redlines are received.

Item #4:	**Approve 26-27 WISH Community School Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP) & Federal Addendum**
Description:	Review and discussion of proposed revisions and updates to WISH Community School's LCAP for coming year; vote re same
Purpose:	Discussion and Vote
Presented By:	Dr. Shawna Draxton/Jennie Brook
Materials:	In Board Folder
Est. Time:	5 min

Vote tabled to a special board meeting on Monday, June 29th.

Item #5:	**Approve 26-27 WISH Academy High School Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP) & Federal Addendum**

Description:	Review and discussion of proposed revisions and updates to WISH Academy High School's LCAP for coming year; vote re same
Purpose:	Discussion and Vote
Presented By:	Dr. Shawna Draxton/Jennie Brook
Materials:	In Board Folder
Est. Time:	5 min

Tabled to a special board meeting on Monday, June 29th.

Item #6:	**Executive Director Employment Contract Continuance (in year 2 of 3)**
Description:	Executive Director's contract review and continuance
Purpose:	Board approval required
Presented By:	Dr Mary McCullough
Materials:	None
Est. Time:	5 min

This is year two of a three year contract. The executive committee will meet with the executive director to summarize the evaluation to share out to the board.

Item #7:	**EPA Spending Plan for WISH Community School**
Description:	Required spending plan for Education Protection Account
Purpose:	Compliance
Presented By:	Mike Johnston, ExED
Materials:	In Board Folder
Est. Time:	5 min

Education Protection Account will spend funds on teachers salaries and benefits.

Miles Remer moved to approve both items #7 and #8, Dr. Vicki Graf seconded. The item passed unanimously 6-0-2-0-1 (Y - Remer, Fedasz, Guerra, Makwana, McCullough, Graf), N - 0, Absent - Tysch, Goldstein, Abstain - 0, Zoom - Grimm)

Item #8:	**EPA Spending Plan for WISH Academy High School**
Description:	Required spending plan for Education Protection Account
Purpose:	Compliance
Presented By:	Mike Johnston, ExED
Materials:	In Board Folder
Est. Time:	5 min

See above for notes and voting details.

Item #9:	**2026-27 Consolidated Application for Funding for WISH Community School**
Description:	Review and approve proposed ConApp

Purpose:	Board approval required
Presented By:	Mike Johnston, ExED
Materials:	In Board Folder
Est. Time:	5 min

This application allows the school to apply for Title 1, 2 and 4 funds and not Title 3.

Fernando Guerra moved to approve items #9 and #10, Karina Fedasz seconded. The item passed unanimously 6-0-2-0-1 (Y - Remer, Fedasz, Guerra, Makwana, McCullough, Graf), N - 0, Absent - Tysch, Goldstein, Abstain - 0, Zoom - Grimm)

Item #10:	**2026-27 Consolidated Application for Funding for WISH Academy High School**
Description:	Review and approve proposed ConApp
Purpose:	Board approval required
Presented By:	Mike Johnston, ExED
Materials:	In Board Folder
Est. Time:	5 min

See above for notes and voting details.

Item #11:	**WISH Operating Budget FY 2026-27**
Description:	Presentation of proposed operating budget, with recommended action from Finance Committee
Purpose:	Fiscal Oversight
Presented By:	Dr Draxton/Ben Tysch/Mike Johnston
Materials:	In Board Folder
Est. Time:	15-20 min

California State Budget from Governor's May proposal and Legislature Budget's proposal reviewed. Budget assumptions discussed. Finance Committee reviewed and recommended. Tabled to a special board meeting on Monday, June 29th.

Item #12:	**Oversight Compliance Materials Review and Approval**
Description:	● Professional boundaries and safe learning environments policies (SB 848) ● Comprehensive School Safety Plans (CSSP) 26-27 ● Smartphone policy (AB 3216)
Purpose:	Discussion and Vote
Presented By:	Dr. Shawna Draxton
Materials:	In Board Folder
Est. Time:	10 min

Items reviewed in the board report, reviewed by principals, written by YMC.

Fernando Guerra moved to approve this item, Dr. Vicki Graf seconded. The item passed unanimously 6-0-2-0-1 (Y - Remer, Fedasz, Guerra, Makwana, McCullough, Graf), N - 0, Absent - Tysch, Goldstein, Abstain - 0, Zoom - Grimm)

Item #13:	**Approval of Notice of Intent to Exit LAUSD SELPA Effective July 2027**
Description:	The Board will approve sending notice to the Los Angeles Unified School District and California Department of Education of the school's intent to explore alternative SELPA options effective July 1, 2027. This letter is non-binding, but legally required in order to preserve the ability to make a change in SELPA affiliation as of July 2027.
Purpose:	Annual notification to LAUSD regarding SELPA option
Presented By:	Dr. Shawna Draxton
Materials:	In Board Folder
Est. Time:	5 min

Annually WISH signs a collective letter with other charters to notify LAUSD that it may change SELPA.

Dr. Vicki Graf moved to approve this item, Miles Remer seconded. The item passed unanimously 6-0-2-0-1 (Y - Remer, Fedasz, Guerra, Makwana, McCullough, Graf), N - 0, Absent - Tysch, Goldstein, Abstain - 0, Zoom - Grimm)

Item #14:	**WISH Community School Charter Renewal Petition Submission Resolution**
Description:	Board approval required
Purpose:	Vote
Presented By:	Dr. Shawna Draxton
Materials:	In Board Folder
Est. Time:	10 min

Resolution to submit renewal petitions.

Miles Remer moved to approve this item, Karina Fedasz seconded. The item passed unanimously 7-0-2-0-1 (Y - Remer, Fedasz, Tysch, Makwana, McCullough, Graf, Guerra), N - 0, Absent - Grimm, Goldstein, Abstain - 0, Zoom - Grimm)

Item #15:	**WISH Academy High School Charter Renewal Petition Submission Resolution**
Description:	Board approval required
Purpose:	Vote
Presented By:	Dr. Shawna Draxton
Materials:	In Board Folder
Est. Time:	10 min

Resolution to submit renewal petitions.

Fernando Guerra moved to approve this item, Miles Remer seconded. The item passed unanimously 6-0-2-0-1 (Y - Remer, Fedasz, Guerra, Makwana, McCullough, Graf), N - 0, Absent - Tysch, Goldstein, Abstain - 0, Zoom - Grimm)

Item #16:	**Annual Approval of Fiscal Policies and Procedures**
Description:	Last approval December 11, 2025. Need to approve policies and procedures each year.
Purpose:	Board Vote
Presented By:	Ben Tysch/Mike Johnson
Materials:	In Board Folder
Est. Time:	5 min

Board is reaffirming policies within the last quarter.

Miles Remer moved to approve this item, Karina Fedasz seconded. The item passed unanimously 6-0-2-0-1 (Y - Remer, Fedasz, Guerra, Makwana, McCullough, Graf), N - 0, Absent - Tysch, Goldstein, Abstain - 0, Zoom - Grimm)

Item #17:	**CalSTRS Form 0765 - WISH Community School**
Description:	This form is related to the change in WISH's Articles of Incorporation, it is CalSTRS's Charter School/Nonprofit Public Benefit Corporation (NPBC) Certification form. It certifies that a nonprofit operating a charter school qualifies to participate in the CalSTRS public pension system. Essentially, CalSTRS needs confirmation that the organization meets the legal requirements to report creditable service and enroll employees in CalSTRS.
Purpose:	Board Vote
Presented By:	Jennie Brook
Materials:	In Board Folder
Est. Time:	5 min

This is necessary to ensure all participants who work across both schools are eligible.

Miles Remer moved to approve this item, Dr. Vicki Graf seconded. The item passed unanimously 6-0-2-0-1 (Y - Remer, Fedasz, Guerra, Makwana, McCullough, Graf), N - 0, Absent - Tysch, Goldstein, Abstain - 0, Zoom - Grimm)

Item #18:	**CalSTRS Form 0765 - WISH Academy High School**
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	nonprofit operating a charter school qualifies to participate in the CalSTRS public pension system. Essentially, CalSTRS needs confirmation that the organization meets the legal requirements to report creditable service and enroll employees in CalSTRS.
Purpose:	Board Vote
Presented By:	Jennie Brook
Materials:	In Board Folder
Est. Time:	5 min

Same as the above item but for WISH Academy.

Miles Remer moved to approve this item, Dr. Mary McCullough seconded. The item passed unanimously 6-0-2-0-1 (Y - Remer, Fedasz, Guerra, Makwana, McCullough, Graf), N - 0, Absent - Tysch, Goldstein, Abstain - 0, Zoom - Grimm)

Item #19:	**Intern Credential Tuition Reimbursement Stipend**
Description:	This stipend is an addition to the ways that WISH is creating a "teacher pipeline" in the current teacher shortage. WISH will reimburse up to $6,000 in tuition for teachers in an intern program. Teachers will have to remain in a teaching position at WISH for 3 years to qualify for the whole amount.
Purpose:	Board Vote
Presented By:	Jennie Brook
Materials:	In Board Folder
Est. Time:	5 min

WISH is establishing a new reimbursement stipend to help the teacher pipeline. Six teachers went through it last year.

Dr. Vicki Graf moved to approve this item, Miles Remer seconded. The item passed unanimously 6-0-2-0-1 (Y - Remer, Fedasz, Guerra, Makwana, McCullough, Graf), N - 0, Absent - Tysch, Goldstein, Abstain - 0, Zoom - Grimm)

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

Item #2:	**Pending Litigation and/or Conference with Legal Counsel**
Description:	Conference with legal counsel re anticipated legal action– Closed session subject to California Government Code section 54956.9(d)(2).): (one (1) matter
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 7:17 pm. The board came out of closed session at 7:28 pm. President Raj Makwana reported out as follows:

No action was taken.

IX ADJOURNMENT:

President Raj Makwana adjourned the meeting at 7:28pm.