



# Wesley International Academy

## **Minutes**

# July Board Meeting

#### **Date and Time**

Tuesday July 9, 2019 at 6:00 PM

#### Location

WIA Cafeteria

The July 2019 meeting of the WIA Board of Directors will take place on Tuesday, July 9, 2019 beginning at 6:00pm in the WIA Cafeteria. We hope to see as many stakeholders attend as possible.

## **Directors Present**

A. Hunter, B. Mitchell (remote), C. Hill, D. Hrabe, E. Cater (remote), F. Carroll, J. Hansen, J. Wright, K. Delp, M. Guertin, M. Rogers, T. Ryan-Lawrence, T. Tidwell

#### **Directors Absent**

None

## Directors who arrived after the meeting opened

F. Carroll

#### **Ex Officio Members Present**

J. Marshall

## **Non Voting Members Present**

#### J. Marshall

#### **Guests Present**

A. Chung, A. Pullen, D. Johnson, D. Mason, D. Satterfield, L. Price

#### I. Opening Items

## A. Record Attendance and Guests

## B. Call the Meeting to Order

K. Delp called a meeting of the board of directors of Wesley International Academy to order on Tuesday Jul 9, 2019 at 6:04 PM.

## C. Agenda Adoption

- T. Ryan-Lawrence made a motion to adopt the agenda as presented.
- C. Hill seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

#### **Roll Call**

| M. Guertin       | Aye    |
|------------------|--------|
| J. Wright        | Aye    |
| J. Hansen        | Aye    |
| E. Cater         | Aye    |
| F. Carroll       | Absent |
| B. Mitchell      | Aye    |
| D. Hrabe         | Aye    |
| K. Delp          | Aye    |
| T. Tidwell       | Aye    |
| C. Hill          | Aye    |
| T. Ryan-Lawrence | Aye    |
| M. Rogers        | Aye    |
| A. Hunter        | Aye    |

## D. Approve Minutes

- F. Carroll arrived.
- C. Hill made a motion to approve minutes from the June 2019 Board Meeting on 06-04-19 June 2019 Board Meeting on 06-04-19.
- T. Ryan-Lawrence seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

#### **Roll Call**

| T. Tidwell | Aye |
|------------|-----|
| M. Guertin | Aye |
| K. Delp    | Ave |

#### Roll Call

F. Carroll Aye B. Mitchell Aye E. Cater Aye J. Wright Aye A. Hunter Aye J. Hansen Aye M. Rogers Aye C. Hill Aye T. Ryan-Lawrence Aye D. Hrabe Aye

#### E. Welcome and Introduction of New Board Members

Welcome all of the new board members and thank you to the leadership for being here. Introductions of all board members and leadership.

#### **II. Executive Director Updates**

#### A. Milestones Update

Jason:

Thank you to Mazie Lynn for her work as chair of the board and all the work she did on the previous charter renewal.

Very proud of the growth WIA has achieved in the last 3 years and looking forward to continuing the work in the future; to provide consistency for our students and staff.

Donica - Milestones Update:

We have not received much more data than at the last board meeting. Retakes were administered in June; participation rate was good. While the timing was not ideal, overall happy with participation (first time retakes have been in the summer). Trending in the right direction and looking forward to seeing the final results.

## **B.** Other Updates

Anthony - China Trip Update:

- 5th year we've done the CSP (China Summer Program)
- Nanjing University for 4 weeks with trips to Beijing, Hong Kong, and Shanghai. Focusing on language immersion and cultural excursion. Cost is \$5,000 per student and students must have a YCT II or above to qualify for the trip. Communication is through Facebook and We Chat no screen time allowed on the trip.

- Language immersion: 90% of the classroom instruction is in the target language; 24/7 Chinese speaking environment and interaction with local students.
- Cultural excursions: Nanjing Massacre museum and other fun places. Also experienced culture classes in the afternoon.
- Housing and Food: housed at Nanjing Huada and Phoenix Plaza Hotel. Breakfast and dinner were at the hotel and lunch at the school cafeteria.
- Continued Development of WIA CSP: Currently speaking with 3 top-notch universities this June in Beijing to seek new opportunities to restructure and continue to expand the CSP to make it available to more students.

2020 Proposal -- new location in Beijing for 3 weeks at a cost of \$3750 with no language proficiency requirement and all 6th and 7th grade students would be eligible.

Jason: New Hires

• We have hired 27 new staff members this year. Chris has done an amazing job with on boarding.

Jason: Facilities Update

- Media center project is fantastic. The overall project is not 100% complete but is well on its way.
- Have been doing drainage work this summer to help alleviate the water buildup that occurs after a heavy rain, especially on the playground.

List: Grants

We were awarded 2 grants right before the July break. Both are State grants awarded to Charter schools via the LEA's (APS for us). Safety and Security Grant (\$30K) and Facilities Grant (\$40K). For the facilities grant, we have identified 3 projects that must be completed this fiscal year. 1) Complete the drainage project; 2) Update the digital sign on Memorial; 3) Auditorium resurfacing project. The Safety and Security Grant projects include 1) Uniformed locking system for interior and exterior doors on the campus; 2) put beacons on emergency exit doors that face Memorial Drive; 3) fire and safety system, which currently works but is not the most technologically advanced.

Alastair: Dashboard

Board received full dashboard prior to the meeting. Will continue to use moving forward to track our goals as a school and how we are performing against our charter. Also, tracks committee goals.

#### **III. Public Comments**

#### A. Public Comments

None.

#### IV. Board Chair Updates

A.

#### **Housekeeping Matters**

Katie Delp:

- Board Calendar: Should be finalized and emailed out this week after final confirmation.
- Wesley email is working for all but one board member; will get that fixed. All business should be conducted via your WIA email.
- Board on Track Board management platform. If you are still not on BOT, contact Thomas.
- Everyone should have received 3 documents from Chris via DocuSign: WIA Code of Ethics, Board

Acknowledgement of Conflict of Interest, and Board Member Agreement Please get all documents signed and back to Chris as soon as possible.

• Board Training: All board members are required to meet State mandated training hours. We do most of ours through GCSA (2 in-person) and Webinars. If you have not completed Doodle Survey, please do so. Typically on Tuesdays from 4:30 - 8:30 with Elisa Falco; first one either August 13th or 20th. Monday October 21st from 5:30 to 8:30 will be required for new board members via Webinar. New Board Members must also complete mandatory finance training, which is only offered twice a year.

## B. Board Discretionary Budget FY 19-20

No vote - sending to finance committee for budget revision.

## C. 2019-2020 Committee Membership

Need to get committees up and going so we can start getting to work on this year. Please email Katie by the end of this week with the committee you'd like to serve on. Please send top 1 and 2 and keep in mind meeting times. We must have a quorum for committee meetings, so please take schedule into account when making your selections.

Committee Chairs:

Finance - Chip

Academic - Jan

Governance - Tom

Development - Katie (looking for co-chair)

Committee chairs to get annual meetings in BOT before the August board meeting so the entire annual calendar is public.

#### V. Academic Excellence

## A. Committee Report

Did not meet in June. Waiting on Milestones. Will probably not meet again until August.

#### VI. Governance

A.

#### Board member evaluation of ED via Board on Track

To be discussed in Executive Session

## B. Teacher scholar program

Administration has brought this to governance.

Goal is to allow teachers to expand their education, which would be reimbursed by WIA. Still working on approved schools, approved degrees, and the criteria for how teachers will be chosen.

Looking at reimbursing up to \$10K per teacher for a 18-month program. Looking specifically at Masters degrees / MAT. (Goal is to keep the teachers in the classrooms)

## C. Approval of student handbooks for PYP and MYP

- T. Tidwell made a motion to approve student handbooks for PYP and MYP.
- T. Ryan-Lawrence seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

#### **Roll Call**

| M. Guertin       | Aye    |
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| W. Guoran        | , ty C |
| J. Wright        | Aye    |
| B. Mitchell      | Aye    |
| K. Delp          | Aye    |
| F. Carroll       | Aye    |
| M. Rogers        | Aye    |
| A. Hunter        | Aye    |
| T. Tidwell       | Aye    |
| D. Hrabe         | Aye    |
| E. Cater         | Aye    |
| J. Hansen        | Aye    |
| T. Ryan-Lawrence | Aye    |
| C. Hill          | Aye    |

## VII. Executive Session

## A. Convene Executive Session

- J. Hansen made a motion to enter executive session.
- J. Wright seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

#### **Roll Call**

| J. Hansen  | Aye |
|------------|-----|
| C. Hill    | Aye |
| M. Rogers  | Aye |
| F. Carroll | Aye |
| A. Hunter  | Aye |
| M. Guertin | Ave |

#### Roll Call

- T. Ryan-Lawrence Aye
  K. Delp Aye
  E. Cater Aye
  D. Hrabe Aye
  B. Mitchell Aye
  J. Wright Aye
  T. Tidwell Aye
- Discuss recently issued employment contracts
- Preliminary personnel goal planning discussion
- Review of ED Evaluation via BOT

#### VIII. Other Business

# A. Approve recently issued employment agreements as discussed in executive session

Ms. Hudson - new office manager

Ms. Smith - new registrar

Both are 12-month positions

- C. Hill made a motion to approve contracts discussed in executive session.
- J. Wright seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

#### Roll Call

| B. Mitchell      | Aye |
|------------------|-----|
| M. Rogers        | Aye |
| J. Wright        | Aye |
| T. Ryan-Lawrence | Aye |
| E. Cater         | Aye |
| D. Hrabe         | Aye |
| A. Hunter        | Aye |
| M. Guertin       | Aye |
| F. Carroll       | Aye |
| J. Hansen        | Aye |
| T. Tidwell       | Aye |
| K. Delp          | Aye |
| C. Hill          | Aye |
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## IX. Closing Items

## A. Adjourn Meeting

- C. Hill made a motion to adjourn the meeting.
- J. Hansen seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

## Roll Call

| T. Ryan-Lawrence | Aye |
|------------------|-----|
| E. Cater         | Aye |
| A. Hunter        | Aye |
| C. Hill          | Aye |
| T. Tidwell       | Aye |
| B. Mitchell      | Aye |
| J. Hansen        | Aye |
| M. Rogers        | Aye |
| F. Carroll       | Aye |
| D. Hrabe         | Aye |
| M. Guertin       | Aye |
| J. Wright        | Aye |
| K. Delp          | Aye |
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There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 7:58 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

T. Ryan-Lawrence