



Wesley International Academy

Minutes

Special Called Meeting

Weighted Lottery

Date and Time

Tuesday February 25, 2025 at 6:00 PM

Location

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83431324886?pwd=bDBmdHh3VTZRa2ttU3Mva0NiSjh1UT09>

Directors Present

A. Hunter (remote), A. Sumter (remote), D. Hrabe (remote), E. Cater (remote), J. Ziemann (remote), K. Boyer (remote), K. Jones (remote), O. Okwara (remote), S. Williams (remote)

Directors Absent

R. Moorman

Ex Officio Members Present

J. Marshall (remote)

Non Voting Members Present

J. Marshall (remote)

Guests Present

B. Little (remote), C. Hudson (remote), C. Wyatt (remote), D. Johnson (remote), Jarod Apperson (remote), L. Price (remote), R. Edwards (remote), R. Goodman (remote), R. Pavone (remote)

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance

B. Call the Meeting to Order

D. Hrabe made a motion to call meeting to order.

K. Jones seconded the motion.

The team **VOTED** to approve the motion.

K. Boyer called a meeting to order on Tuesday Feb 25, 2025 at 6:00 PM.

C. Approve Minutes

S. Williams made a motion to Approve February Minutes.

O. Okwara seconded the motion.

The team **VOTED** to approve the motion.

II. Weighted Lottery

A. Guest Speaker / Dr. Jarod Apperson

Key Discussion Points:

1. Current Enrollment and Economic Disadvantage Goal:

- Wesley International Academy has maintained its target of 65% economically disadvantaged students after exceeding it in 2023.
- Some students do not disclose their economic status during application, leading to underreporting.

2. Lottery Applications Analysis:

- 506 applications expected for the 2025 lottery cycle, an 18% decrease from last year.
- 29% of applicants reported being economically disadvantaged (likely an understatement).
- Fewer kindergarten applicants have school connections (e.g., siblings, board members, staff), which may impact enrollment stability.

3. Recommendations for Offers by Grade:

- Dr. Apperson suggested extending more offers than available seats to account for students who do not enroll.
- Offers recommended by grade range from 11 (7th grade) to 135 (kindergarten).

4. Lottery Weight for Economically Disadvantaged Students:

- Maintaining last year's weight of 1 (equal chance for all applicants).
- Estimated 64% of students receiving offers will be economically disadvantaged, aligning with the 65% school target.

Action Items:

- Implement recommended offer numbers per grade.
- Maintain an economic disadvantage lottery weight of 1.
- Monitor applicant yield rates and adjust offers according

B. Weighted Lottery

S. Williams made a motion to Except recommended rate of 1 for weighted lottery by Jarod Apperson.

D. Hrabec seconded the motion.

The team **VOTED** to approve the motion.

III. Closing Items

A. Adjourn Meeting

S. Williams made a motion to Adjourn Meeting.

K. Jones seconded the motion.

The team **VOTED** to approve the motion.

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 7:00 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

C. Wyatt