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Western School of Science and Technology: CFA

Minutes

Meeting of the Board of Directors of Western

Date and Time

Thursday February 12, 2026 at 8:30 AM

Location

Notice of Public Meeting of the Board of Directors of Western School of Science and Technology: A Challenge Foundation Academy, Inc.

Pursuant to Arizona Revised Statutes ("A.R.S.") § 38-431.02, notice is hereby given to the members of the Board of Directors of Western School of Science and Technology: A Challenge Foundation Academy, Inc., and to the general public that the board will hold a meeting, open to the public as specified below. The Board of Directors reserves the right to change the order of items on the agenda, with the exception of public hearings set for a specified time.

Pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03.A.3, the Board of Directors may go into Executive Session, which will not be open to the public, concerning any item on the agenda, for discussion, consideration, or consultations for legal advice.

ALL ITEMS ON THE AGENDA ARE OPEN FOR DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION, INCLUDING REPORTS AND ACTION ITEMS AGENDA

Disabled persons in need of special accommodations should contact Ms. Nancy Carbajal at 623.249.3900, ncarbajal@wsst.school at least 24 hours prior to the scheduled meeting time.

Members of the Governing Board may join in person, by telephone, or by Internet Conference.

Where: **Western School of Science and Technology:
A Challenge Foundation Academy
6515 W. Indian School Rd.
Phoenix, AZ 85033**

Conference Line: +12532050468,,86238428904# US +12532158782,,86238428904# US
(Tacoma)
Meeting ID: 862 3842 8904

When: **Thursday, February 12, 2026, 8:30 am**

The public space will open 10 minutes before the meeting begins. The virtual space will open 5 minutes before the meeting begins.

Directors Present

A. Ballesteros (remote), B. Stratford (remote), E. Yndigoyen (remote), M. Sandoval (remote)

Directors Absent

J. Kaprosy

Directors who arrived after the meeting opened

E. Yndigoyen

Guests Present

A. Espana, N. Carbajal

I. Opening Items

A. Call the Meeting to Order

M. Sandoval called a meeting of the board of directors of Western School of Science and Technology: CFA to order on Thursday Feb 12, 2026 at 8:32 AM.

B. Roll Call & Pledge of Allegiance

E. Yndigoyen arrived at 8:40 AM.

C. Public Comments

No Public Comment

D. Read Mission Statement

Vice President Sandoval read the Mission Statement

Western School of Science and Technology exists to be an integral part of the Maryvale community, empowering students with access to a high-quality and inclusive education that will prepare every student with the skills to excel in a post-secondary institution and career.

II. Annual Organizational of the Governing Board

A. It is recommended that the Governing Board take the following action:

Item was tables to a future meeting with the recommendation to add a Secretary and Treasurer

B. Elect a President of the Board

C. Elect a Vice President of the Board

III. WSST Update

A. Academic Update

Ms. Escobedo shared the Academic update. Shared Testing Information and data. No questions from the Board Members.

B. Staffing Update

Ms. Escobedo shared the Staffing Update. Ms. Espana also updated the Board with the Instructional Support model. No questions from the Board Members.

C. Board Update

Mr. Espana shared with the Governing Board updates on: Winterfest, Basketball, Competitive Cheer, School Choice Week, AVID Night, Civic Matters, New Horizon Community Award & CEO Visit, and Supervisor of Principal Academy.

D. Enrollment Update

Mr. Espana shared with the Governing Board the Enrollment numbers as of 2.12.26. Vice President Sandoval asked if we are looking at our ITM model to possibly support our Community Needs. Mr. Espana responded that Leadership was actively looking at the FY27 Model for possible changes.

E. Financial Update

Ms. Aimee Heising from Diamond Financial shared the Financial Update, presenting the Dec 2025 financials. Vice President Sandoval advised Leadership to reach out to Bond Holder for a planning meeting before the end of the school year. No additional questions from the Board.

IV. Approval of the Consent Agenda

A. Approval of December 11, 2025 Board Meeting Minutes

Motion to approve the minutes from Meeting of the Board of Directors of Western on 12-11-25.

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

B. Approval of the November 2025 Financials

C. Approval of the December 2025 Financials

V. Action Items #1

A. Discussion and Consideration of the FY27 Contract Language for Administrators, Teachers

B. Stratford made a motion to Approve the FY27 Contract Language for Administrators and Teachers.

A. Ballesteros seconded the motion.

Mr. Espana presented the FY27 Contract Language for Administrators and Teachers.

Members of the Board had no questions.

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

B. Discussion and Consideration of FY27 Salary Schedules

B. Stratford made a motion to Approve the FY27 Salary Schedule.

A. Ballesteros seconded the motion.

Mr. Espana presented the FY27 Salary Schedule to the board. Members of the board had no questions.

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

C. Discussion and Considerations of the revised FY 26-27 School Calendar

B. Stratford made a motion to Approve the revised FY26-27 School Calendar.

A. Ballesteros seconded the motion.

Mr. Espana presented the revised FY26-27 School Calendar. The revision is being brought up to align with the community needs and the need to include Professional Development. Members of the Board had no questions.

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

D. Discussion and Consideration to approve the revise AFR25

B. Stratford made a motion to approve the revise AFR25.

A. Ballesteros seconded the motion.

Ms. Aimee from Diamond Financial presented to the board the revision to AFR25 due to a rounding error of 56 cents.

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

E. Discussion & Consideration to approve the Interim Instructional Coach Job Description

B. Stratford made a motion to Approve the Interim Instructional Coach Job Description.

E. Yndigoyen seconded the motion.

Mr. Espana presented the Interim Instructional Coach Job Description. The members of the board had no questions, but Member Stratford asked for a revision to the date at the bottom of the job descriptions.

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

VI. Closing Items

A. Adjourn Meeting

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 9:26 AM.

Respectfully Submitted,
M. Sandoval