



Western School of Science and Technology: CFA

Minutes

Meeting of the Board of Directors of Western

Date and Time

Thursday August 13, 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
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Meeting ID: 759 9091 4594

When: Thursday, August 13, 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), J. Kaprosy (remote)

Directors Absent

E. Yndigoyen

Ex Officio Members Present

A. Espana

Non Voting Members Present

A. Espana

Guests Present

A. Torres, N. Carbajal, Valeria Escobedo

I. Opening Items

A. Call the Meeting to Order

J. Kaprosy called a meeting of the board of directors of Western School of Science and Technology: CFA to order on Thursday Aug 13, 2026 at 8:32 AM.

B. Roll Call & Pledge of Allegiance

C. Public Comments

No Public Comments

D. Read Mission Statement

President Kaprosy read the Mission Statement

II. WSST Update

A. Board Update

In his update to the Board, Mr Adrian Espana celebrated that we completed our first week of school last week and informed the Board that we received the School Safety Grant. We also had Fiesta Bowl use our school to record a commercial.

Mr. Adrian Espana also shared the upcoming events:

- August 27th 6pm Title I Parent Night
- Fall Sports Season will start soon (Provide Schedules)

B. Enrollment Update

Mr. Adrian Espana presented the Enrollment Update

Enrollment ADM Target 425

Current Enrollment 428

C. Academic Update

In Principal Valeria Escobedo's Academic Update:

- She shared that New Staff and Returning Staff Orientation was a success. We are excited to start this school year.
- Principal Escobedo shared that at Western, we are increasing reading opportunities throughout the campus
- Ms. Escobedo also shared the FY26 State Assessment Data
 - AASA Reading and Math (Grades 7-8)
 - ACT (Grade 11)
 - AZELLA (Grades 7-8 for EL students)

D. Staffing Update

Principal Valeria Escobedo presented the current staffing update.

WSST is fully staffed with 41 staff members, 21 teachers, and 2 part-time staff members

E. Financial update

Ms. Aimee Heising from Diamond Financials presented the June Financials.

III. Approval of the Consent Agenda

A. Approval of July 9, 2026 Board Meeting Minutes

Motion to approve the minutes from Meeting of the Board of Directors of Western on 07-09-26.

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

B. Approval of Financial Statements and Vouchers for June 2026

C. Approval of the revised FY27 Teacher Evaluation tool

D. Approval of the FY26/27 Wellness Policy

IV. Action Items #1

A. Discussion and Consideration to remove Matt Sandoval as a Board of Directors

A. Ballesteros made a motion to Approve the removal of Matt Sandoval from Board of Directors.

B. Stratford seconded the motion.

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

B. Discussion and Consideration to remove Matt Sandoval as the Charter Representative

A. Ballesteros made a motion to Approve the removal of Matt Sandoval as Charter Representative.

B. Stratford seconded the motion.

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

C. Discussion and Consideration to remove Matt Sandoval from the Arizona Corporation Comissions as one of the Directors

A. Ballesteros made a motion to Approve the removal of Matt Sandoval from the Arizona Corporation Commission as one of the Directors.

B. Stratford seconded the motion.

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

D. Discussion and Consideration to add Denise Ebert to the Board of Directors

B. Stratford made a motion to Approve adding Denise Ebert to the Board of Directors.

A. Ballesteros seconded the motion.

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

V. Governing Board Organizational

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

A. Ballesteros made a motion to Approve Jay. Kaprosy to continue as Governing Board President.

B. Stratford seconded the motion.

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

A. Ballesteros made a motion to Elect Anais Ballesteros as Vice President of the Board of Directors.

B. Stratford seconded the motion.

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 9:25 AM.

Respectfully Submitted,
J. Kaprosy