

# Wonderful College Prep Academy

## Minutes

### WCPA May Board of Directors Meeting

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#### **Date and Time**

Tuesday May 25, 2021 at 5:30 PM

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This meeting is being held in accordance with the Brown Act as currently in effect under the State of Emergency Services Act, the Governor's Emergency Declaration related to COVID-19, and the Governor's Executive Order N-29-20 issued on March 17, 2020, that allows the Board to conduct the meeting and the Board members and the public to participate by teleconference, videoconference, or both.

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#### **Directors Present**

D. Criona (remote), E. Unruh (remote), M. Avilez (remote), M. Moreno (remote), S. Castellanos (remote)

#### **Directors Absent**

P. Martinez

#### **Directors who arrived after the meeting opened**

M. Moreno

#### **Guests Present**

A. Manuel (remote), A. Martinez (remote), B. DeFlitch (remote), B. Toomey (remote), I. Castillo (remote), J. King (remote), J. Steiner (remote), L. Sanchez (remote), M. Morillo (remote), S. Bachofer (remote), T. Mirzaian (remote)

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### **I. Opening Items**

#### **A. Call the Meeting to Order**

S. Castellanos called a meeting of the board of directors of Wonderful College Prep Academy to order on Tuesday May 25, 2021 at 5:30 PM.

#### **B. Flag Salute**

S. Castellanos led the flag salute.

**C. Record Attendance**

**D. Public Comments**

No public comments at this meeting.

**II. Consent Agenda**

**A. Review and Approve: Minutes of Regular Board Meeting of April 20, 2021**

M. Avilez made a motion to approve the minutes from WCPA April Board of Directors Meeting on 04-20-21.

E. Unruh seconded the motion.

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

**Roll Call**

S. Castellanos	Aye
D. Criona	Aye
M. Moreno	Absent
P. Martinez	Absent
M. Avilez	Aye
E. Unruh	Aye

**B. Ratification of Delano April 2021 Vendor Payments**

M. Avilez made a motion to approve Consent Agenda Items II A-E as presented.

E. Unruh seconded the motion.

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

**Roll Call**

M. Moreno	Absent
E. Unruh	Aye
M. Avilez	Aye
D. Criona	Aye
P. Martinez	Absent
S. Castellanos	Aye

**C. Ratification of Lost Hills April 2021 Vendor Payments**

M. Avilez made a motion to approve Consent Agenda Items II A-E as presented.

E. Unruh seconded the motion.

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

**Roll Call**

E. Unruh	Aye
S. Castellanos	Aye
M. Avilez	Aye

**Roll Call**

P. Martinez Absent  
D. Criona Aye  
M. Moreno Absent

**D. Revised 2020-2021 Board of Directors Calendar**

M. Avilez made a motion to approve Consent Agenda Items II A-E as presented.  
E. Unruh seconded the motion.  
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

**Roll Call**

E. Unruh Aye  
S. Castellanos Aye  
M. Avilez Aye  
M. Moreno Absent  
D. Criona Aye  
P. Martinez Absent

**E. Review and Approve: 2021-2022 Board of Directors Calendar**

M. Avilez made a motion to approve Consent Agenda Items II A-E as presented.  
E. Unruh seconded the motion.  
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

**Roll Call**

P. Martinez Absent  
M. Moreno Absent  
S. Castellanos Aye  
M. Avilez Aye  
D. Criona Aye  
E. Unruh Aye

Superintendent Manuel provided a brief update regarding the April 2021 vendor payments for both the Delano and Lost Hills campuses. There was an update to add one additional Board Meeting in June to the 2020-2021 Board of Directors Calendar. Consent Agenda Items II A-E were approved as presented with one motion.  
M. Moreno arrived at 5:38 PM.

**III. Regular Agenda - Policies and Compliance**

**A. Action Item: Expanded Learning Opportunities Grant Plan - Delano**

E. Unruh made a motion to approve the Expanded Learning Opportunities Grant Plan for Wonderful College Prep Academy (Delano).  
D. Criona seconded the motion.  
Superintendent Manuel presented the plan to use the Expanded Learning Opportunities Grant funds. The primary use of the grant funds will be to support the 2021 Summer School program. This year's summer program will offer a five-week intensive summer

program with a focus on ELA and Math in the morning and enrichment opportunities in the afternoon that include STEM, Arts, and Health & Wellness.

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

**Roll Call**

P. Martinez Absent  
E. Unruh Aye  
M. Moreno Aye  
D. Criona Aye  
S. Castellanos Aye  
M. Avilez Aye

**B. Action Item: Expanded Learning Opportunities Grant Plan - Lost Hills**

E. Unruh made a motion to approve the Expanded Learning Opportunities Grant Plan for Wonderful College Prep Academy - Lost Hills.

M. Avilez seconded the motion.

Superintendent Manuel presented the plan to use the Expanded Learning Opportunities Grant funds. Like the Delano campus plan, the primary use of the grant will also be to support the 2021 Summer School program at the Lost Hills campus. This year's summer program will also be a five-week intensive summer program with a focus on ELA and Math in the morning and enrichment opportunities in the afternoon that include STEM, Arts, and Health & Wellness.

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

**Roll Call**

M. Moreno Aye  
M. Avilez Aye  
D. Criona Aye  
S. Castellanos Aye  
P. Martinez Absent  
E. Unruh Aye

**IV. Regular Agenda - Finance and Operations**

**A. Information Item: Monthly Business Report - Delano**

I. Castillo presented the Monthly Business Report for WCPA Delano with an updated financial forecast based on the latest anticipated expenditures. I. Castillo noted there were no significant changes to the financial update presented at the previous board meeting and reminded the Board of the anticipated deferrals in June. I. Castillo also provided an overview of the May budget revise.

**B. Information Item: Monthly Business Report - Lost Hills**

I. Castillo presented the Monthly Business Report for WCPA - Lost Hills and provided an updated financial forecast based on the latest expenditures with no significant changes to expected revenues.

## **V. Regular Agenda - Human Resources/Talent/Academics**

### **A. Action Item: Approval of Agreement No. 2020/21-032 between the NSS Institute and Wonderful College Prep Academy for Summer Instructional Programming Services**

This item was presented as an information item. Superintendent Manuel gave an overview of the NSS Institute agreement that will provide Academy students and staff with a 5-week summer school program that includes core instructional programming for literature, math and science for students in grades 3-8. Teachers will receive specialized professional development services through in-house "Partner Teachers". Cadence will provide curriculum materials, videos, and training materials through this service. No action taken at this meeting.

### **B. Action Item: Approval of Agreement No. 2020/21-033 between the Springboard Collaborative and Wonderful College Prep Academy for Instructional Programming Services**

This item was presented as an information item. Superintendent Manuel gave an overview of the Springboard Collaborative agreement that will provide Academy students and teachers with services to help families, staff, and students in grades TK-2 with additional supports and resources to assist students in achieving their reading goals and closing the literacy gap. Under the terms of the agreement, Springboard will provide coaching services, fund a WCPA Program Leader and Springboard Coaches, provide virtual professional development opportunities for teachers, and training and support services for families through the Springboard program for students and families over the summer. In addition to these services, Springboard will also provide a platform with e-books, instructional resources, family workshops and curricula to promote student achievement both in and out of the classroom. No action taken at this meeting.

## **VI. Communications**

### **A. Superintendent's Report**

#### **a) Enrollment Update**

Superintendent Manuel presented a brief enrollment update for the two WCPA campuses from the beginning of the school year through the middle of April. There were some changes in enrollment, but all were consistent and expected with the return to in-person instruction for both school sites.

#### **b) Academic Program Updates**

Superintendent Manuel presented the LCAP goal overview for the new plan that will be presented to the Board for approval in June. Average attendance rates for the two campuses have been consistent, Delano with 95% and Lost Hills with 91-92%.

Superintendent Manuel also presented student data assessment results which showed an overall increase in reading. WCPA - Delano had 87% of High School Seniors on-track to graduate.

c) Strategic Priorities and Goals

Superintendent Manuel provided the board with a brief update of his on-going strategic priorities and invited the Board of Directors to the upcoming High School Graduation Ceremony on June 5th at the Delano Campus.

**B. Other Business**

No other business was presented at this meeting.

**VII. Closed Session**

**A. Public Employee Performance Evaluation: Superintendent, Gov't. Code § 54957(b) (1)**

M. Avilez made a motion to convene to Closed Session at 6:21pm.

D. Criona seconded the motion.

The Board of Directors reconvened to Open Session at 6:28pm.

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

**Roll Call**

P. Martinez	Absent
S. Castellanos	Aye
D. Criona	Aye
M. Avilez	Aye
E. Unruh	Aye
M. Moreno	Aye

**VIII. Board Comments**

**A. Board Comments**

No board comments were made at this meeting.

**IX. Future Meeting**

**A. Future Meeting**

Virtual Meeting:

- Tuesday, June 22, 2021
- Tuesday, June 15, 2021 - NEW

**X. Closing Items**

**A. Adjourn Meeting**

The meeting was adjourned by S. Castellanos at 6:29pm.

\*\*\*CERTIFICATE OF SECRETARY\*\*\*

I certify that I am the Board Secretary of Wonderful College Prep Academy, a California non-profit public benefit corporation; that these are the minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Directors held on May 25, 2021.

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 6:29 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
L. Sanchez