

## Wonderful College Prep Academy

## **Minutes**

## March WCPA Board of Directors Meeting

#### **Date and Time**

Tuesday March 25, 2025 at 5:00 PM

## Location

Delano Campus 2070 Veneto St Delano, CA 93215 Room: Yoga Studio

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Wonderful College Prep Academy (Delano Campus) Room: Yoga Studio (South Campus Entrance) 2070 Veneto Street, Delano, CA 93215

### **Teleconference Location (Ed. Code § 47604.1)**

Wonderful College Prep Academy - Lost Hills Room: College Center (High School Campus Entrance) 14848 Lamberson Ave, Lost Hills, CA 93249

### **Virtual Meeting Information:**

https://us06web.zoom.us/j/89508068835? pwd=4Q2BmzuHa3QFjakqoNlCzWN8MHel5c.1&from=addon

Meeting ID: 895 0806 8835

Passcode: 057137

#### **Dial-in Information:**

(669) 444-9171

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## **Directors Present**

B. Perlado, D. Barreto, E. Unruh, E. Zamora, S. Mohamed

#### **Directors Absent**

G. Adame

#### **Guests Present**

B. DeFlitch, D. Felix, E. Hernandez, J. Aguilar, L. Sanchez, M. Palomo, M. Romero, R. Navejas, R. Phillips, Y. Ramirez

## I. Opening Items

## A. Call the Meeting to Order

## B. Flag Salute

Board Chair Mohamed led in the flag salute.

## C. Record Attendance

## D. Changes to Agenda

- D. Barreto made a motion to modify the following agenda item: Closed Session III-A and Consent Agenda IX-D to be presented at our next scheduled Board Meeting, April 24, 2025.
- E. Unruh seconded the motion.

Board Chair Mohamed asked the Board to consider a vote to modify agenda item: Closed Session III-A and Consent Agenda IX-D.

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

#### **Roll Call**

- E. Unruh Aye
- S. Mohamed Aye
- D. Barreto Aye
- G. Adame Absent
- E. Zamora Aye
- B. Perlado Aye

## E. Public Comments

No public comments were made during this meeting.

## II. Regular Agenda

## A. Action Item: Appointment of Maricela (Mari) Canales as Board Member

B. Perlado made a motion to approve the Appointment of Marisela (Mari) Canales as Board Member.

D. Barreto seconded the motion.

Marisela (Mari) Canales is a resident of Lost Hills and an engaged parent of two WCPA-Lost Hills students, she is actively involved in their education. If approved, she will take office on March 25, 2025.

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

#### **Roll Call**

- B. Perlado Aye
- E. Zamora Aye
- D. Barreto Aye
- S. Mohamed Aye
- G. Adame Absent
- E. Unruh Aye

### **III. Closed Session**

- A. Conference with Legal Counsel Anticipated Litigation: Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to Gov't. Code § 54956.9(d)(2) Two (2)
  - D. Barreto made a motion to move to closed session at 5:19 PM.
  - E. Zamora seconded the motion.

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

#### **Roll Call**

- B. Perlado Aye
- E. Unruh Aye
- E. Zamora Aye
- D. Barreto Aye
- S. Mohamed Aye
- G. Adame Absent
- B. Consideration of Suspended Enforcement of Expulsion Agreement, Gov't. Code § 54956.9(d)(2), Ed. Code §48912 One (1) Student
- C. Consideration of Expulsion of Student, Gov't. Code § 54956.9(d)(2), Ed. Code §48918 One (1) Student

Brenton DeFlitch, Delano Secondary Principal left the Closed Session and Board Meeting at 5:50 PM.

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

Dani DeLaurentis, SVP Education and Philanthropy joined Closed Session at 6:15 PM. The Board of Directors returned from Closed Session at 7:15 PM.

### **IV. Open Session**

A.

## Closed Session Item C. Consideration of Expulsion of Student, Gov't. Code § 54956.9(d)(2), Ed. Code §48918 - One (1) Student

E. Unruh made a motion to approve the Consideration of Expulsion of Student, Gov't. Code § 54956.9(d)(2), Ed. Code §48918 - One (1) Student.

E. Zamora seconded the motion.

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

#### **Roll Call**

- G. Adame Absent
- S. Mohamed Aye
- E. Zamora Aye
- E. Unruh Aye
- B. Perlado Aye
- D. Barreto Aye

## V. Regular Agenda - Academics

## A. Information Item: Academic Update on Common Formative Assessment (CFA) Results

Chief Academic Officer Megan Palomo provided an academic update, focusing on Common Formative Assessment (CFA) Results.

## B. Action Item: Approval of Vendor Invoices for 2025/26 Literacy Curriculum for Elementary (McGraw Hill LLC) - Delano and Lost Hills

- D. Barreto made a motion to approve the vendor invoices for 2025/26 Literacy Curriculum for Elementary (McGraw Hill LLC).
- E. Zamora seconded the motion.

WCPA plans to transition from Wit & Wisdom to Wonders 2023 to better align with the Science of Reading and enhance foundational skills instruction, including phonemic awareness, phonics, fluency, and writing. The academy seeks approval for literacy curriculum invoices from McGraw Hill LLC totaling \$450,187.40 for Delano and Lost Hills, with costs allocated over four years.

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

#### **Roll Call**

- D. Barreto Aye
- G. Adame Absent
- E. Zamora Aye
- S. Mohamed Aye
- E. Unruh Aye
- B. Perlado Aye

## VI. Regular Agenda - Business, Finance & Operations

A.

## Information Item: Review of Monthly Business Report for February 2025 - Delano

Chief Business Officer, Mike Romero presented the updated monthly business report for the Delano Campus.

### B. Information Item: Review of Monthly Business Report for February 2025 - Lost Hills

Chief Business Officer, Mike Romero presented the updated monthly business report for the Lost Hills Campus.

## C. Action Item: Approval of J-13A Attendance Recovery Form - Delano

- E. Unruh made a motion to approve the J-13A Attendance Recovery Form Delano.
- D. Barreto seconded the motion.

WCPA seeks approval for its J-13A submission to account for a material decrease in Average Daily Attendance (ADA) from December 3-5, 2024. Approval from the California Department of Education would allow WCPA to recoup 339.95 ADA without incurring a fiscal penalty under the Local Control Funding Formula (LCFF).

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

#### Roll Call

- G. Adame Absent
- D. Barreto Aye
- S. Mohamed Aye
- E. Zamora Aye
- E. Unruh Aye
- B. Perlado Aye

# D. Action Item: Authorization for the Chief Business Officer to Negotiate Agreement between CFOMW Tax LLC and Wonderful College Prep Academy for Employee Retention Credit

- D. Barreto made a motion to authorize the Chief Business Officer to Negotiate Agreement between CFOMW Tax LLC and Wonderful College Prep Academy for Employee Retention Credit.
- E. Zamora seconded the motion.

WCPA is exploring eligibility for the Employee Retention Tax Credit (ERC), which provides direct payments for qualifying organizations. After consulting a tax attorney experienced with schools nationwide, WCPA believes it may qualify under the expanded eligibility criteria related to government-ordered operational suspensions. The potential financial recovery of \$2.5–\$3 million outweighs the service costs, with tax attorney Michael Williams, CFOMW, proposed to assist in the process.

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

#### Roll Call

- E. Zamora Aye
- S. Mohamed Aye
- B. Perlado Aye

#### Roll Call

E. Unruh Aye

D. Barreto Aye

G. Adame Absent

## VII. Regular Agenda - Policies & Compliance

## A. Information Item: Update on Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC) Mid-Cycle Virtual Visit - Delano

Executive Director of Programming and Partnerships, Lupe Sanchez, presented an update on Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC) Mid-Cycle Virtual Visit - Delano

## B. Information Item: Review of Training Opportunities for Board Ethics Training & Form 700 Submission

Executive Director of Programming and Partnerships, Lupe Sanchez, provided a review of training Opportunities for Board Ethics Training & Form 700 Submission.

#### **VIII. Communications**

## A. Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Aguilar presented brief update on recent and upcoming student and schoolwide events.

## IX. Consent Agenda

## A. Review and Approve: Minutes of Regular Board Meeting of February 27, 2025

- D. Barreto made a motion to approve the minutes from February WCPA Board of Directors Meeting on 02-27-25.
- E. Zamora seconded the motion.

Consent Agenda Items IX A-G were presented and approved as one motion. Item IX-D was removed from this meeting agenda to be presented at the next Board Meeting. The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

#### Roll Call

E. Zamora Aye

G. Adame Absent

S. Mohamed Aye

E. Unruh Aye

D. Barreto Aye

B. Perlado Aye

## B. Action Item: Ratification of Delano February 2025 Vendor Payments

- D. Barreto made a motion to Consent Agenda Items IX A-G were presented and approved as one motion.
- E. Zamora seconded the motion.

Consent Agenda Items IX A-G were presented and approved as one motion. Item IX-D was removed from this meeting agenda to be presented at the next Board Meeting. The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

#### **Roll Call**

- E. Unruh Aye
- S. Mohamed Aye
- G. Adame Absent
- E. Zamora Aye
- D. Barreto Aye
- B. Perlado Aye

## C. Action Item: Ratification of Lost Hills February 2025 Vendor Payments

- D. Barreto made a motion to Consent Agenda Items IX A-G were presented and approved as one motion.
- E. Zamora seconded the motion.

Consent Agenda Items IX A-G were presented and approved as one motion. Item IX-D was removed from this meeting agenda to be presented at the next Board Meeting. The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

#### **Roll Call**

- S. Mohamed Aye
- E. Zamora Aye
- G. Adame Absent
- D. Barreto Aye
- B. Perlado Aye
- E. Unruh Aye

## D. Action Item: Ratification of Agreement No. 2024/25-07 Between CliftonLarsonAllen LLP and Wonderful College Prep Academy for Audit Services

IX-D was removed from this meeting agenda to be presented at the next Board Meeting.

## E. Action Item: Approval of Revised 2024-25 Student and Family Handbook - Delano and Lost Hills

- D. Barreto made a motion to Consent Agenda Items IX A-G were presented and approved as one motion.
- E. Zamora seconded the motion.

Consent Agenda Items IX A-G were presented and approved as one motion. Item IX-D was removed from this meeting agenda to be presented at the next Board Meeting. The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

#### Roll Call

- E. Zamora Aye
- D. Barreto Aye
- S. Mohamed Aye
- B. Perlado Aye
- G. Adame Absent
- E. Unruh Aye

## F. Action Item: Approval of Revised Non-Discrimination/Harassment Policy - Delano and Lost Hills

- D. Barreto made a motion to Consent Agenda Items IX A-G were presented and approved as one motion.
- E. Zamora seconded the motion.

Consent Agenda Items IX A-G were presented and approved as one motion. Item IX-D was removed from this meeting agenda to be presented at the next Board Meeting. The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

#### **Roll Call**

- E. Unruh Aye
- D. Barreto Aye
- G. Adame Absent
- E. Zamora Aye
- B. Perlado Aye
- S. Mohamed Aye

## G. Action Item: Approval of Revision to 2025-26 Academic Calendar for Delano & Lost Hills

- D. Barreto made a motion to Consent Agenda Items IX A-G were presented and approved as one motion.
- E. Zamora seconded the motion.

Consent Agenda Items IX A-G were presented and approved as one motion. Item IX-D was removed from this meeting agenda to be presented at the next Board Meeting. The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

## Roll Call

- E. Unruh Aye
- S. Mohamed Aye
- B. Perlado Aye
- D. Barreto Aye
- G. Adame Absent
- E. Zamora Aye

## H. Information Item: Attendance & Enrollment Update - Delano and Lost Hills

No action was taken on this information item.

## X. Future Meetings

## A. Future Meetings

Thursday, April 24, 2025; 5:00pm | Delano Campus Thursday, May 22, 2025; 5:00pm | Lost Hills Campus Thursday, June 19, 2025; 5:00pm | Delano Campus

## XI. Closing Items

## A. Adjourn Meeting

- D. Barreto made a motion to adjourn the January Board of Directors meeting.
- E. Unruh seconded the motion.

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

#### Roll Call

- E. Unruh Aye
- B. Perlado Aye
- G. Adame Absent
- D. Barreto Aye
- S. Mohamed Aye
- E. Zamora Aye

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 March 25, 2025.

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 8:25 AM.

Respectfully Submitted,

L. Sanchez

<sup>\*\*\*</sup>CERTIFICATE OF SECRETARY\*\*\*