



**Regular Board Meeting Minutes**

**Thursday, December 9, 2021, 5:00 p.m.**

**Posted in compliance with California Assembly Bill 361**

**Location: Via Zoom Virtual Meeting Platform**

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**Meeting ID: 829 8091 3041**

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**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Board President Dr. Danelle Fisher called the meeting to order at 5:11 pm.

**II. ROLL CALL**

Board Members: Danelle Fisher, Suzanne Madison Goldstein, Ben Tysch, Mary McCullough, Victoria Graf, Miles Remer, Karina Fedasz

Staff/Guests: Shawna Draxton, Jennie Brook, Janine Bielski, Mike Johnston, Susan Kim

Absent: Matthew Swanlund

**III. REVIEW OF CURRENT EMERGENCY STATUS, FINDINGS OF FACT, AND BOARD RESOLUTION REGARDING VIRTUAL MEETINGS PURSUANT TO AB 361 :**

Board will review current emergency pandemic-related governmental orders and declarations, and make findings relevant thereto in compliance with AB 361, in order to ensure ongoing public access and transparency. Proposed board resolution agendaized under Section V(A) Consent Agenda below and located in board folder.

**IV ITEMS FOR BOARD INFORMATION AND/OR DISCUSSION, INCLUDING COMMITTEE AND SCHOOL LEADERSHIP REPORTS**

<b>Item #1:</b>	<b>Executive Director’s Special Report on COVID-19/Return to Campus, Independent Study, and Implementation</b>
<b>Description:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) Update on Distance Learning and Return to Campus</li> <li>(b) Food delivery/lunch program</li> <li>(c) Subgroup service delivery</li> <li>(d) Governance and board meetings</li> <li>(e) Employees and vendors</li> </ul>

<sup>1</sup> Please see Notice No. 2 at the end of this agenda for complete public access information. Please note that in compliance with the Brown Act, as modified by AB 361, the physical locations of individual participants are omitted.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(f) Graduation requirements</li> <li>(g) Attendance and Engagement Tracking</li> <li>(h) Learning Continuity and Attendance Plan</li> <li>(i) CoVerify COVID testing</li> <li>(j) ESSER Funds plan</li> <li>(k) Independent Study</li> <li>(l) Mask Accomodation for SWD</li> <li>(m) LCAP</li> <li>(n) New Policies</li> </ul>
<b>Purpose:</b>	Information and Discussion
<b>Presented By:</b>	Dr. Shawna Draxton
<b>Materials:</b>	To Be Distributed
<b>Est. Time:</b>	15-20 min
<b>Minutes:</b>	Site Review will need 1-2 board members for debrief and intro. Office managers are looking closely at those who can be vaccinated are vaccinated. WISH has signed affidavit that all vendors, staff, CIF athletes are vaccinated. Will be at 85% after Winter Break for masks off outside. Employee handbook has been updated to reflect lactation policy. Lunch vendor is switching after the new year.

<b>Item #2:</b>	<b>Executive Director Monthly Report</b>
<b>Description:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(o) Academic Achievement Report</li> <li>(p) School Climate and Culture</li> <li>(q) Human Capital</li> </ul>
<b>Purpose:</b>	Information and Discussion
<b>Presented By:</b>	Dr. Shawna Draxton
<b>Materials:</b>	To Be Distributed
<b>Est. Time:</b>	10 min
<b>Minutes:</b>	Prepping for CAASPP in March. MS and HS principals are leading the Festival of the Arts tonight. Fall Sing and International Festival on Friday. District has rejected ADA projections so WISH is preparing a response for January. Continue to be WASC accredited. Many of the teams are going to comprehensive trainings this weekend.

<b>Item #3:</b>	<b>Finance Updates</b>
<b>Description:</b>	Review of monthly financials and current/projected budget updates
<b>Purpose:</b>	Board Informative
<b>Presented By:</b>	Miles Remer/ExED
<b>Materials:</b>	To Be Distributed
<b>Est. Time:</b>	10 min
<b>Minutes:</b>	Forecasting ADA is up slightly from last month's forecast but below budget. This translates to less LCFF revenue. One time funds are helping to make up the difference. Core curriculum for independent study and additional chromebooks were added and are being paid for with one time pandemic funds.

<b>Item #4:</b>	<b>Legislative and General Updates/Brown Act Training and Compliance</b>
<b>Description:</b>	Review of legal and legislative updates impacting charter governance (if any).
<b>Purpose:</b>	Board Informative
<b>Presented By:</b>	Suzanne Madison Goldstein
<b>Materials:</b>	N/A
<b>Est. Time:</b>	5 min
<b>Minutes:</b>	AB 361 will not sunset until January 1, 2024. This is an ongoing process depending on the state of emergency status in California. The need for virtual meetings are evaluated every 30 days hence a new board resolution will be done every month with a new finding on record.

<b>Item #5:</b>	<b>Development/WISHForward Updates</b>
<b>Description:</b>	Review of development team's work and fundraising/planning re same
<b>Purpose:</b>	Board Informative
<b>Presented By:</b>	Karina Fedasz
<b>Materials:</b>	N/A
<b>Est. Time:</b>	5 min
<b>Minutes:</b>	Launching party books in the new year leading up to March's WISH Gala at SoFi. Golf event will take place in April. WISH Forward is generating its own website which includes the capital campaign and additional arts and athletics programs. Fiduciary duties for Gala insurance are in process. Neon is WISH's donor management campaign system, WISH Forward has begun reinvigoration for ongoing email fundraising communications.

<b>Item #6:</b>	<b>Curriculum Update</b>
<b>Description:</b>	Report from Curriculum Committee
<b>Purpose:</b>	Board Informative
<b>Presented By:</b>	Dr. Vicki Graf
<b>Materials:</b>	N/A
<b>Est. Time</b>	5 min
<b>Minutes:</b>	Prepping for the January meeting so nothing to report at this meeting.

<b>Item #7:</b>	<b>CA School Dashboard Indicators</b>
<b>Description:</b>	Discuss CA Dashboard items in yellow or below
<b>Purpose:</b>	Board Informative
<b>Presented By:</b>	Dr. Shawna Draxton
<b>Materials:</b>	CA Dashboard for WISH Community and Academy
<b>Est. Time</b>	5 min
<b>Minutes:</b>	No change on the dashboard indicators. Turned in benchmark report to district for EL and social economically disadvantaged pupils.

<b>Item #8:</b>	<b>EL Outreach Update</b>
<b>Description:</b>	Outcomes of past outreach/new strategies to be implemented
<b>Purpose:</b>	Oversight
<b>Presented By:</b>	Dr. Shawna Draxton
<b>Materials:</b>	See Executive Director's monthly report
<b>Est. Time</b>	10 min
<b>Minutes:</b>	Providing interpreters for onsite as well as virtual meetings. Seeing slight uptick in EL learners applying.

<b>Item #9:</b>	<b>Board Development and Recruitment</b>
<b>Description:</b>	Update
<b>Purpose:</b>	Discussion
<b>Presented By:</b>	Dr. Danelle Fisher
<b>Materials:</b>	None
<b>Est. Time:</b>	10 min
<b>Minutes:</b>	No new recruitment news to share. The Board is looking for people who have experience in education and politics or community activism. WISH's goal is a diverse board. Victoria Graf suggested a candidate and Miles Remer suggested a (non voting) student representative from WISH Academy.

**V. ITEMS FOR BOARD ACTION**

**A. CONSENT ACTION ITEMS:** Items for action below assigned by the Board at the meeting to be adopted by a single vote. Any item may be pulled off of consent for further discussion by any Board Member at any time before action is taken.

<b>Item #1:</b>	<b>Approval of Board Minutes from November 18, 2021 (written and audio)</b>
<b>Description:</b>	Review and approve November 18, 2021 meeting minutes
<b>Purpose:</b>	Vote
<b>Presented By:</b>	Suzanne Madison Goldstein
<b>Materials:</b>	November Meeting Minutes
<b>Est. Time:</b>	2 min

<b>Item #2:</b>	<b>Ratification of Pali Institute Contract</b>
<b>Description:</b>	Vendor contract with established vendor for 5th Grade Retreat
<b>Purpose:</b>	Fiscal Oversight
<b>Presented By:</b>	Suzanne Goldstein/Jennie Brook
<b>Materials:</b>	In Board Folder
<b>Est. Time:</b>	2 min

<b>Item #3:</b>	<b>Board Resolution regarding Virtual Board Meetings pursuant to AB 361</b>
<b>Description:</b>	Resolution regarding necessity for continued virtual board meetings due to Emergency Declaration re COVID-19 Pandemic
<b>Purpose:</b>	Brown Act Compliance

<b>Presented By:</b>	Danelle Fisher
<b>Materials:</b>	In Board Folder
<b>Est. Time:</b>	5 min

Miles Remer moved to approve the consent agenda; Ben Tysch seconded. Roll call vote as follows:

Dr. Danelle Fisher, <i>President</i>	Y	Suzanne Madison Goldstein, <i>Vice President &amp; Secretary</i>	Y
Dr. Vicki Graf	Y	Dr. Mary McCullough	Y
Matthew Swanlund	-	Benjamin Tysch	Y
Karina Fedasz	Y	Miles Remer, <i>Treasurer</i>	Y

**B. ACTION ITEMS:**

<b>Item #1:</b>	<b>Ratification of Contract with The Rosenthal Firm</b>		
<b>Description:</b>	Contract for independent investigative services		
<b>Purpose:</b>	Fiscal Oversight -- may potentially exceed ED's contract authority		
<b>Presented By:</b>	Suzanne Madison Goldstein		
<b>Materials:</b>	In Board Folder		
<b>Est. Time</b>	5 min		

Discussion of documentation. Ben Tysch moved to approve provided that: a) board officer will confer with TRG re scope of work and time frame, and b) revise to include mutual indemnity, Suzanne Madison Goldstein seconded. Roll call vote as follows:

Dr. Danelle Fisher, <i>President</i>	Y	Suzanne Madison Goldstein, <i>Vice President &amp; Secretary</i>	Y
Dr. Vicki Graf	Y	Dr. Mary McCullough	Y
Matthew Swanlund	-	Benjamin Tysch	Y
Karina Fedasz	Y	Miles Remer, <i>Treasurer</i>	Y

<b>Item #2:</b>	<b>First Interim Financial Reports</b>		
<b>Description:</b>	Required annual report due to authorizer on or before December 15		
<b>Purpose:</b>	Vote		
<b>Presented By:</b>	Miles Remer		
<b>Materials:</b>	In Board Folder		
<b>Est. Time</b>	10 min		

These are the same financials the Board saw previously. The difference is in the template used to send to the district. Ben Tysch moved to approve the item, Dr. Vicki Graf seconded. Roll call vote as follows:

Dr. Danelle Fisher, <i>President</i>	Y	Suzanne Madison Goldstein, <i>Vice President &amp; Secretary</i>	Y
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Dr. Vicki Graf	Y	Dr. Mary McCullough	Y
Matthew Swanlund	-	Benjamin Tysch	Y
Karina Fedasz	Y	Miles Remer, <i>Treasurer</i>	Y

<b>Item #3:</b>	<b>Educator Effectiveness Block Grants</b>
<b>Description:</b>	Spending plan; discussed at the last meeting; Vote
<b>Purpose:</b>	Vote
<b>Presented By:</b>	Dr. Shawna Draxton/Jennie Brook
<b>Materials:</b>	In Board Folder
<b>Est. Time</b>	10 min

The plan for this grant was discussed at the last board meeting. Dr. Danelle Fisher moved to approve the item, Ben Tysch seconded. Roll call vote as follows:

Dr. Danelle Fisher, <i>President</i>	Y	Suzanne Madison Goldstein, <i>Vice President &amp; Secretary</i>	Y
Dr. Vicki Graf	Y	Dr. Mary McCullough	Y
Matthew Swanlund	-	Benjamin Tysch	Y
Karina Fedasz	Y	Miles Remer, <i>Treasurer</i>	Y

<b>Item #4:</b>	<b>Revised WISH Community 21-22 LCAP</b>
<b>Description:</b>	Revisions to LCAP
<b>Purpose:</b>	Vote
<b>Presented By:</b>	Dr. Shawna Draxton/Jennie Brook
<b>Materials:</b>	In Board Folder
<b>Est. Time</b>	10 min

Metrics to measure success have been added and documents have been revised and resubmitted. Ben Tysch moved to approve the item, Miles Remer seconded. Roll call vote as follows:

Dr. Danelle Fisher, <i>President</i>	Y	Suzanne Madison Goldstein, <i>Vice President &amp; Secretary</i>	Y
Dr. Vicki Graf	Y	Dr. Mary McCullough	Y
Matthew Swanlund	-	Benjamin Tysch	Y
Karina Fedasz	Y	Miles Remer, <i>Treasurer</i>	Y

<b>Item #5:</b>	<b>Revised WISH Community 19-20 LCAP annual update</b>
<b>Description:</b>	Revisions to LCAP
<b>Purpose:</b>	Vote
<b>Presented By:</b>	Dr. Shawna Draxton/Jennie Brook
<b>Materials:</b>	In Board Folder
<b>Est. Time</b>	10 min

Metrics to measure success have been added and documents have been revised and resubmitted. Dr. Danelle Fisher moved to approve the item, Dr. Vicki Graf seconded. Roll call vote as follows:

Dr. Danelle Fisher, <i>President</i>	Y	Suzanne Madison Goldstein, <i>Vice President &amp; Secretary</i>	Y
Dr. Vicki Graf	Y	Dr. Mary McCullough	Y
Matthew Swanlund	-	Benjamin Tysch	Y
Karina Fedasz	Y	Miles Remer, <i>Treasurer</i>	Y

<b>Item #6:</b>	<b>Revised WISH Community 20-21 LCP annual update</b>
<b>Description:</b>	Revisions to LCP
<b>Purpose:</b>	Vote
<b>Presented By:</b>	Dr. Shawna Draxton/Jennie Brook
<b>Materials:</b>	In Board Folder
<b>Est. Time</b>	10 min

Metrics to measure success have been added and documents have been revised and resubmitted. Dr. Danelle Fisher moved to approve the item, Ben Tysch seconded. Roll call vote as follows:

Dr. Danelle Fisher, <i>President</i>	Y	Suzanne Madison Goldstein, <i>Vice President &amp; Secretary</i>	Y
Dr. Vicki Graf	Y	Dr. Mary McCullough	Y
Matthew Swanlund	-	Benjamin Tysch	Y
Karina Fedasz	Y	Miles Remer, <i>Treasurer</i>	Y

<b>Item #7:</b>	<b>Revised WISH Community 21-22 LCAP budget overview for parents</b>
<b>Description:</b>	Revisions to LCAP budget overview
<b>Purpose:</b>	Vote
<b>Presented By:</b>	Dr. Shawna Draxton/Jennie Brook
<b>Materials:</b>	In Board Folder
<b>Est. Time</b>	10 min

Metrics to measure success have been added and documents have been revised and resubmitted. Dr. Danelle Fisher moved to approve the item, Ben Tysch seconded. Roll call vote as follows:

Dr. Danelle Fisher, <i>President</i>	Y	Suzanne Madison Goldstein, <i>Vice President &amp; Secretary</i>	Y
Dr. Vicki Graf	Y	Dr. Mary McCullough	Y
Matthew Swanlund	-	Benjamin Tysch	Y
Karina Fedasz	Y	Miles Remer, <i>Treasurer</i>	Y

<b>Item #8:</b>	<b>Revised WISH Academy 21-22 LCAP</b>
<b>Description:</b>	Revisions to LCAP
<b>Purpose:</b>	Vote
<b>Presented By:</b>	Dr. Shawna Draxton/Jennie Brook
<b>Materials:</b>	In Board Folder
<b>Est. Time</b>	10 min

Metrics to measure success have been added and documents have been revised and resubmitted. Dr. Danelle Fisher moved to approve the item, Ben Tysch seconded. Roll call vote as follows:

Dr. Danelle Fisher, <i>President</i>	Y	Suzanne Madison Goldstein, <i>Vice President &amp; Secretary</i>	Y
Dr. Vicki Graf	Y	Dr. Mary McCullough	Y
Matthew Swanlund	-	Benjamin Tysch	Y
Karina Fedasz	Y	Miles Remer, <i>Treasurer</i>	Y

<b>Item #9:</b>	<b>Revised WISH Academy 19-20 LCAP annual update</b>		
<b>Description:</b>	Revisions to LCAP		
<b>Purpose:</b>	Vote		
<b>Presented By:</b>	Dr. Shawna Draxton/Jennie Brook		
<b>Materials:</b>	In Board Folder		
<b>Est. Time</b>	10 min		

Metrics to measure success have been added and documents have been revised and resubmitted. Dr. Danelle Fisher moved to approve the item, Ben Tysch seconded. Roll call vote as follows:

Dr. Danelle Fisher, <i>President</i>	Y	Suzanne Madison Goldstein, <i>Vice President &amp; Secretary</i>	Y
Dr. Vicki Graf	Y	Dr. Mary McCullough	Y
Matthew Swanlund	-	Benjamin Tysch	Y
Karina Fedasz	Y	Miles Remer, <i>Treasurer</i>	Y

<b>Item #10:</b>	<b>Revised WISH Academy 20-21 LCP annual update</b>		
<b>Description:</b>	Revisions to LCP		
<b>Purpose:</b>	Vote		
<b>Presented By:</b>	Dr. Shawna Draxton/Jennie Brook		
<b>Materials:</b>	In Board Folder		
<b>Est. Time</b>	10 min		

Metrics to measure success have been added and documents have been revised and resubmitted. Dr. Danelle Fisher moved to approve the item, Ben Tysch seconded. Roll call vote as follows:

Dr. Danelle Fisher, <i>President</i>	Y	Suzanne Madison Goldstein, <i>Vice President &amp; Secretary</i>	Y
Dr. Vicki Graf	Y	Dr. Mary McCullough	Y
Matthew Swanlund	-	Benjamin Tysch	Y
Karina Fedasz	Y	Miles Remer, <i>Treasurer</i>	Y

<b>Item #11:</b>	<b>Revised WISH Academy 21-22 LCAP budget overview for parents</b>		
<b>Description:</b>	Revisions to LCAP budget overview		
<b>Purpose:</b>	Vote		
<b>Presented By:</b>	Dr. Shawna Draxton/Jennie Brook		



<b>Materials:</b>	In Board Folder
<b>Est. Time</b>	10 min

Metrics to measure success have been added and documents have been resubmitted. Dr. Danelle Fisher moved to approve the item, Ben Tysch seconded. Roll call vote as follows:

Dr. Danelle Fisher, <i>President</i>	Y	Suzanne Madison Goldstein, <i>Vice President &amp; Secretary</i>	Y
Dr. Vicki Graf	Y	Dr. Mary McCullough	Y
Matthew Swanlund	-	Benjamin Tysch	Y
Karina Fedasz	Y	Miles Remer, <i>Treasurer</i>	Y

<b>Item #12:</b>	<b>Board Action Plan: Fiscal Policies and Operations</b>		
<b>Description:</b>	Action plan to monitor fiscal policy implementation and conduct policy review		
<b>Purpose:</b>	Fiscal Oversight		
<b>Presented By:</b>	Suzanne Goldstein/Dr Shawna Draxton/Miles Remer		
<b>Materials:</b>	In Board Folder		
<b>Est. Time:</b>	10 min		

WISH is adjusting to meet the needs of a growing organization and ensure proper fiscal oversight. WISH's Executive Committee presented a three point plan that includes:

- Board will carefully evaluate policy twice a year and will make the appropriate adjustments
- ED will add fiscal policy review to the quarterly administrative meetings to train and retrain administrative staff on policies
- Entire faculty and staff will receive training twice a year.

Ben Tysch moved to approve the item, Miles Remer seconded. Roll call vote as follows:

Dr. Danelle Fisher, <i>President</i>	Y	Suzanne Madison Goldstein, <i>Vice President &amp; Secretary</i>	Y
Dr. Vicki Graf	Y	Dr. Mary McCullough	Y
Matthew Swanlund	-	Benjamin Tysch	Y
Karina Fedasz	Y	Miles Remer, <i>Treasurer</i>	Y

<b>Item #13:</b>	<b>Alder GSE WISH 2022-23 MOU Extension Addendum</b>		
<b>Description:</b>	Teacher residency partnership extension		
<b>Purpose:</b>	Vote		
<b>Presented By:</b>	Dr Shawna Draxton		
<b>Materials:</b>	In Board Folder		
<b>Est. Time:</b>	10 min		

Renewal of existing Alder GSE contract that provides a teacher pipeline during national teacher shortage. Vicki Graf noted that LMU in the future may be able to partner with WISH to run a similar program using available state money. Ben Tysch moved to approve the item, Mary McCullough seconded. Roll call vote as follows:

Dr. Danelle Fisher, <i>President</i>	Y	Suzanne Madison Goldstein, <i>Vice President &amp; Secretary</i>	Y
Dr. Vicki Graf	Y	Dr. Mary McCullough	Y
Matthew Swanlund	-	Benjamin Tysch	Y
Karina Fedasz	Y	Miles Remer, <i>Treasurer</i>	Y

**VI. PUBLIC COMMENT**

None.

**VIII. CLOSED SESSION ITEMS:**

<b>Item #1:</b>	<b>Pending Litigation and/or Conference with Legal Counsel</b>
<b>Description:</b>	<u>Purpose and Authority:</u> <u>Conference with legal counsel re pending action–</u> OAH Case No. 2021110011 -- In Re FEF Closed session subject to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• California Government Code section 54956.9(d)(2)</li> <li>• California Government Code section 54956.9(d)(4)</li> <li>• California Government Code section 54956.9(e)(2)</li> <li>• California Government Code section 54956.9(e)(5)</li> </ul>
<b>Purpose:</b>	Information and Discussion of Pending Litigation and/or Conference with Legal Counsel
<b>Presented By:</b>	Suzanne Madison Goldstein with counsel from YMC
<b>Materials:</b>	N/A
<b>Est. Time</b>	10 min

Board President announced the commencement of closed session in compliance with the above-cited statutes at 6:22 pm to allow the board to confer telephonically with outside counsel YMC. The Board President announced the resumption of open session at 7:04 pm and reported out as follows:

Discussion only. No action taken.

**VIII. ADJOURNMENT:**

The Board President adjourned the meeting at 7:05 pm.