Board Meeting Minutes
Jan 26, 2021, 6:00pm // Remote via Zoom

Time	Agenda Item	Presenter(s)

6:00pm	Call to Order
	● Roll call (roster and committees)
	● Board: Tony, Nicole, Arya, Arthur, Simon, Aaron, Tama, Mashea, Bisi, Veronica, Jim
	● Staff: Stacy, Eric, and Natalie
	● Other: Aaron Cuny, consultant
	
	Minutes
	● **VOTE:** To approve minutes from Dec 15, 2020
	  ○ Jim motions, Simon seconds
	  ○ **VOTE: 9-0 to approve**
		Tony Williams

6:05pm	School Updates
	● ED Report
	  ○ Recruitment / Enrollment
	    ■ Recruitment is down citywide and at WLA. WLA will likely need an extended recruitment timeline in order to meet its projected enrollment.
	● Computer Science Pathways update
	  ○ Report
	    ■ Aaron presented analysis of computer science labor market in the DMV area, highlighting how WLA's college and career pathways might need to shift to meet the market's need.
	    ■ Aaron, Mashea, and Tama reflected the need for the second version of the report to also capture some of the alternative pathways into the tech sector outside of those opportunities provided from the big tech companies. Mashea suggested as well to look at how McKinley Tech approaches their CS preparedness.
		Stacy Kane
		
		Aaron Cuny, UpLiftED School Services

6:40pm	Governance Committee
	● **VOTE**: To approve an ongoing contract with UpLiftED to support research on Computer Science Pathways, which will exceed $25K over the course of FY21.
	  ○ **VOTE: 11-0 to approve**
	  ○ Next phase of research would include the broadened view requested by the board.
	● Board Member pipeline development
	● State of committees + approach
		Tony Williams

	Development & Partnerships Committee
	● **VOTE:** Board member giving
	   ○ **VOTE: 10-1 to approve**
	● **VOTE:** Policies for accepting donations on behalf of WLA
	   ○ **VOTE: 11-0 to approve**
		Arthur McKee

	Academic Committee ● Simon reported out on WLA's unusually high rate of Ds and Fs during SY20-21 compared to previous years, as well as the board's support of leadership's plan to continue to support students academically through the pandemic.	Simon Rodberg
	Stakeholder Engagement Committee ● Bisi reported working with Eric and Stacy on ongoing efforts to address student, family and staff feedback.	Bisi Oyedele
	Communications Committee ● Veronica reported about communications support for an upcoming initiative and offered support to other committees.	Veronica Toney
7:20pm	Closed Session ● Link provided by Arthur	Tony Williams
7:45pm	Adjourn	Tony Williams

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Record of Votes

Board Member	Vote / Outcome	To approve policies for accepting donations on behalf of WLA	To approve policy on board member giving to WLA	To approve an ongoing contract with UpLiftED to support research on Computer Science Pathway, which will exceed $25K over the course of FY21.	To approve minutes from Dec 15, 2020	Attendance
Meeting Date		**January 26, 2021**				
Board Member	Outcome	11-0 to approve	10-1 to approve	11-0 to approve	9-0 to approve	Attendance
Jim Doyle		Y	Seconds, Y	Motions to approve, Y	Motions to approve, Y	x
Andrea Sparks-Brown						
Marvette Cofield						
Simon Rodberg		Y	Y	Y	Seconds, Y	x
Arya Parvizi		Y	Y	Y	Y	x
Tama Aga		Y	Y	Y	Y	x
Aaron Saunders		Y	Y	Y	Y	x
Nicole Latimer Wood		Y	Y	Y	Y	x
Veronica Toney		Y	N	Y	Y	x
Mashea Ashton		Y	Y	Y	(Not yet on call)	x
Bisi Oyedele		Seconds, Y	Y	Y	(Not yet on call)	x
Tony Williams		Y	Motions to approve, Y	Y	Y	x
Arthur McKee		Motions to approve, Y	Y	Seconds, Y	Y	x

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SY20-21 WLA Board
Tentative Meeting Dates and Topics

Date	Primary Topic/Action	Responsible Committee
All meetings	● Progress against PMF goals ● Progress against Strategic Plan ● School Update from the Executive Director ● Committee Updates ● Contracts Read Into the Record	
Mar 9, 2021	● **VOTE**: Form 990	
Jun 15, 2021	● **VOTE**: SY21-22 Budget ● **VOTE**: SY21-22 XQ Milestones + Budget	● Finance ● Finance
October 2022	● **VOTE**: Annual Audit	● Finance