

TRIO Wolf Creek Distance Learning Charter School #4095
School Board Meeting Minutes
Jan 20, 2026
Consent Agenda

Board Members Present:

- Sandy Flint
- Sue Frame
- Lindsay Coppernoll
- Jennifer Lake
- Bill Mack
- Ruth Stark
- Brianna Karnes
- Ashley Swenson

Ex-Officio Members Present: Mike Hamernick

1. **Call Meeting to Order:** The Wolf Creek Charter School Board met on Tuesday, January 20, 2026. Board Chair Lake opened the meeting at 4:30 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by the reading of Wolf Creek's mission and vision statements and the Wolf Creek motto.
2. **Roll Call, Acronyms, Conflict of Interest, and Approval of Agendas:** A roll call was taken, and it was determined that all members were present. No board members had conflicts of interest to disclose. Hamernick requested that three items be added to the agenda: A Safety, Legal Compliance, and Belonging Resolution under 8.c., a third calendar option under 8.b.3, and an updated enrollment report as of 1/20/26 to replace the report in the packet from 1/13/26. A motion was made by Flint and seconded by Karnes to accept the regular and consent agendas with changes. All voted, and the motion passed.
3. **Open Forum:** None.
4. **Visitors:**
 - a. In-Person
 - i. Jolene Comstock
 - b. Virtual:
 - i. Robyn Vosberg-Torgerson
 - ii. Hannah Swenson
5. **Consent Agenda Items:**
 - a. Strategic Plan Initiatives -
 - i. Ensure that all budgeted enrollment numbers are met to fulfill the needs of students and Wolf Creek's capacity through marketing efforts,
 - ii. Provide high-quality curriculum options to students by continually reviewing curriculum options and promoting enhancements toward achieving goals of engaging, flexible,

- differentiated, and personalized learning. To achieve this, all staff members will be offered high-quality professional development,
- iii. Engage families as partners in their students' academic progress whenever possible,
 - iv. Provide a safe, comfortable, and accepting environment for all students regardless of backgrounds, beliefs, or identities. Wolf Creek is committed to creating a community where everyone feels welcome and valued,
 - v. Ensure that students feel supported in academic and non-academic pursuits in a variety of ways.
- b. Bills and Wires for Payment- The bills dated January 3, 2026, totaled \$74,094.46.
- c. Policy - Policy Committee met on Jan. 12, 2026, and reviewed the following policies:
- i. 207 Public Hearings
 - ii. 305 Policy Implementation
 - iii. 424 License Status
 - iv. 519 Interview of Student by Outside Agencies
 - v. 709 Student Transportation Safety

6. Presentation of Finance and Investments:

- a. Finance and Investment Report - Vosberg-Torgerson presented the Finance Report dated December 31, 2025, which showed total revenues of \$205,961.76 and total expenditures of \$205,113.73, resulting in a surplus of \$848.03. This surplus left a cash on hand balance of \$1,573,737.06 and an investment of \$969,000.00. A motion was made by Coppernoll and seconded by Stark to approve the report. The motion passed, and the report was approved.
- b. Bills and Wires for Payment - Consent Agenda Item.

7. Reports:

- a. Monthly Director Report: The first Director Report of 2026 primarily addressed the enrollment challenges facing Wolf Creek and how to staff the building based on the number of students who attend campus. He also updated the board on the new security cameras that were installed, the cancellation of the Chisago Lakes Home and Business Expo, and plans to take students on a field trip to 'Construct Tomorrow' in Hinkley, MN.
- b. Data:
 - i. Enrollment - Hamernick reported that enrollment continues to change almost daily, but at the meeting time, it stood at 239.5: 215 full-time, 45 part-time, and 4 PSEO. There were still 4 full-time and 3 part-time students waiting to be added.
 - ii. Personnel Committee to meet - Due to the increasing enrollment numbers, the board decided schedule a Personnel Committee meeting to discuss hiring more staff. The meeting is set for 1/29/26 at 10:00 am.

8. Business:

- a. Consideration of Minutes from Previous Meetings: A motion was made by Frame and seconded by Swenson to approve the minutes from the regular board meeting on December 16, 2025. The motion passed, and the minutes were approved.
- b. Approval Calendar for 2026-27 SY: Hamernick presented the board with three different calendar options for the school year 2026-27. The status quo is to match the Chisago Lakes

High School calendar, but because Labor Day falls on a later date in 2026, they will be starting a week before the holiday. After discussion, the board decided to choose the option that started after Labor Day and gave staff additional time off at Christmas. A motion was made by Karnes and seconded by Coppernoll, to accept version three of the calendar for SY 26-27. All voted, and the motion was approved.

- c. Signing a Safety, Legal Compliance, and Belonging Resolution: Hamernick urged the board to join other Minnesota schools and sign a resolution stating that Wolf Creek would follow all state and federal laws regarding the education of students and allowing unauthorized agents into the building. A motion made by Frame to have all board members sign the document and then have it uploaded to the Wolf Creek website was seconded by Coppernoll. All voted in favor, and the motion passed.

9. Policy and Procedure:

- a. Policy: Consent Agenda Item
- b. Procedure: None

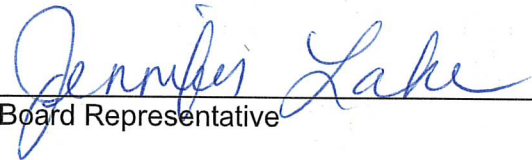
10. Board Member Reports:

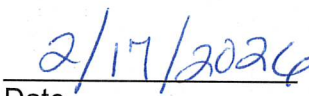
- a. Future Board Topics -Nothing discussed at this time
- b. Study Session on Feb 24, 2026 - The topic will be changes to the Wolf Creek bylaws, with personnel from IQS attending. The meeting will start at 4:30 pm.

11. Other: The next meeting will be Tuesday, February 17, 2026, at 4:30 pm.

12. Adjournment: A motion was made by Coppernoll to adjourn the meeting at 5:23 p.m., with a second by Karnes. The motion passed, and the meeting was adjourned.

Approval of Minutes for the Jan 20, 2026 Meeting:


Board Representative


Date

