

TRIO Wolf Creek Distance Learning Charter School #4095
School Board Meeting Minutes
May 19, 2026
Consent Agenda

Board Members Present:

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

Ex-Officio Members Present: Mike Hamernick

1. **Call Meeting to Order:** The Wolf Creek Charter School Board met on Tuesday, May 19, 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 Directors Coppernoll and Swenson were attending virtually. No board members had conflicts of interest to disclose. Hamernick requested the following change: adding the IQS contract to item 8.D., so it would be ready for the board to approve when needed. Director Stark made a motion to accept the regular agenda with the change and the consent agenda, seconded by Flint. A roll call vote was taken with the following: Lake - yes, Frame - yes, Flint - yes, Coppernoll - yes, Karnes - yes, Mack - yes, Stark - yes, and Swenson - yes. The motion passed.

3. **Open Forum:** None.

4. **Visitors:**
 - a. **In-Person:**
 - i. Chris Wallin

 - b. **Virtual:**
 - i. Jolene Comstock
 - ii. Loren Pfaff
 - iii. 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 May 12, 2026, totaled \$21,471.23.

c. Finance Committee Meeting Notes

d. Policy - Notes from Meeting on 5 - 11 - 26

- i. 413 Harassment and Violence
- ii. 525 Violence Prevention
- iii. 615 Testing Accommodations, Modifications, and Exemptions for IEPs, Section 504 Plans and LEP Students
- iv. 701 Establishment and Adoption of Charter School Budget
- v. 703 Annual Audit
- vi. 714 Fund Balances
- vii. 721 Procurement Policy
- viii. 906 Community Notification of Predatory Offenders

6. Presentation of Finance and Investments:

- a. Finance and Investment Report - Vosberg-Torgerson presented the Finance Report dated April 30, 2026, which showed total revenues of \$187,364.57 and total expenditures of \$197,222.16, resulting in a May deficit of \$(9,857.59). This left a cash-on-hand balance of \$1,645,604.66 and an investment of \$977,000.00. Director Stark moved, and Karnes seconded, to approve the report. A roll call vote was taken with the following: Lake - yes, Frame - yes, Flint - yes, Coppernoll - yes, Karnes - yes, Mack - yes, Stark - yes, and Swenson - yes. The motion passed.
- b. Preliminary Budget for 2026-27 - Vosberg-Torgerson reported that the budget for next school year was underway and would look similar to the current one. She also said that the annual audit was scheduled to take place on October 12 and 13, 2026.

7. Reports:

- a. Monthly Director Report - Hamernick said that the authorizer transition notwithstanding, the 2025-26 school year was a good one with many things to be proud of. High enrollment, consistent staff, and 67 graduates, with 36 walking and seven of them wearing honors cords, were among the highlights.

b. Data -

- i. Enrollment - The enrollment totals continue to be above average, and applications for both full-time and part-time are still being accepted. Student counts reported at: full-time - 206; Supplemental - 51; PSEO - 6, for a total of 263 students, adjusted to 234.5. The five-year average for May is 212.2.
- ii. ADM Report - The Average Daily Membership report shows the board what the state has paid us for enrollment and what future budgets might take into consideration. Based on enrollment, the ADM continued to increase, and the final number was 210.99.

8. Business:

- a. **Consideration of Minutes from Previous Meetings -** A motion was made by Stark and seconded by Frame to approve the minutes from the regular and special board meetings on April 21st, May 4th, and May 11th, 2026. A roll call vote was taken with the following: Lake - yes, Frame - yes, Flint - yes, Coppernoll - yes, Karnes - yes, Mack - yes, Stark - yes, and Swenson - yes. The motion passed.
- b. **Board Election Results -** Hamernick, Flint, and Heather Johnson tallied the results of the 2026 School Board election with a total ballot count of 15 and the following: Chris Wallin was on the ballot and received 15 out of 15 votes and will be the new full-time Teacher Representative. Robin Hustvedt received 3 write-in votes for Parent Rep, but has not accepted the nomination and will not be joining the board. Talene Eddleston received 3 write-in votes and will be a new Parent Representative. Catherine Veith-Bruno received 4 write-in votes and will be a new Community-at-Large Representative. A motion was made by Frame and seconded by Flint to approve the canvassing of the ballots. A roll call vote was taken with the following: Lake - yes, Frame - yes, Flint - yes, Coppernoll - yes, Karnes - yes, Mack - yes, Stark - yes, and Swenson - yes. The motion passed.
- c. **Authorizer Transfer and Options -** Tabled until a continuation of the meeting on May 22, 2026, at 9:00 am.
- d. **Approval of IQS Contract -** Tabled until a continuation of the meeting on May 22, 2026, at 9:00 am.

9. Policy and Procedure:

- a. **Policy -** Policies 590 Admission and Enrollment, 536 Lottery Policy, and 613 Graduation Requirements were brought back to the board to comply with changes suggested by IQS and MDE. A motion was made by Mack and seconded by Stark to approve the policies with the revisions. A roll call vote was taken with the following: Lake - yes, Frame - yes, Flint - yes, Coppernoll - yes, Karnes - yes, Mack - yes, Stark - yes, and Swenson - yes. The motion passed.
- b. **Procedure -** None.

10. Board Member Reports:

- a. **Future Board Topics -** Nothing discussed at this time
- b. **Board Retreat Reminder -** Retreat set for July 28th at 4:00 pm.

11. Other: The next meeting will be Tuesday, June 16, 2026, at 4:30 pm.

12. Recess: A motion to take a recess until 9:00 am on May 22, 2026, was made by Flint and seconded by Frame at 4:57 pm. A role call vote was taken with the following: Lake - yes, Frame - yes, Flint - yes, Coppernoll - yes, Karnes - yes, Mack - yes, Stark - yes, and Swenson - yes. The motion passed.

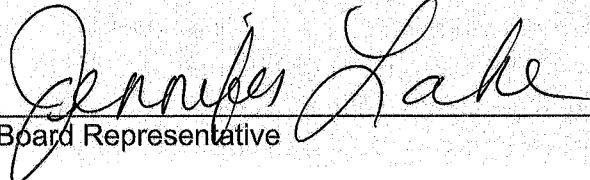
13. Reconvened: A motion was made by Stark and seconded by Frame to reconvene the original meeting at 9:00 am on May 22, 2026. A role call vote was taken with the following: Lake - yes, Frame - yes, Flint - yes, Coppernoll - yes, Karnes - yes, Mack - yes, Stark - yes, and Swenson - yes. The motion passed.

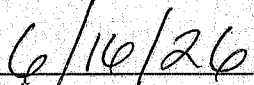
8. c. Authorizer Transfer and Options - Tabled until a Special Meeting on 5/25/26 if necessary. (Due to the transfer approval from MDE, the Special Meeting for 5/25/26 was cancelled.)

8. d. Approval of IQS Contract - The board approved the 3-year contract with IQS pending a transfer approval from MDE (received later in the day).

14. Adjournment: A motion was made by Stark to adjourn the meeting at 9:15 am, with a second by Frame. A role call vote was taken with the following: Lake - yes, Frame - yes, Flint - yes, Coppernoll - yes, Karnes - yes, Mack - yes, Stark - yes, and Swenson - yes. The motion passed.

Approval of Minutes for the May 19, 2026 Meeting:


Board Representative


Date