

TRIO Wolf Creek Distance Learning Charter School #4095

School Board Meeting Minutes

Aug 18, 2026

Consent Agenda

In Person Virtual Absent

Board Members Present:

Sue Frame	☒	☐	☐
Ruth Stark	☒	☐	☐
Lindsay Coppernoll	☐	☒	☐
Brianna Karnes	☒	☐	☐
Bill Mack	☒	☐	☐
Talene Eddleston	☒	☐	☐
Ashley Swenson	☐	☐	☒
Catherine Veith-Bruno	☒	☐	☐
Chris Wallin	☒	☐	☐

Ex-Officio Members Present:

Mike Hamernick	☒	☐	☐
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1. **Call Meeting to Order:** The Wolf Creek Charter School Board met on Tuesday, August 18, 2026. Board Director Frame opened the meeting at 4:38 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:** The board took roll call and determined that Director Swenson was absent and Director Coppernoll attended virtually. No board members had conflicts of interest to disclose. Hamernick requested two changes to the Regular agenda: 7.c. would become the enrollment cap discussion, and 8.e. would become a discussion about an employee agreement. Director Stark also asked that the bills and wires be taken out of the Consent Agenda and moved to 6.b. so she could ask questions about a payment. Director Stark moved to accept the Consent Agenda with changes, seconded by Veith-Bruno, and Veith-Bruno moved to accept the Regular Agenda with changes, seconded by Stark. A roll call vote was taken with the following: Coppernoll - yes, Eddleston - yes, Frame - yes, Karnes - yes, Mack - yes, Stark - yes, Veith-Bruno - yes, and Wallin- yes. The motion passed.
3. **Open Forum: None**
4. **Visitors:**
 - a. **In-Person:**
 - i. Hannah Swenson

b. Virtual:

- i. Robyn Vosberg-Torgerson
- ii. Tim Golden, IQS
- iii. Jolene Comstock
- iv. Sandy Flint

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. August Bills and Wires for Payment - moved to 6.b.

c. Policy - Policy Committee met on 8/10/2026 and discussed the following:

- i. Policy 402 Disability Non-discrimination
- ii. Policy 407 Employee Right to Know - Hazardous Materials
- iii. Policy 409 Employee Publications, Instr. Materials, Inventions & Creations
- iv. Policy 423 Employee-Student Relationship
- v. Policy 503 Student Attendance
- vi. Policy 514 Bullying Prohibition
- vii. Policy 521 Student Disability Non-discrimination and Grievance Report
- viii. Policy 524 Internet, Technology, and Cell Phone Acceptable Use & Safety

6. Presentation of Finance and Investments:

- a. **Finance and Investment Report** - Vosberg-Torgerson presented the Finance Report dated July 31, 2026, showing total revenues of \$238,698.92 and total expenditures of \$146,513.02, resulting in a credit of \$92,185.90. This left a cash-on-hand balance of \$1,689,626.48 and an investment of \$979,000.00. Director Stark moved, and Wallin seconded, to approve the report. A roll call vote was taken with the following: Coppernoll - yes, Eddleston - yes, Frame - yes, Karnes - yes, Mack - yes, Stark - yes, Veith-Bruno - yes, and Wallin- yes. The motion passed.
- b. **Bills and Wires for Payment** - Director Stark requested that the bills and wires be moved to inquire about a payment to CDW Gov't. Hamernick informed the board that it was the company he purchased laptop computers from. A motion was made by Stark and seconded by Veith-Bruno to approve the bills and wires dated 8/11/2026. A roll call vote was taken with the following: Coppernoll - yes, Eddleston - yes, Frame - yes, Karnes - yes, Mack - yes, Stark - yes, Veith-Bruno - yes, and Wallin - yes. The motion passed.

7. Reports:

- a. **Monthly Director Report** - Hamernick reported on the work being done at the school during the summer: painting, cleaning, landscaping, onboarding new staff and new board members, planning for the Kichisaga Days parade, and the 25th Anniversary of Wolf Creek. He updated the board on the steady enrollment and staffing needs.
- b. **Data** -
 - i. **Summer School Session 1** - reviewed from the August meeting.
 - ii. **Summer School Session 2** - The session ended on July 3rd and was one of the most successful second terms Wolf Creek has had. Four diplomas were issued, and 73% of the 37 students passed.
 - iii. **Student/Parent Survey Results** - Former board member and Data lead, Sandy Flint, joined the meeting to present the results of the annual survey given to students and parents. Overall, the comments were positive.
- c. **Enrollment Cap** - Hamernick asked the board to make a motion on setting the enrollment numbers for both part-time and full-time students. Part-time students will be capped at 60, and full-time will be 190. Hamernick said he will reach out to teachers individually to see if anyone would be willing to take more students if needed.

8. Business:

- a. **Consideration of Minutes from Previous Meetings** - A motion was made by Veith-Bruno, and seconded by Stark, to approve the minutes from the regular meeting on July 21st, 2026. A roll call vote was taken with the following: Coppernoll - yes, Eddleston - yes, Frame - yes, Karnes - yes, Mack - yes, Stark - yes, Veith-Bruno - yes, and Wallin - yes. The motion passed.
- b. **Wolf Creek's New Name** - Hamernick revisited the proposed website changes and asked the board to give him authority to buy a new domain name. A motion was made by Mack and seconded by Coppernoll to approve the name Wolf Creek Online High School and allow Hamernick to proceed with autonomy. A roll call vote was taken with the following: Coppernoll - yes, Eddleston - yes, Frame - yes, Karnes - yes, Mack - yes, Stark - yes, Veith-Bruno - yes, and Wallin - yes. The motion passed.
- c. **Approve Board Member Compensation** - The board discussed the statute about compensation of board members and what the process is at comparable schools. A motion was made by Veith-Bruno and seconded by Stark to approve paying board members \$50.00 for a two-hour meeting and \$75.00 for anything over three hours. A roll call vote was taken with the following: Coppernoll - yes, Eddleston - yes, Frame - yes, Karnes - yes, Mack - yes, Stark - yes, Veith-Bruno - yes, and Wallin - yes. The motion passed.
- d. **Approve Heather Johnson as Board Clerk** - A motion was made by Stark and seconded by Eddleston to approve Johnson as the official Board Clerk. Johnson accepted. A roll call vote was taken with the following: Coppernoll - yes, Eddleston - yes, Frame - yes, Karnes - yes, Mack - yes, Stark - yes, Veith-Bruno - yes, and Wallin - yes. The motion passed.
- e. **Approve David Alves' Agreement** - An employment agreement for the part-time American Sign Language teacher David Alves was brought to the board for approval. A motion was made by Stark and seconded by Eddleston to approve the agreement for D. Alves. A roll call vote was taken with the following: Coppernoll - yes, Eddleston - yes, Frame - yes, Karnes - yes, Mack - yes, Stark - yes, Veith-Bruno - yes, and Wallin - yes. The motion passed.

9. Policy and Procedure:

- a. **Policy** - Consent Agenda
- b. **Procedure** - none

10. Board Member Reports:

- a. **Future Board Topics** - Strategic Planning Discussion will continue, and a possible study session may be planned.
- b. **Board Member's Term Information** - A reference for board members showing terms and the members that are in the committees and working groups.

11. Other: The next meeting will be Tuesday, September 22, 2026, at 4:30 pm.

12. Adjournment: A motion was made by Karnes to adjourn the meeting at 5:50 pm, seconded by Veith-Bruno. A roll call vote was taken with the following: Coppernoll - yes, Eddleston - yes, Frame - yes, Karnes - yes, Mack - yes, Stark - yes, Veith-Bruno - yes, and Wallin - yes. The motion passed.

Approval of Minutes for the Aug 18, 2026 Meeting:

Dwight Frame
Board Representative

9/22/2026
Date