



Wallace Stegner Academy Board of Directors Meeting

Date: August 5, 2026

Teleconference: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83672428866>

In Attendance: Sarah Vaughan, Tony Furano, Jeremy Schow

Excused: Frank Magana, Reed Farnsworth

Others in Attendance: Adam Gerlach, Anthony Sudweeks, Platte Nielson, Chantel Wixon, Hannah Jones, David Robertson, Brandon Johnson

Wallace Stegner Academy will foster a community of active learners through academic rigor and citizenship by providing an opportunity for students to achieve academic excellence.

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER Sarah Vaughan called the meeting to order at 5:33 PM.

CONSENT ITEMS

- July 6, 2026, Board Meeting Minutes
Sarah Vaughan made a motion to approve the July 6th, 2026, Board Meeting Minutes. Tony Furano seconded. The motion passed unanimously. The votes were as follows: Sarah Vaughan, Aye; Tony Furano, Aye; Jeremy Schow, Aye.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comments.

VOTING ITEMS

- Financing Resolution
Board members are asked to consider adoption of a resolution authorizing the acquisition and construction of school facilities and a financing for the project. The attached resolution approves (i) the bond financing, (ii) the project, including the acquisition and construction of the Kearns and Sunset campuses, and (iii) tax and continuing disclosure procedures relating to the bonds.
Sarah Vaughan made a motion to approve the Financing Resolution. Jeremy Schow seconded. The motion passed unanimously. The votes were as follows: Sarah Vaughan, Aye; Tony Furano, Aye; Jeremy Schow, Aye.

Brandon Johnson and David Robertson left the meeting at 5:46 PM.

- Mariposa Consulting Invoice
Mariposa Consulting Group has submitted Invoice No. 2283 in the amount of \$38,250.00 for board review and approval. The invoice represents the fourth of four installments (Invoice 4 of 4) under the school's enrollment and marketing

engagement and includes two-line items: Enrollment and Marketing Consulting for the Marketing Accelerator Program coaching and capacity building (\$8,250.00), and Direct Media Costs for student recruitment advertising (\$30,000.00). The invoice is dated July 1, 2026, with Net 30 terms and a due date of July 31, 2026. Board approval is requested to authorize payment.

Tony Furano made a motion to approve the Mariposa Consulting Invoice. Jeremy Schow seconded. The motion passed unanimously. The votes were as follows: Sarah Vaughan, Aye; Tony Furano, Aye; Jeremy Schow, Aye.

- School Transportation Quote

Lewis Bus Group has submitted Quote No. 415520, dated July 22, 2026, in the amount of \$215,000.00 for board review and approval. The quote is for one (1) 2027 Thomas Built HDX2 380DS school bus (85-passenger capacity, Cummins L9 300 diesel engine, full air-ride suspension, and air conditioning), configured as a trip bus per the school's specifications (Customer Order No. WSA-AC-TRIP-FULL AIR) and including installation of a video camera system per WSA specifications. The total delivery cost of \$215,000.00 is inclusive of all listed equipment. Board approval is requested to authorize the purchase.

Sarah Vaughan made a motion to approve the School Transportation Quote from Lewis Bus Group not to exceed \$215,000. Jeremy Schow seconded. The motion passed unanimously. The votes were as follows: Sarah Vaughan, Aye; Tony Furano, Aye; Jeremy Schow, Aye.

- IXL Invoice

IXL Learning has submitted Renewal Quote No. 1680242-2, dated July 27, 2026, in the amount of \$48,395.00 for board review and approval. The quote renews the school's IXL subscriptions for the period August 7, 2026, through August 7, 2027, and includes IXL Personalized Learning Premium – Math and Science, Grades PK-8 (\$42,900.00); IXL Personalized Learning Select – Math, Grades PK-12 (\$4,200.00); and Express PD professional development services (\$1,295.00). Board approval is requested to authorize payment.

Sarah Vaughan made a motion to approve the IXL Invoice. Tony Furano seconded. The motion passed unanimously. The votes were as follows: Sarah Vaughan, Aye; Tony Furano, Aye; Jeremy Schow, Aye.

- 2026-2027 LEA Specific Licenses

The license areas and endorsements shall be valid for three (3) academic years as indicated on the attached spreadsheet, which contains the associated educator information and rationale for the request. All LEA-Specific licenses will expire on June 30th of the final academic year approved. The Wallace Stegner Academy Board of Directors additionally acknowledges that LEA-Specific educator licenses, license areas, or endorsements may be renewed by the Utah State Board of Education (USBE). These renewals will be approved or denied on a case-by-case basis. It is being requested that 26 individuals be approved for LEA Specific Licenses.

Sarah Vaughan made a motion to approve the 2026-2027 LEA Specific Licenses. Jeremy Schow seconded. The motion passed unanimously. The votes were as follows: Sarah Vaughan, Aye; Tony Furano, Aye; Jeremy Schow, Aye.

○ *Policies*

- Parent and School Compact
- Parent & Family Engagement Policy
- Attendance Policy
- Capitalization and Expense Policy
- Electronic Resources Policy
- Fee Waiver Policy
- Lottery and Enrollment Policy
- Paid Parental and Postpartum Recovery Leave Policy
- Procurement Policy
- Religion and Education Policy
- Sex Education Instruction Policy
- Emergency Operations Plan

The policy summaries included in the board documentation highlight the changes made to each policy listed above. Board members reviewed and discussed the suggested changes.

Sarah Vaughan made a motion to approve the policies listed above. Tony Furano seconded. The motion passed unanimously. The votes were as follows: Sarah Vaughan, Aye; Tony Furano, Aye; Jeremy Schow, Aye.

CLOSED SESSION- to discuss the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an individual pursuant to Utah Code 52-4-205(1)(a).

This item was tabled.

VOTING ITEMS

- Ratified 2026-2027 CEO Employment Agreements

The board reviewed the ratified CEO employment agreements. There were no questions or concerns from the board regarding the agreements.

Sarah Vaughan made a motion to approve the policies listed above. Tony Furano seconded. The motion passed unanimously. The votes were as follows: Sarah Vaughan, Aye; Tony Furano, Aye; Jeremy Schow, Aye.

CALENDARING

The next board meeting is scheduled for October 28, 2026, at 5:30 PM via Zoom.

ADJOURN

At 6:03 PM Sarah Vaughan made a motion to adjourn. Jeremy Schow seconded. The motion passed unanimously. The votes were as follows: Sarah Vaughan, Aye; Tony Furano, Aye; Jeremy Schow, Aye.