



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

<b>Time</b>	<b>Agenda Item</b>	<b>Presenter(s)</b>
6:00pm	<p>Call to Order</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Roll call (roster and committees)</li> <li>● Board: Tony, Nicole, Arya, Arthur, Simon, Aaron, Tama, Mashea, Bisi, Veronica, Jim</li> <li>● Staff: Stacy, Eric, and Natalie</li> <li>● Other: Aaron Cuny, consultant</li> </ul> <p>Minutes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● <b>VOTE:</b> To approve minutes from Dec 15, 2020 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Jim motions, Simon seconds</li> <li>○ <b>VOTE: 9-0 to approve</b></li> </ul> </li> </ul>	Tony Williams
6:05pm	<p>School Updates</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● ED Report <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Recruitment / Enrollment <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Recruitment is down citywide and at WLA. WLA will likely need an extended recruitment timeline in order to meet its projected enrollment.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> <li>● Computer Science Pathways update <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Report <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ 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.</li> <li>■ 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.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<p>Stacy Kane</p> <p>Aaron Cuny, UpLiftED School Services</p>
6:40pm	<p>Governance Committee</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● <b>VOTE:</b> To approve an ongoing contract with UpLiftED to support research on Computer Science Pathways, which will exceed \$25K over the course of FY21. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <b>VOTE: 11-0 to approve</b></li> <li>○ Next phase of research would include the broadened view requested by the board.</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Board Member pipeline development</li> <li>● State of committees + approach</li> </ul>	Tony Williams

	<p>Development &amp; Partnerships Committee</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● <b>VOTE:</b> Board member giving <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <b>VOTE: 10-1 to approve</b></li> </ul> </li> <li>● <b>VOTE:</b> Policies for accepting donations on behalf of WLA <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <b>VOTE: 11-0 to approve</b></li> </ul> </li> </ul>	Arthur McKee
	<p>Academic Committee</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● 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.</li> </ul>	Simon Rodberg
	<p>Stakeholder Engagement Committee</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Bisi reported working with Eric and Stacy on ongoing efforts to address student, family and staff feedback.</li> </ul>	Bisi Oyedele
	<p>Communications Committee</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Veronica reported about communications support for an upcoming initiative and offered support to other committees.</li> </ul>	Veronica Toney
7:20pm	<p>Closed Session</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Link provided by Arthur</li> </ul>	Tony Williams
7:45pm	<p>Adjourn</p>	Tony Williams

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**Record of Votes**

		<b>January 26, 2021</b>				
Meeting Date						
	<b>Vote</b>	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	
Board Member	<b>Outcome</b>	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	Y	Seconds, Y	x
Arya Parvizi	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	x
Tama Aga	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	x
Aaron Saunders	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	x
Nicole Latimer Wood	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	x
Veronica Toney	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	x
Mashea Ashton	Y	Y	Y	Y	(Not yet on call)	x
Bisi Oyedele	Seconds, Y	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



**SY20-21 WLA Board  
Tentative Meeting Dates and Topics**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Primary Topic/Action</b>	<b>Responsible Committee</b>
All meetings	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Progress against PMF goals</li><li>● Progress against Strategic Plan</li><li>● School Update from the Executive Director</li><li>● Committee Updates</li><li>● Contracts Read Into the Record</li></ul>	
Mar 9, 2021	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● <b>VOTE:</b> Form 990</li></ul>	
Jun 15, 2021	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● <b>VOTE:</b> SY21-22 Budget</li><li>● <b>VOTE:</b> SY21-22 XQ Milestones + Budget</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Finance</li><li>● Finance</li></ul>
October 2022	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● <b>VOTE:</b> Annual Audit</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Finance</li></ul>