WOLCS Board: Sharmain Matlock-Turner, President; Ava Willis-Barksdale, Vice President; David R. Bright, Treasurer, Nicole McLaurin, Secretary, Wes Somerville, Uva Coles, Irv Brockington, Dr. Linda Fleisher, Julian Thompson, Wendy Thomas.

WOLCS Staff: Dr. Debbera Peoples-Lee, Sheila Royal-Moses, Michele Jones, Charletta Zeigler, Tiffany Davis-Thompson, Kirsten Coleman

Guests: Peter Costa, Business Manager – Santilli & Thomson, Barbara McNeil, Consultant - Bara Associates,

Recorder: Tamara Jackson

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 8:39am. Tamara Jackson completed Roll Call.

Attendees: Julian Thompson, Dr. Linda Fleisher, Ava Willis-Barksdale, Nicole McLaurin, Wendy Thomas, Wes Somerville, David R. Bright, Irv Brockington

Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes: Monday, January 28, 2019
Motion for Approval made by David R. Bright  Seconded by  Dr. Linda Fleisher Passed Unanimously

Finance and Budget Committee Report: Introduced by David R. Bright, Chair
Peter Costa reviewed the financial summary for February 2019. Mr. Costa stated that the finance committee held its meeting on Thursday, February 21, 2019. Mr. Costa stated that there were no major discrepancies, however as we start to review the current budget, he along with the committee will keep the Board updated on any significant changes.
as well as authorized signatures of the Finance Chair and Dr. Lee. Peter also presented the budget timeline for 2019-2020 school year.

Revenues:
• Revenues are current as of February 2019

Expenses:
• Most of the expenses are in line with the budget
• Line 38 Special Ed Professional Services Subs Is over the allocated budget and Is being reviewed and analyzed by the Administration with regards to a budget transfer from other allocated budget expenses to this line Item. The transfer would come from areas where the school Is under the current allocation.

Balance Sheet:
• Cash as of February 2019 approximately 2.8M
• Cash shows 80 days cash on hand

Treasury Operations:
• Disbursements for the month of February 2019 total approximately S723K and the Items over 10K are listed in the financial report.

Resolutions:

Resolution #32-18/19 Amendment to contract for U.S. Medical Inc.
Motion for Approval made Nicole McLaurin  Seconded by  Irv Brockington  Passed Unanimously

Resolution # 33-18/19 Special Education Settlement Agreement for Student SM
Resolution #34-18/19 Special Education Settlement Agreement for Student MS
Motion for Approval made Nicole McLaurin  Seconded by Irv Brockington  Passed Unanimously

Resolution #35-18/19 New Hires, Resignations
Motion for Approval made Wendy Thomas  Seconded by Dr. Linda Fleisher  Passed Unanimously

Resolution #36-18/19 Contract for M. Wynne
Motion for Approval made Wendy Thomas  Seconded by Dr. Linda Fleisher  Passed Unanimously

Committee Reports:

Personnel & Compensation Committee Report: Presented by Sheila Royal-Moses, (Ava Willis-Barksdale, Chair)
No Report

Resource & Development Committee Report: Presented by Michele Jones (Wes Somerville, Chair)
Mr. Somerville presented an update of the Educational Improvement Tax Credit (EITC) Program and how we are planning to move to the next step of establishing our Charitable Foundation. The committee is working closely with Attorney Barbara McNeil on further exploration of this effort.

Ms. Jones will be working in collaboration with Dr. Lee and other team members to prepare for our Annual Alumni Day at the school with the theme "Are You Future Ready?" this event will take place on Tuesday, May 14, 2019.

Academic Affairs Committee Report: Presented by Charletta Zeigler (Sharmain Matlock-Turner, Chair)
Ms. Moses briefly spoke about WOLCS PVAAS and SPR Group comparison scores and how WOLCS can increase progress and growth measures across the school. Ms. Moses introduced Ms. Kirsten Coleman who provided a more in-depth analysis of the data. WOLCS has the 2nd highest achievement score, 2nd highest climate score, 2nd highest reading at K-2nd grade level score however the SPR also looks at Progress which is an area where we need to continue our focus. Ms. Zeigler gave a brief overview of how we plan on increasing our progress/growth achievement level this school year. The ALT Team is implementing several new interventions and strategies that they fill will help with achieving our overall goal for achieving a positive rating in the progress/growth area.

Governance & Nominating Committee Presented by Dr. Lee (Sharmain Matlock-Turner, Chair)
Board Recruitment is on the way we have four potential candidates, Sylvia Watts McKinney, the Executive Director of Summer Search, Stephen Hopkins, Grandparent of a 4th grade student, Darius Rodney-Hurst, Alumni Class of 2010 and Dwight Pedro Lewis, Chief of Staff for Senator Art Haywood. We are in the process of scheduling the one on one interviews with the Board Chair and members of the Governance committee. In March the committee will select and finalize new board recruits, with official swearing tentatively scheduled for the April board meeting. The Governance & Nominating Committee will keep the Board updated as they complete the selection process.

CEO Report
Dr. Lee reported our current enrollment is 1048 (907 Regular, 141 SPED) and holding steady. As of March 22nd, Re-enrollment of current students is at 97%. The number of new applications for grades K-4 is 527. The deadline for both re-enrollment and new enrollment is April 3rd. The K Lottery will be held on April 24th. On February 19th, WOLCS hosted its 2nd quarter honor roll ceremony 297 students were honored, there were 31 more honors presented than first quarter (266). Every year at the beginning of March, children across the country kick off National Reading Month by celebrating the birthday of the beloved Dr. Seuss and the many characters that have been immortalized in his children’s books across the globe. On March 2nd, WOLCS was honored to have Congressman Dwight Evans visited the school to read the book “Grace for President” to our students, a priority he has held since the program too place. The week-long activities also included Fox in Sox’s “Crazy Socks” Day, Wacky Wednesday, Pajama Day and Lorax “Orange Shirt” Day. According to Dr. Seuss, “You’re never too old, too wacky, too wild, to pick up a book and read with a child!” On March 6th Families Being Involved hosted a Parent Math Workshops to help parents help their children with math. Thanks to Kirsten Coleman, Director of Math & Instructional Data, for presenting new strategies and PSSA Prep helpful hints to parents.
We are wishing good luck to three of our 8th grade students who were nominated to apply to Drexel University’s Women in Sciences Program for Summer 2019. Prayerfully we will have Jada Fowler, Anne Etienne and Trinity Hill-Akins spend this summer at Drexel learning to become great women in science. Kudos to our 8th grade science teacher Mrs. Spurri for her nominations. We hope we can continue this as a trend in Summer STEM programming for our middle schoolers. On Thursday, March 14th was International PI Day. WOLCS students and staff participated in a fun-filled day celebrating the amazing constant number PI, and all things math. All were permitted to dress down to show off their knowledge of PI by wearing pi (or pie) themed attire. WOLCS also held its 1st annual Math Bee where each class hosted a math competition in their classrooms. The winner of each competition then competed with their grade bands (K-2, 3-5 and 6-8). The final winner of each competition won the opportunity to pie an administrator in the face. A special thanks to Kirsten Coleman, our Director of Mathematics & Instructional Data for planning, organizing and orchestrating the fun day of exciting activities! National School Breakfast Week is being held at WOLCS from March 15-29. The theme is “Start Your Engines with School Breakfast.” Students that eat breakfast each day will have a chance to receive a raffle ticket that will be entered in a drawing on April 1st.

As a reminder, please save the date of May 22nd for our board meeting, board retreat and meet & greet will take place at the Belmont Mansion. In addition, from 6pm-8pm, WOLCS will host its Annual Scholarship Fundraiser. This event celebrates and seeks to deepen partnerships that enable our school to create exceptional learning experiences for WOLCS alumni. Our Executive Leadership Council which met on January 26th have been charged with assisting in the promotion and acquiring of sponsorships for the event. In addition, they will be reviewing the applications submitted and selecting the alumni for our three scholarship competitions.

Executive Session
At 8:59am The Board entered Executive Session to discuss matters related to Special Education Settlements.

Executive Session ended at 9:37am

Meeting was adjourned at 10:33am

Motion for Approval made by: Nicole McLaurin Second by: Wendy Thomas

The next Board Meeting is scheduled for Monday, April 29, 2019 6:00pm-8:00pm, at West Oak Lane Charter School.