Woodland School

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Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, July 8th, 2026 6 pm

I. Call To Order//The meeting was called to order at 6:19 pm.

II. Roll Call//Present were board members Grant Woods, Bethany Peek, Dana Matson, Mary Wodzien, Austin Waite and Norika Kida Betti. Absent was Jane Shank. Also present was Woodland Director, Rich Watson.

III. Approval of Agenda//A motion to approve the agenda as proposed was made by Dana Matson, seconded by Austin Waite. The motion passed unanimously.

IV. Approval of minutes:

A. Regular Board Meeting minutes on June 10th, 2026//A motion was made by Dana Matson to approve the regular Board Meeting minutes as presented, seconded by Grant Woods, and was approved unanimously.

B. Special Board Meeting minutes June 22nd, 2026//A motion was made by Austin Waite to approve the special Board Meeting minutes as presented, seconded by Grant Woods, and approved unanimously.

V. Financial Report//No financial report for the month of June at this time.

VI. Public Comment//

A. Angela Irwin presented the board with some literature regarding her company, AirWin Educational Services. She introduced herself and her company as well as proposed a four-phase process to strengthen the effectiveness of Woodland Schools's governance.

B. Parent Krista Demura asked clarifying questions to Angie Irwin about her work.

VII. Correspondence//None.

VIII. Items from Administration//

A. Director's report//Woodland School Director, Rich Watson discussed many things happening on campus this summer including 28 students taking advantage of summer school, regular maintenance of flooring and classrooms, as well as working on interviews to fill open positions.

IX. Old Business//

A. Fall Policy 1439//Mary Wodzien moved to table discussion of this policy to the next board meeting, following further review. This motion was seconded by Dana Matson, and passed unanimously.

B. Heartwood Foundation//Discussion regarding the Heartwood Foundation was had, and the Board agreed that this should stay on the agenda for future meetings, to continue discussion.

X. New Business//

A. Strategic Planning//A motion was made by Austin Waite to postpone the Strategic Planning retreat and to revisit strategic planning in the fall. The motion was seconded by Dana Matson, and passed unanimously.

B. Board Evaluation Survey Results//Bethany Peek indicated that the committee will review results of the staff survey and distribute results and goals to the board and staff prior to the next board meeting.

C. Board Committees//Board committees will be determined at the next board meeting.

D. School activities - Board attendance sign-up//discussion was had about upcoming school activities.

E. Introduction of Ancillary and Support teams schedule//Discussion was had to have the ancillary/support teams as visitors to the board meetings to present; a schedule will be presented at the next board meeting.

XI. Public Comment//Parent Krista Demura presented two proposals to the board regarding grounds planning and the mission and vision committee to engage professionals regarding planning.

XII. Adjournment. The motion to adjourn was made by Austin Waite, seconded by Norika Kida Betti, and passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 7:57 pm.

Beth Peek

Bethany Peek, secretary

8/12/26

Date