

Wilmar Union Elementary School District Meeting of the Board of Education MINUTES

Thursday, April 16, 2026 at 4:30 PM

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Meeting ID: 995 156 8233

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Teleconference Participation

In accordance with the Brown Act (AB 2449), board members may participate remotely with Board approval due to just cause or emergency circumstances and may fully participate, including voting.

Call to order and Flag Salute: _____

Board Members present: Andrea Balf (Zoom), Andrea Christensen, Lyn Romstad, and Kendra Benson

1.0 Approval of the Agenda: (If anyone is present for a particular agenda item, the Board may wish to bring that item forward at this time.) Motion to approve agenda.

Motion: Lyn Romstad

Second: Kendra Benson

Ayes: 4 Nays: 0

2.0 Public Comment:

At this time members of the public may address the Board on any items, that are not on the agenda, but are of interest to the public and that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Board. Members may address the Board on particular items on the agenda as they come up during the meeting. In accordance with Board Bylaw 9323, visitors are allowed to address the Board for up to three (3) minutes per individual and up to 20 minutes per topic. The Board President may increase or decrease the time allowed for public comment. The Board values public comments, but by the Brown Act, the Board shall not act upon, respond to, or comment on the merits of any item presented during this period. The Board may ask clarifying questions of the presenter or refer the presenter to a District procedure, if appropriate.

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3.0 Reports/presentations:

3.1 Superintendent/Principal: Enrollment and Staffing Updates

Superintendent's Report – Enrollment & Staffing Update

Superintendent Steve Hospodar provided an update on current enrollment and staffing considerations.

- The district is experiencing a **continued increase in enrollment**, with current enrollment now **exceeding 270 students**.
- This growth reflects a positive trend and ongoing interest in Wilson School.
- **Staffing decisions remain under review** at this time.
- The district is **waiting for completion of TK/Kindergarten screenings** to determine final enrollment numbers in the early grades.
- These finalized numbers will guide whether the district will:
 - Maintain current staffing levels, or
 - Move forward with any additional hiring.

3.2 Business Manager: Audit in progress

Chief Business Official Report – Audit Update

CBO Hale provided an update on the district audit.

- The audit process is **progressing smoothly**.
- All requested documentation and materials have been **submitted on time**.
- No concerns or issues have been identified at this point in the process.
- The district remains in **good standing** as the audit continues.

The Board acknowledged the update and expressed appreciation for the continued organization and oversight of the audit process.

3.3 Reports from Board Members: No reports

4.0 Information/Discussion:

- 4.1 (p.) County approval of Wilmar Union School District’s Second Interim Report for Fiscal Year 2025-26

5.0 Approval of the Consent Agenda by Consolidated Motion:

- 5.1 (p.) Approval of the Minutes of March 12, 2026.
- 5.2 (p.) Approve Budget Update Batches #BR 24-00058 through # BR24-00061 and #BT24-00004
- 5.3 (p.) Approve Williams Quarterly, showing no complaints for the period of January 1, 2026 through March 31, 2026.

Motion: Andrea Balf

Second: Lyn Romstad

Ayes: 4Noes: 0

6.0 Action Items:

- 6.1 (p.) **Approve the Board Payment Report.** Recommended Motion: That the Board approve the Board Payment Report for March 7, 2025 through April 17, 2025.

Motion: Kendra Benson

Second: Lyn Romstad

Ayes: 4Noes: 0

- 6.2 (p.) **Approve Academic Calendar for the 2026-27 School Year.** Recommended Motion: That the Board approve the Academic Calendar for the 2026-27 School Year.

Motion: Lyn Romstad

Second: Andrea Balf

Ayes: 4Noes: 0

- 6.3 (p.40) **Approve the Declaration of Need for Fully Qualified Educators for the 2026-2027 School Year.** Recommended Motion: That the Board approve the Declaration of Need for Fully Qualified Educators for the 2026-27 school year.

Motion: Kendra Benson Second: Andrea Balf Ayes: 4Noes: 0

6.4 (p.44) Approve the Wilson School Instructional Continuity Plan (ICP) for the 2026-2027 School Year. Recommended Motion: That the Board approve the Wilson School Instructional Continuity Plan (ICP) for the 2026-27 school year to ensure preparedness and equitable access to learning during short- or long-term disruptions to in-person instruction.

Motion: Lyn Romstad Second: Kendra Benson Ayes: 4Noes: 0

6.5 (p.) Approval of the Second Reading of Board Policies. Recommended Motion: That the Board approve the Second Reading of the Board Policies.

February:

AR 3440	BP 4119.21	BP 4219.21	BP 4319.21	BP 4119.24	BP 4219.24	BP4319.24
BP 4356.3	BP 5144.1	BP 5145.2	BP 6142.7	BP 6146.1	BP 6146.3	BP 6146.4
BP 6146.3	BP 6173	BP 6173.1	BP 6173.2	BP 6173.3	BP 6173.4	BP6175
BP 9250	BB 9322	BB 9323				

Motion: Lyn Romstad Second: Kendra Benson Ayes: 4Noes: 0

6.6 Approve Addition of Agenda Item – Hiring of Persinger Architects and Associates for Five-Year Facilities Plan. Recommended Motion: That the Board approve the added agenda item to Hire Persinger Architects and Associates for Five-Year Facilities Plan

Motion: Andrea Balf Second: Kendra Benson Ayes: 4Noes: 0

6.7 Approve the Hiring of Persinger Architects and Associates to Develop a Five-Year Facilities Plan for Wilson School. Recommended Motion: That the Board approve the hiring of Persinger Architects and Associates to develop a five-year facilities plan for Wilson School to guide future planning, facility use, and long-term development.

Motion: Lyn Romstad Second: Kendra Benson Ayes: 4Noes: 0

7.0 Next Board Meeting: Thursday, May 14, 2026, 4:30 p.m.

Topics for that meeting:

- LCAP Update
- Board Policy Updates
- Budget Updates
- Determine the 2 Board Meeting Dates for June

8.0 Adjournment: _____ (Followed by signing of papers of routine nature.)

Agenda posted: April 9, 2026

Approved by _____
Andrea Christensen, Board Clerk