

Council Meeting Minutes  
Friday, March 20, 2026

Meeting held via Zoom

**Public Session**

- Helen Anderson chaired and opened the meeting at 10:30am
- Welcome and Housekeeping provided by Helen Anderson
- Council Roll Call provided by Helen Anderson
  - **Attendees:** Helen Anderson, AJe English, Dorrell Green, Deirdra Joyner, Lisa Lawson, Alex Najemy, Deirdra Joyner, Nia Elliot and Celita Cherry.
  - **Public Comment:**
    - Non

- **Discussion on Financial Matters**

The Wilmington Learning Collaborative held a special meeting on March 20th to discuss a financial matter concerning a spending plan proposed by the Christina School District. The council was presented with a spending plan totaling approximately \$1.4 million, which outlined various expenditures intended to utilize funds currently in the district's account. Key items in the proposal included:

- Funding for summer programming, which encompassed child nutrition, transportation, and enrichment activities.
- Beautification projects for Pulaski School.
- Incentives for students and families to address chronic absenteeism.
- Funding for a family dinner series called Wilmington Wednesdays.
- Professional development opportunities for school leaders and staff, including programs at the Harvard Graduate School of Education and continued training from the Ron Clark Academy.
- Support for social and emotional learning (SEL) curriculum.
- Staff appreciation funds, maintaining the previous year's contribution of \$2,500 per school.

The discussion included clarifications regarding previous summer funding requests and the need to ensure that the allocations align with the fiscal outlook for the Wilmington Learning Collaborative. The motion to approve the spending plan was made, seconded, and unanimously passed.

The meeting concluded with a commitment to process the funding requests and follow up on the broader financial implications for all districts involved.

**Adjournment**

Motion by Helen to adjourn, seconded by AJe English. Unanimous. The meeting adjourned at 10:45am.