



Girls Global Academy

October Board Meeting

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Amended on November 4, 2025 at 9:12 AM EST

Date and Time

Tuesday November 4, 2025 at 6:00 PM EST

Location

In person

Agenda

	Purpose	Presenter	Time
I. Opening Items			6:00 PM
A. Enjoy nourishment!		Andria Wisler	5 m
B. Record Attendance		Lauren Johannesson-McCoy	2 m
C. Call the Meeting to Order		Andria Wisler	2 m
D. Approve Minutes	Approve Minutes	Lauren Johannesson-McCoy	2 m

Approve minutes for GGA Board Meeting Zoom on September 30, 2025

	Purpose	Presenter	Time
II. Mission Moment			6:11 PM
A. GGA Pinning Ceremony	FYI	Tasliym Lester	5 m
III. Acting Executive Director Report			6:16 PM
A. Acting Executive Director Report	Discuss	Tasliym Lester	25 m
https://docs.google.com/document/d/1AFi8EG7hj9v11P67eKYWSmRtsZP4WVsnBnAFz-YxhwI/edit?usp=sharing			
B. Organizational Chart / Staff + Faculty List with positions at GGA	FYI	Tasliym Lester	5 m
GGA Organizational Chart (F25)			
GGA Staff & Faculty List with positions (F25)			
IV. Community Engagement			6:46 PM
A. Updates	FYI	Maria Miller	5 m
• Total enrollment on count day! • Hiring is complete to maintain appropriate teacher-student ratio			
V. Finance & Facilities Committee			6:51 PM
A. Review of the financial reports as of September 30, 2025	FYI	Ricardo Chapa	10 m
Highlights			
End of Year Days of Cash: 98 (Budget 107)			
End of Year Cash Balance: \$1.84M (Budget: \$1.69M)			
DSCR: 5.06 (Budget 2.91)			
Revenue - \$1.22M increase from budget			
• Per-Pupil Revenue - \$1.1M increase ◦ 29 additional GenEd Students - \$645k ◦ 8 additional SpEd Students - \$261k ◦ 4 additional English Language Learners - \$45k ◦ 22 additional At-Risk Students - \$113k • Local Revenue - \$64k increase			

- OSSE Teacher funding final allocation confirmed at \$118,544
 - We will receive the funds in November
- Federal Revenue - \$102k increase
 - ESEA - \$86k in Title funds
 - IDEA - \$19k decrease due to FY25 SpEd population (discussed last month)
 - Competitive - \$21k increase due to current allocations - may see more
 - NSLP - \$30k increase based on student demand (offset by food service fees)
 - E-Rate - \$16k decreased based on current estimates
- Private Grants & Donations - No adjustment
- Earned Fees - \$6k decrease
 - Uniform sales - \$4k increase (may see more)
 - Short-term investments - \$10k decrease based on current rate
 - Ricardo and Elizabeth had a meeting with City First the morning of 10/27 to try and improve our monthly interest
- Renal Income - No adjustment
 - We will need to re-evaluate when Karen returns if we still think \$20k in revenue for the year aligns with current demand

Expenses - \$1.05M increase from budget

- All Staff Related Expenses - \$600k increase
 - 7 FTEs added to account for student increase \$384k
 - Staff stipends added back - \$48k
 - Benefits and taxes adjusted for staff - \$83k
 - Substitutes added for the year - \$50k
 - Additional hiring services to account for staff increase - \$25k placeholder
- Occupancy Expenses - \$34k increase
 - Utilities - \$9k cushion added to account for fluctuation in Calvary & invoices
 - Contracted Building Services - \$25k added to bring in an additional cleaning staff member we had cut back in 170 budget
- Direct Student Expenses - \$192k increase
 - Adjustments made to account for 29 student increase
 - Larger noteworthy adjustments
 - Uniforms - \$36k increase (discussed last month)
 - Contracted SpEd - \$20k increase for SpEd student needs
 - Food Service - \$51k increase to account for current demand
 - Will reassess mid-year as we start seeing larger trends
 - Student Sports Program - \$57k increase to provide transportation and referees

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• Office & Business Expenses - \$127k increase ◦ Expenses increasing incrementally based on additional staff/students ◦ Fundraising fees - \$30k increase to assume contract through the full year ◦ Professional fees - \$20k increase for Sped and student data consulting • Contingency - \$100k increase ◦ We want to maintain conservative projections			

Cash Flow Adjustments - \$14k decrease in cash from budget

- Computers - \$14k to account for student enrollment

The budget will be updated in October to reflect enrollment on Count Day.

B.	Proposal to invest surplus cash at CityFirst Bank Money market account or CD	Vote	Ricardo Chapa	5 m
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C.	Signatures on Bank Accounts at City First Include Chair of the Board and Treasurer	Discuss	Ricardo Chapa	5 m
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Tasliym does not have signature authority on the bank account, but does have access to approve invoice payments in BillPay and to run Payroll.

D.	Status of Credit Enhancement Warranty	Discuss	Ricardo Chapa	5 m
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E.	Update on PEX system for management of credit cards Implementation is going smoothly	FYI	Tasliym Lester	5 m
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VI. ASPIRE Dashboard

7:21 PM

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1bbJqwImcnzYu8xtpQQjqc1LjFwSbZTc6kljAatkUQLM/edit?usp=sharing>

A.	School Environment • Chronic absenteeism • Re-enrollment	Discuss	Shamira O'Neal	5 m
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B.	School Achievement • College and career acceptance	Discuss	Shamira O'Neal	5 m
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• 9th grade on track			
C. School Progress	Discuss	Shamira O'Neal	5 m
• MAP growth			
VII. Follow-up on items discussed last meeting			7:36 PM
A. Parent communication about Karen's leave	Discuss	Andria Wisler	5 m
B. School leadership support while Karen's on leave	Discuss	Andria Wisler	5 m
• Does anything need to be updated? • Is there a point-person at school for potential partners? There has been some outreach but not follow-up from GGA to confirm with the potential partners.			
VIII. Consent Agenda			7:46 PM
Each Committee with provide a brief overview of their work for the month.			
A. Academic Excellence Committee	FYI	Andria Wisler	1 m
B. Community Engagement Committee	FYI	Maria Miller	1 m
C. Finance & Facilities Committee	FYI	Ricardo Chapa	1 m
D. Governance Committee	FYI	Andria Wisler	1 m
• Parent members • Skillsets we need in new board members?			
E. Risk & Audit	FYI	Brian Holden	1 m
IX. Closing Items			7:51 PM
A. Announcements	FYI	Andria Wisler	5 m
• Next Meetings • Events at GGA			

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	• Supporting GGA amid food insecurity in Washington, DC		
B. Adjourn Meeting			
	Vote		