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Girls Global Academy

Minutes

GGA Board Meeting Zoom

Date and Time

Tuesday September 30, 2025 at 6:30 PM

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Trustees Present

Andria Wisler (remote), Anita Johnson (remote), Brian Holden (remote), Karen Dresden (remote), Lauren Johannesson-McCoy (remote), Maria Miller (remote), Nia Spencer (remote), Ricardo Chapa (remote)

Trustees Absent

Ivory Perkins, Wilnie Petrash

Trustees who left before the meeting adjourned

Brian Holden, Nia Spencer

I. Opening Items

A.

Call the Meeting to Order

Andria Wisler called a meeting of the board of trustees of Girls Global Academy to order on Tuesday Sep 30, 2025 at 6:33 PM.

B. Record Attendance

C. Mission Moment

Volleyball joy!

D. Approve Minutes

Maria Miller made a motion to approve the minutes from GGA In-Person Retreat on 05-03-25.

Ricardo Chapa seconded the motion.

Correct the spelling of Andria's name.

The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

E. Approve Minutes

Maria Miller made a motion to approve the minutes from GGA Board Meeting (Public) on 05-03-25.

Karen Dresden seconded the motion.

Correct the writing out of PCSBoard at the bottom of page 2.

The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

F. Approve Minutes

Anita Johnson made a motion to approve the minutes from GGA Zoom Board Meeting on 05-28-25.

Maria Miller seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

G. Approve Minutes

Anita Johnson made a motion to approve the minutes from GGA Zoom Board Meeting on 06-25-25.

Nia Spencer seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

II. Board Chair Remarks

A. Board Goals for the AY25-26

Board Goals/Norms for this year

Aspirations – first 3 from Andria

1. Always to keep GGA and the students center to commitments and conversations and all we do in this space
2. Jesuit presupposition: give everyone the benefit of the doubt
3. Presence – mind and body
4. Keep the main thing the main thing (Nia)
5. Take our own temperature: how we're performing against our expectations/aspirations (Nia)
6. Grows and glows (Nia)
7. Bring your whole self (Maria)
8. Get to know the team – board, staff, teachers, students, parents (Ricardo)

We'll revisit during our year together

B. What Andria worked on this summer

- Executive Director position description is incomplete and needs our attention
- Board on track historical files
 - Organize from the beginning of the school
 - Telling the history of the school
- Read up (all the PDFs) about ASPIRE
 - New framework
- Learn about DC CAPE 2.0
- Last week attended DCPCS Board for leaders and board chairs
 - Get clarity on DC budget impacting education
- Bellweather governance training
 - Pop quiz: this is what everyone should know about your school
 - The school's mission

C. Committee Expectations

Will be provided by Andria. More to come.

III. Executive Director Report

A. ED Report

- See attachment for details
- 200 enrolled at the moment
 - We did a budget for 170 students
 - Will update budget to reflect enrollment
 - Count date is Monday, October 6th
 - will determine Per-Pupil Allotment revenue amount
- ASPIRE
 - School Progress
 - School Achievement

- School Environment
- School-Specific Performance
- 18 different categories (green shows improvement)
- <https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1bbJqwlmcnzYu8xtpQQjqc1LjFwSbZTc6kljAatkUQLM/edit?usp=sharing>
- Conditions as prescribed by the PCSB
 - Improvement has happened
- ASPIRE Key Metrics Now
 - Chronic Absenteeism
 - 9th Grade on Track
 - Re-enrollment
 - College and Career Acceptance
 - MAP Growth
 - How can the board support on tracking this?
- Lessons learned from enrollment process to get to 200 students
 - Solid plan
 - Positive phone calls home to current students
 - Additional support to Julie
 - Started outreach earlier
 - Students sharing information with prospective students
- Make Dashboard an agenda item for each Board meeting

IV. Community Engagement

A. Enrollment Update

200 students enrolled

B. GGA Requests for Board Support

We've all received calendar of GGA events.

Please commit to at least 2 events during the course of the year.

Just the highlighted events.

[Board Events~Global Gathering_Recruitment & Retention SY25-26 - Google Sheets](#)

C. Target for Board giving

The year before last we had 15% board giving.

Last year we got to 86%.

Our GOAL is 100%. Please commit to giving whatever you can. It doesn't have to be high level.

Campaign is coming up - October 2025 with official launch in December with Giving Tuesday.

Board giving is calculated by school year, not calendar year.

V. Finance and Facilities

A. Summary of Supplemental Reports for July and August

Key Performance Indicators - forecast for end of year as of August accounting closing.
Key issues here

- With new enrollment, budget will need to be updated. Current budget planned with 170 students.
- Payment of OSSE loan \$150,000. Will be revisited.
- City Bank - spoke about investing excess cash

B. Delegating approval for contracts over \$25k

Ricardo Chapa made a motion to give FFC approval to review and approve contract with HR partner.

Anita Johnson seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call

Lauren Johannesson-McCoy	Aye
Brian Holden	Aye
Wilnie Petrash	Absent
Nia Spencer	Aye
Andria Wisler	Aye
Maria Miller	Aye
Ivory Perkins	Absent
Karen Dresden	Aye
Anita Johnson	Aye
Ricardo Chapa	Aye

C. Certificate of Occupancy with Current Enrollment Numbers

Need to revisit with landlord and keep this at top-of-mind throughout this year.

D. "Spending Cards" for GGA Staff

Purchases that are not paid via invoice or recurring expense.

Want to get approved up to a certain number of declining balance cards (PEX - pre-paid debit card that's reloadable; each card with different limits). Approval process would not change, and no policies need to be updated. The impact is not everyone needs to come to Karen to get the 1 card that Karen holds.

Brian Holden left at 8:14 PM.

Lauren Johannesson-McCoy made a motion to Amending existing credit card policy to allow Executive Director issue up to 10 pre-paid spending cards with each card having a

different spending limit, not to exceed \$2,500. Each card holder will receive the current school payment card policy (currently called credit card policy), and the leadership team will amend policies as needed.

Maria Miller seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call

Nia Spencer	Aye
Maria Miller	Aye
Lauren Johannesson-McCoy	Aye
Ricardo Chapa	Aye
Wilnie Petrash	Absent
Ivory Perkins	Absent
Andria Wisler	Aye
Karen Dresden	Aye
Brian Holden	Absent
Anita Johnson	Aye

VI. Governance

A. Board Member Transitions and Recruitment

Names for potential parent board members next week.

Ivory and Wilnie have stepped down in addition to Jessica.

Need to have an odd number of board members.

Nia Spencer left at 8:39 PM.

VII. Closing Items

A. Adjourn Meeting

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 8:40 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Andria Wisler

VIII. Executive Session

A. HR Planning and Discussion

Andria Wisler made a motion to enter executive session.

Lauren Johannesson-McCoy seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Included in Executive Session minutes

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