

Minutes of Board of Directors Meeting

EDUPRIZE SCHOOLS
580 W Melody Ave
Gilbert, AZ 85233

September 11, 2025

Members in attendance:

Seth Klempner (virtual-joined at 1:19)
Carrie Larson
Todd Noel (virtual-left at 2:18)
Monika Calamita (virtual)

Non-Members present:

Michael Gordon-Smith
Robin Yeargain
Dixie Marshall
Aimee Arnold
Nicole Davis
Mel Medina
Cyndie Bracamonte
Jason Wojciechowski
Brian Pollard
Dusty Schureman

The meeting was held per posted agenda on our webpage and as posted in the foyer at 4567 W. Roberts Road, San Tan Valley, AZ and 580 W. Melody Ave, Gilbert, AZ.

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Carrie Larson at 1:14 pm.

2. Approval of Minutes

The minutes from the prior Board of Directors meetings held on 8/7/25 were reviewed. *A motion was made by Todd Noel to approve the minutes as presented, and Monika Calamita seconded the motion. The Board unanimously approved, with Carrie Larson, Todd Noel and Monika Calamita in favor. None opposed.*

3. Consideration of Principals' Reports

- a. R. Yeargain gave a report on the Gilbert Elementary & Secondary schools, including PLCs, parent-teacher conferences, Eagle Expo, Cottage Fairs, assemblies, sports, Learning Lounge, and the value of having 3 RNs on campus.
- b. B. Solberg submitted a written report on Queen Creek K-8, including upcoming events, instruction, enrollment, facilities, sports and attendance.

4. Consideration of Superintendent's Report

Michael Gordon-Smith reported on

- a. The transition to non-profit status, improvements in enrollment, retention efforts and EMO prospects, including vouchers.
- b. Piloting a 4-8 high achieving track at the Gilbert campus this January, based on a Cohort model. Rebranding the TOPS program as FLEX and marketing the benefits of the program to families.

5. Review of Financial Reports and Approval of Expenditures and Disbursements

A motion was made by Carrie Larson to approve the financial reports, and the expenditures and disbursements as presented to the board, and Monika Calamita seconded the motion. The Board unanimously approved, with Seth Klempner, Carrie Larson, Todd Noel and Monika Calamita in favor. None opposed.

6. Call to Public

- a. Brian Pollard presented a request to be allowed to host an FCA club on campus.
- b. Mel Medina and Dusty Schureman presented a proposal for a grad trip for the senior class, through Project Exploration, to take place after graduation.

7. As-Needed Executive Session

A motion was made by Todd Noel to move into executive session, and Carrie Larson seconded the motion. The Board unanimously approved, with Seth Klempner, Carrie Larson, Todd Noel and Monika Calamita in favor. None opposed. The meeting was moved into executive session at 1:31pm.

A motion was made by Carrie Larson to move out of executive session, and Monika Calamita seconded the motion. The Board unanimously approved, with Seth Klempner, Carrie Larson, and Monika Calamita in favor. None opposed. The meeting was moved out of executive session at 2:26pm.

A motion was made by Carrie Larson to adjourn the meeting, and Monika Calamita seconded the motion. The Board unanimously approved, with Seth Klempner, Carrie Larson and Monika Calamita in favor. None opposed. The meeting was adjourned at 2:27 pm by Carrie Larson.