

Minutes of Board of Directors Meeting

EDUPRIZE Schools
1383 E Baseline Rd
Gilbert, AZ 85233



January 8, 2026

Members in Attendance:

Seth Klempner (virtual)
Carrie Larson
Monika Calamita (virtual)

Members Absent:

Todd Noel

Non-Members in Attendance:

Michael Gordon-Smith
Robin Yeargain
Dixie Marshall
Bryce Solberg
Heather Vehon
Maria Rosetti
Jason Wojciechowski
Christine Hansen
Shannon Cunningham

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 1:02 pm.

2. Approval of Minutes

The minutes from the prior Board of Directors meetings held on 12/18/25 were reviewed. *A motion was made by Monika Calamita to approve the minutes as presented, and Carrie Larson seconded the motion. The Board approved, with Seth Klempner, Carrie Larson, and Monika Calamita in favor. None opposed.*

3. Proposed Date Change for February Meeting

A motion was made by Carrie Larson to change the date of the February board meeting to February 19, 2026 at 2:00 pm, and Seth Klempner seconded the motion. The Board approved, with Seth Klempner, Carrie Larson, and Monika Calamita in favor. None opposed.

4. Consideration of Principals' Reports

- a. B. Solberg did not have any items to report.
- b. H. Vehon gave a report on current events at Gilbert Elementary, including teacher inservice training, Insight visits, iReady testing & proficiency, the upcoming Valentine's Dance, Project Exploration and enrollment.
- c. R. Yeargain gave a report on current events at Gilbert 7-12, including the end-of-quarter assembly, teacher inservice training, sports, EL, staff changes, and enrollment.

5. Consideration of Superintendent's Report

Michael Gordon-Smith reported on the following items:

Enrollment: There is significantly less attrition this school year, and significantly more growth in EOI.

Seth Klempner muted and recused himself for the remainder of the Superintendent's Report.

a. Review of Intellectual Property

MGS will prepare a packet for the Board with a high-level overview of AEG vs EDUPRIZE IP. Discussion has been tabled until next month.

b. Budget and Expenses Report

MGS is working on creating a Dashboard for the Board which will include enrollment, expenses and academics.

c. 5-Year Transition Narrative

Discussion has been tabled until next month.

d. Discussion of Achieve Education Group as EMO

MGS gave a brief overview of how AEG will function as an EMO. Discussion has been tabled until next month.

6. Proposed Salary and Hourly Increases for the 2026/2027 School Year

MGS presented the proposed salary increase for teachers for the 26/27 school year and a discussion was held.

A motion was made by Carrie Larson to increase teacher base salaries by 2% for the 2026/2027 school year, and Seth Klempner seconded the motion. The Board approved, with Seth Klempner, Carrie Larson, and Monika Calamita in favor. None opposed.

7. 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 approved, with Seth Klempner, Carrie Larson, and Monika Calamita in favor. None opposed.

8. Call to Public

None

A motion was made by Carrie Larson to adjourn the meeting, and Monika Calamita seconded the motion. The Board approved, with Seth Klempner, Carrie Larson, and Monika Calamita in favor. None opposed. The meeting was adjourned at 2:26 pm by Carrie Larson.