

Minutes of Board of Directors Meeting

EDUPRIZE Schools
1383 E Baseline Rd
Gilbert, AZ 85233



March 19, 2026

Members in Attendance:

Seth Klempner
Carrie Larson
Todd Noel
Samantha Watters

Members Absent:

Monika Calamita

Non-Members in Attendance:

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

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 2:03 pm.

Note: Monika Calamita resigned from the Board of Directors effective February 24, 2026

2. Approval of Minutes

The minutes from the prior Board of Directors meetings held on 2/19/26 were reviewed. *A motion was made by Todd Noel to approve the minutes as presented, and Carrie Larson seconded the motion. The Board approved, with Seth Klempner, Carrie Larson and Todd Noel in favor. None opposed.*

3. Vote on Proposed Board Member

Michael Gordon-Smith introduced Samatha (Sam) Watters and spoke to the benefits of her joining as a board member.

Sam Watters left the meeting at 2:06 pm. A brief discussion was held.

A motion was made by Seth Klempner to add Samantha Watters as a board member, and Todd Noel seconded the motion. The Board approved, with Seth Klempner, Carrie Larson and Todd Noel in favor. None opposed.

Sam Watters rejoined the meeting at 2:09 pm and was welcomed as the newest board member.

4. 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 Seth Klempner

seconded the motion. The Board approved, with Seth Klempner, Carrie Larson and Todd Noel in favor. None opposed.

5. Consideration of Principals' Reports

- a. H. Vehon gave a report on current events at Gilbert Elementary, including upcoming staff inservice, state testing, hiring, Odyssey of the Mind, Boosterthon, and enrollment.
- b. R. Yeargain gave a report on current events at Gilbert 7-12, including enrollment, inservice, testing, Esports championship, sports, and hiring.

6. Consideration of Academic Report

C. Hansen reported on preparing for state testing, testing data, the CKLA pilot, interventions and tutoring.

7. Consideration of Superintendent's Report

- a. Michael Gordon-Smith reported on projected enrollment and lead generation.
- b. Revised proforma will be distributed to the Board next week.

8. Executive Session regarding Labor Negotiations

Tabled

9. Consideration of Hourly Contract Increases

MGS presented the proposed increase for current hourly contracts.

A motion was made by Carrie Larson to approve the proposed hourly rate increase of 50 cents per hour for the 2026-2027 school year, and Todd Noel seconded the motion. The Board unanimously approved, with Seth Klempner, Carrie Larson and Todd Noel in favor. None opposed.

10. Consideration of Achieve Education Group Contract

Tabled

11. Call to Public

None

A motion was made by Carrie Larson to adjourn the meeting, and Todd Noel seconded the motion. The Board unanimously approved, with Seth Klempner, Carrie Larson, and Todd Noel in favor. None opposed. The meeting was adjourned at 2:30 pm by Carrie Larson.