

Minutes of Board of Directors Meeting



EDUPRIZE Schools
1383 E Baseline Rd, Gilbert, AZ 85233
May 21, 2026

Members Present:

Seth Klempner
Carrie Larson
Todd Noel
Samantha Watters
Amy Ruck

Administration Present:

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

Members Absent:

None

Members of the public were in attendance

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Seth Klempner at 2:04 pm. A quorum being present, the meeting proceeded.

2. Approval of Minutes

The minutes from the prior Board of Directors meeting held on 4/17/26 were reviewed. *A motion was made by Carrie Larson to approve the minutes as presented, and Todd Noel seconded the motion. The Board approved, with Seth Klempner, Carrie Larson, Todd Noel, Samantha Watters and Amy Ruck in favor. None opposed. None abstaining.*

3. Consideration of Principal Reports

- a. Robin, on behalf of Bryce Solberg, gave a report on current events at Queen Creek K-8, including enrollment, attendance, test results, kindergarten graduation, 8th grade promotion, summer work, compliance, and sports.
- b. Heather Vehon gave a report on current events at Gilbert Elementary, including end-of-year data and activities, kindergarten graduation, and staff celebrations.
- c. Robin Yeargain gave a report on current events at Gilbert 7-12, including enrollment, test results, EL, preK graduation, HS graduation, 8th grade promotion, senior activities, and FLEX.

4. Consideration of Academic Report

Christine Hansen gave a report on academics, including testing data and how it informs future instruction, CKLA pilot data, teacher PD, and curriculum maps.

5. Consideration of Superintendent's Report

Michael Gordon-Smith presented the new dashboard, which includes an executive summary, enrollment, finance, marketing, academics, and the bond run, and spoke to each section.

Action Item: The Board requested the addition of attendance and discipline to the dashboard for future Board meetings.

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

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

7. Approval of EDUPRIZE Mission Statement

The EDUPRIZE mission statement was presented: "In partnership with families, to foster a personalized learning environment where all students are known, valued and thrive."
A motion was made by Samantha Watters to approve the EDUPRIZE mission statement as presented, and Seth Klempner seconded the motion. The Board approved, with Seth Klempner, Carrie Larson, Todd Noel, Samantha Watters and Amy Ruck in favor. None opposed. None abstaining.

8. Election of Officers: President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer

A motion was made by Amy Ruck to approve the proposed slate of officers - Seth Klempner as President and Treasurer, Carrie Larson as Vice President, and Samantha Watters as Secretary of the EDUPRIZE Governing Board - and Todd Noel seconded the motion. The Board approved, with Seth Klempner, Carrie Larson, Todd Noel, Samantha Watters and Amy Ruck in favor. None opposed. None abstaining.

Note: The combined role of President and Treasurer is permitted under the EDUPRIZE governing board bylaws.

9. Call to Public

None

Adjournment

A motion was made by Carrie Larson to adjourn the meeting, and Seth Klempner seconded the motion. The Board approved, with Seth Klempner, Carrie Larson, Todd Noel, Samantha Watters and Amy Ruck in favor. None opposed. None abstained. The meeting was adjourned at 2:51 pm by Seth Klempner.