GVS Minutes



GVS Board Meeting Monday, August 19 · Beginning at 6:00pm Time zone: America/Denver Google Meet joining info Video call link:

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✓ Jaime Strickler, Board Member

☑ Hannah Andreatta, Staff Liaison

✓ Jody Medina, Head of School

Our Vision: Striving for excellence, Gardner Valley School empowers students and staff to be creative, healthy, and engaged individuals who actively contribute to their communities and the world.

Our Mission: At Gardner Valley School, we provide a safe, family atmosphere that cultivates well-rounded learners and leaders. GVS supports the individual educational needs of each child, including educationally diverse learners. We overcome barriers posed by poverty, rural isolation, and socioemotional challenges. Through a caring and dedicated small-school setting we offer real life, hands-on learning with agricultural and environmental opportunities, and honor local traditions.

1. Opening

- 1.1 Call to Order
- The meeting was called to order by President Jackie Williams at 6:07pm
 - 1.2 Roll Call
- ✓ Jackie Williams, President
- ✓ Amanda Salas, Vice President
- ☑ Cheyenne Griego, Secretary
- ✓ Andrea Pacheco, Board Member
- ✓ Aaron Capps, Board Member
- ☑ Elicka Rauber, Board Member
 - 1.3 Our Vision & Mission
- Jaime read our Vision and Andrea read our Mission.
 - 1.4 Approval of Agenda 8/19/2024
- Amanda made a motion to approve the amended agenda. Andrea seconded the motion. Unanimous Approval.
 - 1.5 Public Comment (on Agenda topics)
- No public comment was made.

2. Consent Agenda

- 2.1 Approval of Minutes 7/15/2024
- Andrea made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Aaron seconded the motion. Unanimous Approval.

3. Regular Business

3.1 Officer and committee reports
President's Update and Committee report
Vice President's Update VP report

- Elicka Rauber joined the meeting via Google Meets.
 - Treasurer's Financial report
 - Secretary's Grants and Procurement report
 - 3.2 Head of School report
 - 3.3 Staff Liaison report as needed
- First week went well and the energy in the building is great!

4. Discussion and Action Items

- 4.1 Election of Board Officers
- Andrea made a motion to elect Jackie Williams as President, Amanda Salas as VP, Cheyenne Griego as Secretary, and Aaron Capps as Treasurer. Jaime seconded the motion. Unanimous Approval.
 - 4.2 Board Meeting Calendar
- The Board reviewed the proposed meeting calendar. Andrea made a motion to approve the 2024-2025 Board meeting schedule. Aaron seconded the motion. Unanimous Approval.
 - 4.3 Strategic Plan Revision 1st Reading
- The Board reviewed the proposed revision and suggestions. Updated artwork was suggested to better represent our new Strategic Plan/Vision and Mission and the Board asks the staff to work with students on this project.
 - 4.4 Review Tech Contract
- Andrea made a motion to approve the AshcaTek Contract. Aaron seconded the motion. Unanimous Approval.
 - 4.5 Internet Provider Discussion
- The Board requests to have Mr. Camacho attend the next meeting to answer questions.
 - 4.6 Approve Health and Safety Plan
- Andrea made a motion to approve the Health and Safety Plan. Jaime seconded the motion. Unanimous Approval.
 - 4.7 Driver Pay for Activity Bus
- Jody updated the Board on the feedback she received from the district regarding wages paid. She will inquire about pay for overnight trips. It is recommended that the drivers will be paid minimum wage with no layover pay if they are a coach.
 - 4.8 Fall Festival October 3rd
- The Board will provide walking tacos and agree that this should also be a celebration of the last 5 years.
 4.9 Overnight Trip 6th-8th Grades Camp Jackson Sept. 20th
- The staff feels that these types of trips are a positive influence on the morale and team building of the students and staff to set the tone for the rest of the year. Andrea made a motion to approve the overnight field trip to Camp Jackson on September 20th. Jaime seconded the motion. Unanimous Approval.
 - 4.10 Advertise for Part-time Para
- The board agrees that the position should be advertised.
 - 4.11 Review Upcoming Budget Changes
- Parking options and cost associated were discussed for the activity buses. There will need to be an increase in the budget for driver's pay and transportation.
 - 4.12 Color Run
- Amanda gave an update on the Color Run progress so far and asked the Board to help with upfront costs in the amount of \$1200. Andrea made a motion to approve the \$1200 cost towards the purchase of color run items and give permission for the color run committee to accept donations. Jaime seconded the motion. Unanimous Approval.
 - 4.13 Approval of Activity Bus Drivers Stella Garcia-Sanchez, Rose Williams and Ricardo Gonzales
- Andrea made a motion to approve the activity bus drivers Stella Garcia-Sanchez, Rose Williams and Ricardo Gonzales. Aaron seconded the motion. Unanimous Approval.

5. Executive Session:

Pursuant to C.R.S. 24-6-402(4)(e) Determining positions relative to matters that may be subject to negotiations; developing strategy for negotiations; and instructing negotiators, in order for the board to discuss negotiations for staff positions.

- Andrea made a motion to enter executive session Pursuant to C.R.S. 24-6-402(4)(e) Determining positions relative to matters that may be subject to negotiations; developing strategy for negotiations; and instructing negotiators, in order for the board to discuss negotiations for staff positions. Aaron seconded the motion. Unanimous Approval.
- The board left regular business at 7:30pm and entered executive session at 7:31pm.
- Andrea made a motion to exit the executive session at 7:37pm. Elicka seconded the motion. Unanimous Approval. The executive session was then ended and the Board returned to regular business at 7:38pm.
- After returning to regular business, Andrea made a motion to approve the amendment of days in Denise Johnson's contract as discussed in executive session. Jaime seconded the motion. Unanimous Approval.

6. Public Comment (Open to all topics)

- Anyone who would like to volunteer to help with the color run is welcome to join us that day.
- Amanda recognizes the staff that attended the Huerfano County Fair to support past and present students!

7. Adjournment

- Jaime made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:43pm. Aaron seconded the motion. Unanimous Approval. The meeting was then adjourned at 7:43pm.