



GALS Board of Directors Monthly Meeting
Monday, July 22, 2024 6-8PM at Gary Community Ventures
Minutes

Board Members Present:

Margaret-Ann Burness
Stephanie Sundberg
Angie McPhaul
Kerry Lander
Vivian Morales
Rebecca Leatherman
Michelle Hurt

GALS Staff Present:

Carol Bower, Executive Director (Outgoing - Virtual)
Timeri Tolnay, Executive Director (Incoming)
Austin Doyle, Director of Exceptional Student Services

Board Members Absent:

Shannon Saviers
Pam Horiszny
Allison Romagnoli
Stephanie Monge
Jennifer Holliday (LOA)

- I. Meeting called to order at 6:05PM
- II. Introductions and Welcome of Stephanie Sundberg
- III. Public Comment - none
- IV. Minutes of June 2024 Approved
- V. Financial update
 - a. Abbreviated due to timing of the board meeting, with more expected next meeting.
 - b. Audit expected in August, will review and submit to DPS.
- VI. Executive Director Update
 - a. Reviewed ED Transition Update, including what has been handed off and what is left to do.



- b. Fundraising Update- \$25,000 endowment in partnership with Rose Community Foundation; Reviewed Annual Breakfast Campaign details
- c. Enrollment Update - Projected 311 as of June, 313 in system, actually projecting 303
- d. ED Priorities Update: Priorities from June were to increase enrollment and raise funds. Revised as of July include:
 - 1. Determine Exceptional Student Services Strategy
 - 2. Level-up instructional standards and accountability
 - 3. Solidify project to purpose pathway
 - 4. Increase enrollment by selling Priorities 1-3
 - 5. Raise funds

Presentation and discussion of Exceptional Student Services (ESS) refresh, including meeting Austin, 24-25 Compliance, 24-25 staffing, GALS ESS strengths, discussion of inclusion model, additional model to research, and next steps

VII. Governance Matters

- a. Board meeting calendar has been agreed upon
- b. All board members asked to review and sign 2024-2025 Board Agreements and Conflict of Interest declaration
- c. Michelle presented an overview of bylaw revisions and requested the Board to review them once more before voting at next meeting
- d. Board voted to have Margaret-Ann Burness serve a second term on the Board.
- e. Board voted to have Margaret-Ann Burness serve a second term as the Board Chair.
- f. Board voted to have Angie McPhaul serve as Board Secretary.

VII. Board decided to not have the expected executive session due to time and to include executive session content for the next board meeting.

IX. Voted to adjourn at 8:16PM