

2024-25 GALS Denver Board of Directors April Meeting + Retreat - Meeting Agenda April 25, 2025 | 8:15am-4:05pm MDT

Full Day Retreat is IN-PERSON at GALS - Except for the Formal April Board Meeting

from 12:30-1:30p which will be accessible via Google Meet

Video call link: <https://meet.google.com/yra-zskt-abh>

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Timing	Time Needed	Retreat Activity	Leader
8:15–8:30 AM	15 minutes	Arrive & set items in front office conference room	
8:30–9:00 AM	30 minutes	Morning Movement - Walk & Talk Time	Timeri
9:00–9:10 AM	10 minutes	Agenda Overview & Housekeeping	Margaret-Ann
9:10–9:20 AM	10 minutes	Grounding Exercise	Stephanie
9:20–10:05 AM	45 minutes	Values Activity	Stephanie
10:05–10:15 AM	10 minutes	Brain Break	
10:15–11:15 AM	60 minutes	Board Development <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Longitudinal Questionnaire Board Self Assessment Activity 	Michelle/ Stephanie/ Shannon
11:15-12:00	45 minutes	Classroom Tours	Timeri & Reilly
12:00-12:30 PM	30 minutes	Lunch with the Board (Invite teachers/students sit with board member)	GALS Cafeteria
12:30–1:30 PM	60 minutes	April Board Meeting - Formal Board Meeting <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Call Meeting to Order Welcome Public Comment Approval of March Meeting Minutes Finance Report: March report; 990 ED Update <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Metrics, Happenings, Key Upcoming Events, Fall Academic Planning, Fundraising Report Governance Update <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ED Review Planning Cadence for re-election/recruiting GALS Inc Update 	Margaret-Ann Pam Timeri Sara Michelle Rebecca/MA
1:30–2:00 PM	30 minutes	-EXECUTIVE SESSION- <ul style="list-style-type: none"> School Staffing Discussion/Personnel Matters – C.R.S. § 	Timeri

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2:00–2:10 PM	10 minutes	Brain Break	
2:10–3:20 PM	70 minutes	Funding and Fundraising: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Funding-Related Threats Facing Charter Schools Fundraising Outreach Group Activity 	Timeri & Board
3:20–3:50 PM	30 minutes	PTA and Summer Connections <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Connection Discussion Best Practices 	Allison/Vivian
3:50–4:05 PM	15 minutes	Next Steps <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Strategic Plan Board Communications 	Margaret-Ann
4:05 PM		Adjourn	Margaret-Ann
4:30-5:30		Optional Social Activity - at Room for Friends on Santa Fe	All

Board Meetings	AUG: 8/26/24, SEP: 9/26/24, OCT: 10/28/24 - 7:45–9:45a, NOV: 12/2/24***, DEC: No Meeting, JAN: 1/27/25, FEB: 2/27/25***, MAR: 4/3/25, APR: 4/25/25 - 8:30a–4p, MAY: 5/27/25, JUN: 6/23/25*** All meetings are in-person at GALS Denver from 6-8pm unless otherwise noted. ***Remote meeting Official schedule can be found here .
Board Standards	1-Focus Relentlessly on Student Achievement, 2-Ensure Exceptional School Leadership, 3-Commit to Exemplary Governance, 4-Act Strategically, 5-Raise and Use Resources Wisely, 6-Maintain Legal and Regulatory Compliance, 7-Advocate for High Quality Schools Center in: People, Culture, Equity
Board Priorities FY24	1-Maintain balance (Focus on Polarities) of financial solvency and program success, 2-Finalize GALS 3.0 three year plan, 3- Support executive transition
Board Members	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Margaret-Ann Burness (Board Chair), Shannon Saviors (Vice Chair), Pam Horiszny (Treasurer), Angie McPhaul (Secretary), Michelle Hurt, Kerry Lander, Rebecca Leatherman, Vivian Morales (MS Rep), Emily Ragan (HS rep), Allison Romagnoli, Stephanie Sundberg, Sara Taylor Emeritus - Jennifer Evans

*As required by the Sunshine Act, our board meetings are open to the public.

**Please direct all questions to Timeri Tolnay at timeri.tolnay@galsdenver.org.

*** Remote meeting. Zoom link to be published with each agenda.