



## Girls Athletic Leadership School Denver

### May 2026 Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Thursday, May 14, 2026

6:00 – 8:00 p.m. MDT

Virtual via Google Meets

#### I. Call to Order

Vice Chair Morales called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m.

#### II. Roll Call

Board Members Present: Shannon Saviers, Vivian Morales, Shellie Chambers, Kerry Lander, Allison Romagnoli, Michael McManus

Board Members Absent: Pam Horiszny, Margaret-Ann Burness, Angie McPhaul, Hillary Bisknar, Jessica Churchill, Jennifer Evans - Emeritus

Staff Present: Timeri Tolnay (Executive Director)

Others Present: Joanna Jasmin, Financial Consultant  
Mary Clark, Potential Board Member

#### III. Public Comment

The board opened the floor for public comment providing three minutes per comment. No public comment was presented.

#### IV. Approval of March Board Meeting Minutes

Approval of March minutes was pushed to the June meeting because there was not a quorum at this meeting.

## V. Committee Reports

### A. Finance and Audit Committee

Executive Director Tolnay and Joanna Jasmin provided a finance update. The projected deficit is less than was originally approved by the board. GALS is in a better financial situation in terms of projections for next year.

### B. Governance Committee

Executive Director Tolnay introduced Mary Clark, a potential board member. She shared her reasons for wanting to join the board. We will vote on her membership in June.

Allison Romagnoli shared Board Survey Results. Overall, results showed that members see the board as healthy and engaged. Members also want opportunities to contribute in more specific ways.

Allison also discussed the need to recruit additional board members. A parent representative slot is open. The board is also looking for members with fundraising, legal, and marketing experience.

## VI. ED Report/School Updates

Executive Director Tolnay updated the board on the following matters:

### Staffing Updates

- An assistant principal has accepted a position with DSST schools.
- GALS has offered a position to a special education teacher. He has accepted, pending his recertification.

### Proposed 2026-2027 Board Calendar

Upcoming Events at GALS with opportunities for board members to attend:

- Thursday, May 21 - Welcome Families Event - GALS Cafeteria 5:30-6:30 pm
- Thursday, May 28 - 8th Grade Continuation - GALS Gym 5:30-7:00 pm
- Friday, October 2 - Final Mile Fall ExtravaGALSa - GALS Field 8:45-11:00 am



### Updated GALS Pledge

- Staff and leadership have approved the changes to the GALS pledge.

### Fundraising

- GALS has raised over \$300,000 this year. That represents 22% growth over last year.
- ED Tolnay shared the 2026-2027 Fundraising Plan. The board reviewed and discussed the plan and agreed to form a fundraising committee for next year.

### Enrollment Updates

- 237 students have enrolled at GALS as of 5/4/26

### Annual Goals Updates

- 8 goals have been met, 9 are on track to be met, and 2 will not be met this year.

## VII. Adjourn

- Motion to adjourn: Vice Chair Morales
- Second to adjourn: Kerry Lander
- Vote: Unanimous

Motion adopted.

Chair Saviers adjourned the meeting at 7:30 p.m.

<b>Board Meetings</b>	<b>AUG:</b> 8/7/25, <b>SEP:</b> 9/11/25, <b>OCT:</b> 10/7/25 - 8:30-10:30am, <b>NOV:</b> 11/13/25, <b>DEC:</b> 12/9/25, <b>JAN:</b> 1/22/26, <b>FEB:</b> 2/10/26, <b>MAR:</b> 3/12/26, <b>APR:</b> 4/17/26 - 8:30a-4p, <b>MAY:</b> 5/14/26, <b>JUN:</b> 6/11/26  Official schedule can be found <a href="#">here</a> .
<b>Board Standards</b>	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



<b>Board Priorities FY25-26</b>	
<b>Board Members</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Shannon Saviors (Board Chair), Vivian Morales ( Acting Vice Chair), Pam Horiszny (Treasurer), Margaret-Ann Burness (Preceding Board Chair), Kerry Lander, Allison Romagnoli, Hillary Bisknar, Angie McPhaul, Jessica Churchill</li><li>• Emeritus - Jennifer Evans</li><li>• Shellie Chambers - MS Parent Rep and Acting Secretary</li><li>• Michael McManus -MS Parent Rep</li><li>• For more details: visit: <a href="https://galsdenver.org/about/board-of-directors/">https://galsdenver.org/about/board-of-directors/</a></li></ul>