



Girls Athletic Leadership School

August 2026 Year Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Thursday, August 13, 2026

6:00 – 8:00 p.m. MDT

MEETING LOCATION | Virtual via Google Meets

I. Call to Order

Chair Saviers called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

II. Roll Call

Board Members Present: Shannon Saviers, Vivian Morales, Shellie Chambers, Kerry Lander, Margaret-Ann Burness, Angie McPhaul, Allison Romagnoli, Jessica Churchill, Michael McManus

Board Members Absent: Vivian Morales, Hillary Bisknar, Mary Clark, Jennifer Evans

Staff Present: Timeri Tolnay (Executive Director)

Others Present: Joanna Jasmin, Financial Consultant

III. Public Comment

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

IV. Approval of June Board Meeting Minutes

- Motion to approve: Angie McPhaul
- Motion to second Jessica Churchill
- Vote: Unanimous

Motion adopted.

V. Committee Reports

A. Committee Updates

Discussion: Executive Director Tolnay provided an update on new/revived committees:

- Fundraising
- Sustainability
- Enrollment
- Leadership at GALS

B. Finance Committee

Discussion: Executive Director Tolnay shared the financial dashboard. GALS closed the books on FY26 with a deficit of \$270,000 instead of the \$343,000 that was expected.

C. Governance Committee

Discussion: Board members were reminded to upload signed copies of the Annual Director Agreement and Conflict of Interest Statement.

D. Fundraising Committee

Discussion: Meetings have been scheduled and calendared for the year.

E. SAC/PTO

Discussion: Meetings will be held four times throughout the year in conjunction with PTO meetings.

F. Sustainability Committee

Discussion: The goal of this committee is to identify alternative ways to meet our mission and vision, requiring fewer resources in the face of continuing funding challenges. The committee will meet once a month.

G. Enrollment Task Force

Discussion: Enrollment Task Force will help identify high impact marketing & enrollment activities we can add to our efforts, and increase Andrea's capacity

to execute these activities, attend community events, and grow our recruitment results.

H. Leadership for Girls

Discussion: This is a new committee that will focus on increasing leadership opportunities for GALS students and align dollars spent with the school priorities and mission.

VI. Executive Director Report

A. Enrollment Update

Discussion: Executive Director provided an enrollment update. As of August 11, 208 students have confirmed enrollment.

B. School Updates

- A Back to School event was held for families on August 8, 2026 at City Park.
- GALS is launching a competitive debate team. Mr. Griggs and Mr. Rofrano will be the leaders.
- GALS has provided families with camp opportunities during fall break. Very few families have signed up so far.
- GALS exceeded DPS CMAS scores in Math, ELA, and Writing.
- Insight Assessment scores were shared. Students scoring above average on this assessment increased from fall to winter 2026.
- Executive Director Tolnay shared updated ED 26-27 Annual Performance Plan Goals.

VII. Adjourn

- Motion to adjourn: Shellie Chambers
- Second to adjourn: Margaret-Ann Burness
- Vote: Unanimous

Motion adopted.

Chair Saviers adjourned the meeting at 7:24 p.m.

Board Meetings	AUG: 8/13/26, SEP: 9/10/26, OCT: 10/1/26 - 8:30-10:30am, NOV: 11/12/26, DEC: 12/10/26, JAN: 1/21/27, FEB: 2/16/27, MAR: 3/25/27, APR: 4/16/27 - 8:30a–4p, MAY: 5/13/27, JUN: 6/10/27 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 FY25-26	
Board Members	- Shannon Saviors (Board Chair), Vivian Morales (Vice Chair), Kerry Lander (Treasurer), Shellie Chambers (Secretary), Margaret-Ann Burness (Preceding Board Chair), Allison Romagnoli, Hillary Bisknar, Angie McPhaul, Jessica Churchill, Mary Clark - Emeritus - Jennifer Evans - Michael McManus - MS Parent Rep - For more details: visit: https://galsdenver.org/about/board-of-directors/