

MEETING MINUTES

GCOA Mission: GCOA is committed to providing an active student-centered environment through outdoor expeditionary learning, collaborative teachers, and family and community engagement that will develop inquisitive explorers, cultivate creative thinkers and empower resilient learners.

Pursuant to Arizona Revised Statutes ("A.R.S.") § 38-431.02, notice is hereby given to the members of the Board of Directors of Glen Canyon Outdoor Academy and to the general public that the board will hold a meeting, open to the public as specified below. The Board of Directors reserves the right to change the order of items on the agenda, with the exception of public hearings set for a specified time.

Pursuant to A.R.S. §§38-431.03.A.1-A.7, the Board of Directors may go into Executive Session, which will not be open to the public, concerning any item on the agenda for discussion, consideration or consultations: (1) of employment issues related to a public officer, appointee or employee; (2) of records exempt by law from public inspection, including the receipt and discussion of information or testimony that is specifically required to be maintained as confidential by state or federal law; (3) for legal advice with attorneys; (4) with attorneys regarding contract negotiations, pending or contemplated litigation or settlement discussions; (5) regarding negotiations with employee organizations; (6) regarding international, interstate or tribal negotiations; or (7) regarding negotiations for the purchase, sale or lease of real property.

Date/Time: February 5th, 2024, 5:00 PM MST

Agenda Available: GCOA Elementary School at 835 Newburn Road and at www.gcoacademy.org

Physical Meeting to be held at 835 Newburn Road in General Purpose Room

Virtual Meeting Access: Meeting ID: 954 1721 1816 Passcode: 203580

**ALL ITEMS ON THE AGENDA ARE OPEN FOR DISCUSSION
AND POSSIBLE ACTION**

MEETING AGENDA

I. Opening of Meeting

- A. Call to Order at 5:05pm
- B. Roll Call - Determine Quorum/ Present
 - Gwen Lasslo
 - Rochelle Russell
 - Nancy Walker
 - Erik Stanfield
 - Rachell French

Others in Attendance:

- Susan Pilkington
- Raini Goatson
- Nikki Jaborski

C. Approval of Agenda

Erik motions to approve tonight's agenda. Rochelle seconds the motion. All in favor.

II. Approval of the Minutes

Nancy motions to approve last month's meeting minutes. Erik seconds the motion. All in favor

III. Announcements and Comments

- A. Statements Concerning Call to the Public
- B. Call to the Public

IV. Reports:

A. School Leadership Updates

1. Monthly Updates (Finances/Facilities/Enrollment/Staffing/Academic)

a. Raini

- i. Teacher Recruiting has started
 - 1. Teacher Fairs
 - 2. University connections
- ii. Teacher Interviews have started
- iii. Coming to the end of our 4th Expedition
- iv. Open House is on February 13th
- v. Preparing for State Testing
- vi. GCOA Minibuses- classes are beginning to utilize the buses more.
- vii. Intents to Return have been sent out to our current teachers.
- viii. GCOA has been asked to host AZ school leaders in May.

b. Susan

- i. Open Enrollment started this week
- ii. Current Financials shared

B. School Board Member Reports

Erik- Reaching out to the deputy chief of Grand Canyon research and monitoring programs and can GCOA accept AZ tax credits from 5 years ago.

V. Business:

1. Presentation and discussion of current curriculum progress, revisions, and future tasks- Justine Carryer

- a. Gwen motions to discuss current curriculum progress, revisions, and future tasks. Nancy seconds the motion. All in favor.
- b. Presentation shared with the board
- c. Deliverable Curriculum
 - i. Providing Expedition Notebooks
 - ii. Flexible time to work with Leadership
 - iii. Working with teachers one on one, weekly

- d. Future Enhancements: Building a more robust lab teacher guide, providing math support for everyone, and tying specific artifacts to learning goals.
 - e. No action taken
2. Discussion, consideration, and possible action to approve the following new hires- Nikki Jaborski
- a. Gwen motions to discuss and take possible action to approve the following new hires. Erik seconds the motion. All in favor.
 - b. Nancy motions to approve the following new hires. Gwen seconds the motion. All in favor.

Name	Position	Date of Hire
Lenae Tsinnie	SPED Paraprofessional	January 13, 2025

3. Discussion, consideration, and possible action to approve the following termination- Nikki Jaborski
- a. Erik motions to discuss and take possible action to approve the following termination. Nancy seconds the motion. All in favor.
 - b. Gwen motions to approve the following termination. Erik seconds the motion. All in favor.

Name	Position	Date of Hire
Claire Nelson	Paraprofessional	Did not start, but was approved

VI. Closing of Meeting

A. Next meeting - on March 5th, 2025 at 5pm

Erik motions to adjourn the meeting at 6:05 pm. Nancy seconds the motion. All in favor.