

MEETING MINUTES

March 5th, 2024
Governing Board
Glen Canyon Outdoor Academy

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: March 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/ You may enter through the main entrance as early as 4:55pm.

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 5:09 pm
- B. Roll Call - Determine Quorum/ Present

- Gwen Lasslo
- Rochelle Russell
- Nancy Walker
- Erik Stanfield
- Rachell French

Others in Attendance:

- Susan Pilkington
- Nikki Jaborski

C. Approval of Agenda

Erik motions to approve tonight's agenda. Gwen seconds the motion. all in favor.

II. Approval of the Minutes

Gwen motions to approve February's 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. Open Enrollment ends next week
- b. Facilities- Jake will not be able to move forward with construction
 - i. Looking toward other companies
 - ii. Potential temporary locations- Shepherds Preschool
- c. PAC Board- Parent's Night Out/ PAC board mixer on Thursday, March 27th
- d. Staffing- Teacher interviews are still ongoing
- e. State Testing will start after Spring Break

B. School Board Member Reports

- a. Rachel- encourage parents to donate snacks to classroom's for state testing
- b. Erik- Page Middle School is closing. The Pera Club is still empty.

V. Business:

1. Discussion, consideration, and possible action to approve the [agreement](#) with Grand Canyon Youth- Susan Pilkington
 - a. Erik motions to discuss, consider, and take possible action to approve the agreement with Grand Canyon Youth. Rachell seconds the motion. All in favor.
 - b. This is insurance agreement for the river trip
 - c. AZ Tax Credit donations can also be applied toward the cost of the river trip
 - d. Erik motions to approve the agreement with Grand Canyon Youth. Gwen seconds the motion. All in favor
2. Discussion, consideration, and possible action to approve the stipend for \$1000 for Rob Wulff and Natalie Russell- Susan Pilkington
 - a. Erik motions to discuss, consider, and take possible action to approve the stipend for \$1000 for Rob Wulff and Natalie Russell. Gwen seconds the motion. All in favor.
 - b. Erik motions to approve the stipend for \$1000 for Rob Wulff and Natalie Russell. Rachell seconds the motion. All in favor.
3. Discussion, consideration, and possible action to approve the continuation of the contract with Justine Carryer until June 30, 2025- Susan Pilkington

- a. Erik motions to discuss, consider, and take possible action to approve the continuation of the contract with Justine Carryer until June 30, 2025. Gwen seconds the motion. All in favor.
 - b. This continues the contract from the end of January through June 30th, 2025.
 - c. Erik motions to approve the continuation of the contract with Justine Carryer until June 30, 2025. Rachell seconds the motion. All in favor.
4. Discussion, consideration, and possible action to approve the voluntary transfer of Raini Goatson from school leader to classroom teacher for school year 2025-2026- Susan Pilkington
- a. Erik motions to discuss, consider, and take possible action to approve the voluntary transfer of Raini Goatson from school leader to classroom teacher for school year 2025-2026. Rachell seconds the motion. All in favor.
 - b. Raini will finish out the school year as our school leader then move into the classroom. She will be our middle school lead teacher.
 - c. The position has been posted internally and externally.
 - d. Erik motions to approve the voluntary transfer of Raini Goatson from school leader to classroom teacher for school year 2025-2026. Rachell seconds the motion. All in favor.
5. Discussion, consideration, and possible action to approve the following new hires- Nikki Jaborski
- a. Gwen motions to discuss, consider, and take possible action to approve the following new hire. Erik seconds the motion. All in favor.
 - b. Erik motions to approve the following new hire. Rachell seconds the motion. All in favor.

Name	Position	Date of Hire
Cathy Begay	Paraprofessional	March 3, 2025

6. Discussion, consideration, and possible action to approve increasing our investments of reserve funds into a secure option for gaining interest - Susan Pilkington
- a. Erik motions to discuss, consider, and take possible action to approve increasing our investments of reserve funds into a secure option for gaining interest. Rachell seconds the motion. All in favor.
 - b. Reserve funds are in a CD account
 - c. Erik motions to approve increasing our investments of reserve funds into a secure option for gaining interest. Rachell seconds the motion. All in favor.

VI. Closing of Meeting

A. Next meeting - on April 2nd, 2025 at 5pm

Erik motions to adjourn the meeting at 5:40 pm. Rachell seconds the motion. All in favor