

# Great Valley School District

## School Board Organization Meeting Highlights

### December 4, 2023

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#### During the December 4, 2023, Organization Meeting

The December 4, 2023, organization meeting was called to order by President David Barratt. **Board members present:** Tricia Bliven-Chasinoff, Rachel Gallegos, Samantha Jouin, Wendy Litzke, Neha Mehta, Thomas Richards, Andrea Rizzo, and Rebecca Spiess. **Absent:** None. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

#### Board Committee Appointments

Great Valley is required under Sec. 400-404 of the School Code to organize during the first week of December.

**Mr. Barratt** opened the nominations for Temporary President to preside over the election of officers. **Mrs. Jouin** was nominated and nominations were closed. **Mrs. Jouin** assumed the duties of Temporary President.

**Mrs. Jouin** asked Mr. Peterson, Board Secretary, to certify the election results. The following persons were certified to serve a four-year term (2023—2027) on the Board of School Directors of the Great Valley School District:

Rachel Gallegos	Region 1
Wendy Litzke	Region 2
Neha Mehta	Region 2
Thomas Richards	Region 3
Rebecca Spiess	Region 3

**Mrs. Jouin** administered the Oath of Office and the new board members took their seats at the board table.

**Mrs. Jouin** opened the nominations for Board President for the ensuing year. **Mr. Barratt** was nominated and nominations were closed. The motion carried 9 to 0. **Mr. Barratt** accepted the nomination for Board President.

**Mr. Barratt** called for nominations for Board Vice-President. **Ms. Gallegos** was nominated, and nominations were closed. The motion carried 9 to 0. **Ms. Gallegos** accepted the nomination for Board Vice-President.

#### Board Committee Appointments

**Mr. Barratt** then presided over the committee appointments. Results are as follows:

##### Communications Committee

Chair – Wendy Litzke

Members – Tricia Chasinoff, Samantha Jouin

##### Finance Committee

Chair – Wendy Litzke

Members – Committee of the Whole

##### Policy Committee

Chair – Neha Mehta

Members – Rachel Gallegos, Tricia Chasinoff

##### Facilities Committee

Chair – David Barratt

Members – Becky Spiess, Wendy Litzke



Board Committee Appointments

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Instructional Technology and Curriculum Committee

Chair – Andrea Rizzo

Members – Samantha Jouin, David Barratt

Other

Special Education Plan Board Representative (Part of Comprehensive Plan) – Neha Mehta

Board Member Representative on The Foundation at Great Valley – Becky Spiess

Board Member Representative on Parent Key Communicators – Andrea Rizzo & Tom Richards

Council for Diversity and Inclusion – Tricia Chasinoff

Chester County Intermediate Unit Board Representative – Andrea Rizzo

PSBA Liaison/Legislative Representative – Samantha Jouin

NSBA Representative – No Board Member Appointed

Program Approval

**Dr. Mehta** made a motion, with a second by **Ms. Litzke**, to approve the Board Work Session Meetings, Regular Business Meetings, and Committee Meetings for all of 2024, and through June 2025. The motion carried by a vote of 9 to 0.

Adjournment

The board voted 9 to 0 to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.