

Great Valley School District

School Board Organization Meeting Highlights

December 5, 2025

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The December 5, 2025 Business Meeting

The December 5, 2025, organization meeting was called to order by Vice President Rachel Gallegos. **Board members present:** Tricia Bliven-Chasinoff, Stacey Kahan, Wendy Litzke, Neha Mehta, Andrea Rizzo, and Lorie Sollenberger. **Absent:** Becky Speiss and Thomas Richards.

Following the Pledge of Allegiance, Ms. Gallegos announced that Great Valley is required under Sec. 400-404 of the School Code to organize during the first week of December.

Board Organization

Ms. Gallegos opened the nominations for Temporary President to preside over the election of officers. Ms. Jouin nominated Neha Mehta. Seeing that there were no other nominations, Ms. Gallegos closed nominations. Dr. Mehta assumed the duties of Temporary President.

Election Certification

Dr. Mehta asked Ms. McGibboney, Board Secretary, to certify the election results. The following persons were certified to serve a four-year term (2025—2029) on the Board of School Directors of the Great Valley School District:

Andrea Rizo	Region 1
Stacey Kahan	Region 1
Lorie Sollenberger	Region 2
Tricia Bliven-Chasinoff	Region 3

Dr. Mehta administered the Oath of Office and the new board members took their seats at the board table.

Election of Officers

Dr. Mehta opened nominations for Board President for the ensuing year. Ms. Gallegos was nominated, and the nominations were closed. The motion carried 7 to 0. Ms. Gallegos accepted the nomination for Board President.

Ms. Gallegos opened nominations for Board Vice-President. Dr. Metha was nominated and the nominations were closed. The motion carried by 7 to 0. Dr. Mehta accepted the nomination for Board Vice-President.

Appointment of Board Members

Ms. Gallegos then presided over the committee appointments. The results are as follows:

Communications Committee

Chair – Wendy Litzke

Members – Rachel Gallegos, Stacey Kahan

Finance Committee

Chair – Wendy Litzke, Board Treasurer

Members – Committee of the Whole

Policy Committee

Chair – Neha Mehta

Members – Tricia Chasinoff, Stacey Kahan



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Facilities Committee

Chair – Becky Spiess

Members – Rachel Gallegos, Lorie Sollenberger

Learning and Innovation Committee

Chair – Andrea Rizzo

Members – Lorie Sollenberger, Tom Richards

Other Committee Appointments:

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

Board Member Representative on Parent Key Communicators – Tom Richards and Becky Speiss

Council for Diversity and Inclusion – Tricia Chasinoff and Stacey Kahan

Wellness Committee – Neha Mehta

Chester County School Authority – Stephen Dittmann

Chester County Intermediate Unit Board Representative – Andrea Rizzo

Legislative Representative – Tricia Chasinoff

NSBA/PSBA Representative – Neha Mehta

The Great Valley Education Foundation will have an administrator attend the meetings, and the Board will revisit whether a board member should participate in the future.

Adjournment

Seeing no further comments or questions, the board voted 7 to 0 to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 6:15 p.m.