

GEORGIA CYBER ACADEMY (GCA)
BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
DATE: February 25, 2026 | TIME: 6:00 PM

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AGENDA

Board Attendees: Kenneth Asher, Dr. Adria Welcher, Alisha Birthá, John Brooks, Mark Peevy

Board Employees: Mike Kooi (Superintendent), Andre Hopewell (CFO), Ahoba Arthur (CAO)

Staff: Keira Hopkins, Executive Assistant, Jennifer Mitchell, Operations & Compliance Director, Gail Robertson, District Talent & Performance Coordinator

- I. Call to order
- II. Review and approval of January 2025 board meeting minutes
- III. Governance Committee Report -Including possible recommendations for revisions to:
- IV. (GCA Social Media Policy (new),GCA Bylaws, Board Member Development Opportunities and Board Governance Training Policy, Board Meeting Agendas Policy)
- V. Academic Oversight Committee
- VI. Finance Committee Report
- VII. Superintendent's report – Mike Kooi – GCA Superintendent
- VIII. PUBLIC COMMENT
- IX. Next Board of Directors Meeting

ADJOURN

SUMMARY OF ACTIONS:

	MOTION	SECOND	VOTE
Motion to amend agenda to remove Executive Session	Alisha Birthá	John Brooks	Unanimous approval
Motion to adopt January 2026 regular board meeting minutes as amended	Mark Peevy	Alisha Birthá	Unanimous approval
Motion to approve Social Media Policy	John Brooks	Alisha Birthá	Unanimous approval
Motion to approve amended Governance Training Policy	Alisha Birthá	John Brooks	Unanimous approval
Motion to repeal Board Member Development Opportunities Policy	Alisha Birthá	Dr. Adria Welcher	Unanimous approval
Motion to approve revised Board Meeting Agendas Policy	John Brooks	Dr. Adria Welcher	Unanimous approval
Motion to approve revised Federal Programs Handbook	Dr. Adria Welcher	Mark Peevy	Unanimous approval
Motion to Adjourn	John Brooks	Mark Peevy	Unanimous approval

I. Call to order – Kenneth Asher

After determining the presence of a quorum, Kenneth Asher called the meeting to order at 6:03 pm

- Motion to amend the agenda to remove the Executive Session

II. Review and approval of January 2026 board meeting minutes

- Motion to approve January 21, 2026 minutes – 1st – Mark Peevy – 2nd Alisha Birthá - Unanimous approval

III. Governance Committee Report – Mike Kooi

Mike Kooi reported on behalf of Dr. Brittany Wells, highlighting a strategic plan update from Gail, including progress on the Owls Onward program for 9th graders and initiatives in communications. The committee reviewed a new state-mandated Social Media policy after attorney revisions and discussed several other policies, but postponed action on the GCA

bylaws pending further review. Mike also explained that the Federal Programs Handbook update was required to meet Commission requirements and involved incorporating language from the Department of Education regarding lost, stolen, or damaged equipment procedures.

- Motion to approve GCA Social Media policy – 1st John Brooks – 2nd Alisha Birthá - Unanimous approval
- Motion to approve amended Board Training policy – 1st Alisha Birthá – 2nd John Brooks - Unanimous approval
- Motion to repeal Board Member Development Opportunity policy – 1st Alisha Birthá – 2nd Dr. Adria Welcher - Unanimous approval
- Motion to approve revised Board Meeting Agenda policy – 1st John Brooks – 2nd Dr. Adria Welcher - Unanimous approval
- Motion to approve Federal Programs Handbook – 1st Dr. Adria Welcher – 2nd Mark Peevy - Unanimous approval

IV. Academic Oversight Committee Report – Dr. Ahoba Arthur

Dr. Arthur reported that the Academic Oversight Committee was presented with CTSO student presentations and mid-year academic data showing areas needing improvement, particularly in ELA and math, with a focus on addressing these through ongoing data review and instructional practices

V. Finance Committee Report – John Brooks & Andre Hopewell

Andre Hopewell reported that the Finance Committee approved two advertising contracts for Google Ads and Meta Platforms, which will be used for student enrollment advertising over the summer. Andre presented the results of the quarter two financial audit, which showed no findings and confirmed compliance with organizational policies. The Finance Committee also reviewed January financials, reporting a surplus, with total revenue and strong financial metrics including a passing CPF framework score and exceeding benchmarks

VI. Head of School/Superintendent Report – Mike Kooi

Jennifer reported on updated enrollment numbers. Mike reported on open enrollment window and final enrollment numbers being available March 26. Mike also reported on board virtual training requirements, GCA Science & Social Studies Fair recap, CFP scores and upcoming conferences

VII. PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comments

VIII. Next Board of Directors Meeting

Scheduled next board meeting for March 18, 2026

ADJOURN

- Motion to adjourn 1st – John Brooks – 2nd Mark Peevy

Meeting adjourned without objection at 6:59 pm