

**GAINESVILLE R-5 SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
OPEN SESSION MINUTES
AUGUST 17, 2026
CENTRAL OFFICE**

PRESENT: Jabet Wade, President; Mason Eslinger, Vice President; Sally Hamblenton, Member; Jeff Lane, Member; Wes Uchtman, Member; Dakota Nash, Member; Allisa West, Secretary

ALSO PRESENT: Justin Gilmore, Richard Wylie, Trevor Hicks, Melissa Dalton

The meeting was called to order by President Jabet Wade at 6:00 p.m. with six members present.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The board approved the following items by consent: Agenda, July 20th, 2026 Open Session Minutes, July Bills, and Special Education Compliance Plan Certification. Motion was made by Dakota Nash, seconded by Sally Hamblenton to approve the consent agenda. Motion carried 6-0.

EXECUTIVE ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

Mr. Gilmore reviewed with the board financial reports and discussed account balances.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON OPEN AGENDA ITEMS

As per Missouri Sunshine law: only items listed and noticed up on the agenda can be discussed by the public.

DISCUSSION / ACTION ITEMS

□ TAX LEVY: Ozark Co./Douglas Co.

Mr. Gilmore reviewed the Assessed Valuations from Ozark and Douglas County with the board.

□ TEACHER CONTRACT ADDENDUM

Mr. Gilmore reviewed with the board the contract addendum to teacher's contracts who are under \$40,000.00, and a \$46,000 contract addendum for teachers with a Masters and 10 years experience. Motion was made by Jeff Lane, seconded by Dakota Nash to approve the teacher contract addendum for the 2026-27 school year. Vote carried 6-0.

□ SUBSTITUTE LIST FOR 2026-27

Mr. Gilmore reviewed with the board amendments to the substitute list for the 2026-2027 school year. Motion was made by Mason Eslinger, seconded by Sally Hamblenton to approve the substitute list for the 2026-27 school year. Vote carried 5-0. Dakota Nash abstained.

□ SET 2026-27 SENIOR GRADUATION

Mr. Gilmore recommended the board set graduation for the 2027 graduating senior class for May 14th, 2027 at 7:30 pm at Benton Breeding Stadium. Motion was made by Mason Eslinger, seconded by Dakota Nash, to set graduation for May 14th, 2027 at 7:30 p.m. Vote carried 6-0.

CONVENE EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR PURPOSES LISTED IN SECTION 610.021

A **motion** was made by Dakota Nash, seconded by Mason Eslinger, to convene executive session for purposes listed in section RSMo 610.021, (3), (12) & (13) Personnel. Roll Call Vote: Hambelton-yes; Lane-yes; Eslinger-yes; Wade-yes; Nash-yes; and Uchtman-yes. 7:30 p.m.

Exit Executive Session 6:39 p.m.

BOARD ACTIONS -

A **motion** was made by Sally Hambelton, seconded by Jeff Lane, to hire Clinton Smith as custodian, Amber Shrewsberry and Leslianna Vanderveen as cooks, and Addisyn Clark to substitute teacher list for the 2026-27 school year. Vote carried 6-0.

A **motion** was made by Sally Hambelton, seconded by Jeff Lane, to appoint Justin Gilmore as Safety Coordinator and Todd Luna as Assistant Safety Coordinator for the 2026-2027 school year. Vote carried 6-0.

ADJOURNMENT

A **motion** was made by Mason Eslinger, seconded by Dakota Nash to adjourn the meeting. Roll Call Vote: Hambelton-yes; Lane-yes; Eslinger-yes; Wade-yes; Nash-yes; and Uchtman-yes. 6:40 p.m.

President, Board of Education

Secretary, Board of Education