



Gaming and Technology Academy of Saginaw
500 S. Hamilton St.
Saginaw, MI 48602

Approved Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, June 24, 2026 @ 5:00 p.m.

1. Call to Order **Andy Lintz, calls meeting to order at 5:08 pm**
2. Roll Call
Board Members:
Andy Lintz
Brandon Kathman
Debi Hartman
Neal Niemiec (Virtual)
Members of the Public:
Michelle Kyles - TF
Stacy Hengehold - TF
Dave Patterson - TF
Lynn Methner - LSSU
3. Approval of the Agenda - **Andy Lintz motioned to approve the agenda as proposed, seconded by Debi Hartman. 3 ayes, 0 nays.**
4. Approval of the Regular Meeting Minutes - May 27, 2026
Brandon Kathman motioned to approve the regular meeting minutes from May 27, 2026, seconded by Andy Lintz. No discussion, 3 ayes, 0 nays.
5. Public Comment (Agenda items only): *The Board recognizes the public's right to comment on educational issues and the value of allowing members of the public to express themselves on school matters. Pursuant to Board Policy, public comment is limited to two minutes duration for each participant who wishes to address the Board. No participant may speak more than once on the same topic unless all others who wish to speak on that topic have been heard. Participants shall direct all comments to the Board and not to staff or other participants. All statements shall be directed to the presiding officer; no person may address or question board members individually. The Board will not verbally respond to any public comments at the time of the meeting but may refer comments to appropriate personnel for follow up or respond itself in a time efficient manner. Those in attendance at this meeting are reminded that this is a meeting of the Board of Directors in public for the purpose of conducting academy business.*
6. Financials
 - a. Approval and vote to go into Budget Hearing **Andy Lintz motioned to pause regular meeting and enter budget hearing; Debi Hartman seconded. No discussion. 3 ayes, 0 nays.**
Dave Patterson provided updates on budget changes at the state and federal level; presented the proposed budget for fiscal year 2026-2027; Dave discussed strategically planning with the board in building the academy's fund balance over time;
 - b. Approval and vote to re-enter the Annual Meeting **Andy Lintz motioned to close budget hearing and re-enter annual meeting; Brandon Kathman seconded. No discussion. 3 ayes, 0 nays.**
 - c. Approval of the 26-27 Budget Resolution **Andy Lintz motioned to approve budget resolution; Debi Hartman seconded. Brief discussion regarding timeline for budget amendment. 3 ayes, 0 nays.**

- d. IFF Loan Discussion **deferred to discuss during TF State of School report under Reports**
 - e. Teachers First AR report Discussion **Dave Patterson presented the AR reports and what is being purchased for the academy that Teachers First will seek reimbursement for when revenue begins to come in;**
7. Reports
- a. LSSU Field Rep Report/Lynn Methner **Absent; Report submitted and included in board report for board review**
 - b. Teachers First State of the School **Executive Director Michelle Kyles discussed Teachers First updates, Back 2 School Conference, school operation updates such as building preparations, furniture, painting, etc., transportation, maintenance, technology, budget and AR updates, compliance; Dave Patterson presented enrollment, enrollment goal, marketing and partnership updates and the IFF loan discussion; Director of School Quality Stacy Hengehold presented academic updates and staff hiring and recruiting updates; (as presented in State of the School Report)**
8. Old Business
9. New Business
- a. Approval of the annual organization meeting resolutions as a consent agenda **Andy Lintz motioned to approve the annual organization resolutions; Hartman supported; 3 ayes, 0 nays.**
10. Correspondence - **no correspondence**
11. Extended Public Comment (For non-agenda items) **Discussion of quorum for July meeting; Hartman, Kathman, Lintz confirmed. Vice President Kathman inquired in a brief discussion of planning review at the building.**
12. Adjournment - Next Meeting: Regular Meeting, **July 22, 2026 Andy Lintz motioned to adjourn; Brandon Kathman seconded. Meeting adjourned @ 6:30pm.**

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Board Signature: _____

Debi Hartman

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