

**Georgia Student Finance Commission  
Board of Commissioners Meeting  
May 8, 2025**

Georgia Student Finance Commission & Microsoft Teams

**Meeting Minutes**

**1. Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 10:17 a.m. by Ed Pease, Board Chair.

**2. Attendance Report**

Hannah Wright, Board Recording Secretary, delivered the Attendance Report. The following board members were present: Board Chair Ed Pease, Vice Chair Mid Ramsey, Faison Middleton, Linda McWhorter, Thad Thompson, Dr. Narasimhulu Neelagaru, David Perez, Dr. Sarah Hawthorne, Jim Weidner, John Loud, Richard Mant, and Bob Grigsby.

**3. Approval of Agenda**

It was recommended that the agenda for the May 8, 2025 Georgia Student Finance Commission Board of Commissioners meeting be approved as presented.

Motion made by: Jim Weidner

Motion seconded by: Linda McWhorter

Voting: Unanimously Approved

**4. Approval of Meeting Minutes from February 7, 2025 and March 13, 2025**

It was recommended that the minutes from the February 7, 2025 and March 13, 2025 meetings be approved as presented.

Voting: Unanimously Approved

**5. Approval of Meeting Dates for FY 2026**

It was recommended that the FY 2026 meeting dates be approved as presented.

Motion made by: Dr. Narasimhulu Neelagaru

Motion seconded by: Mid Ramsey

Voting: Unanimously Approved

**6. Approval of Board Resolution**

It was recommended that the Board of Commissioners of the Georgia Student Finance Commission approve the Resolution as presented, recognizing Lynne Riley, former Georgia Student Finance Commission President, on a job well done.

Motion made by: Dr. Narasimhulu Neelagaru

Motion seconded by: Bob Grigsby

Voting: Unanimously Approved

**7. Chairman's Comments to the Board**

Ed Pease delivered remarks to the Board as information.

**8. President's Report to the Board**

Chris Green presented the President's Report to the Board as information.

**9. Recognition of 20, 25, and 35 Years of Service**

Chris Green recognized employees who celebrated 20, 25, and 35 years of service as information.

**10. Discussion and Acceptance of Committee Reports**

It was recommended that the Board of Commissioners of the Georgia Student Finance Commission accept the reports and recommendations as presented by the Chair of each Committee.

Committee on Executive and Compensation (1 Action Item)

- **Annual Election of Officers for FY 2026**

Committee on Public Policy and Law (3 Action Items)

- **Approval of Bylaw Amendments for Georgia Student Finance Commission**
- **Approval of FY 2026 Program Regulations**
- **Approval of Program Exception Requests**

Committee on Finance and Business Operations (1 Action Item)

- **Approval of FY 2026 Operating Budget for Georgia Student Finance Commission**

Voting: Unanimously Approved

**11. Adjournment**

With no further business to discuss, it was recommended that the Georgia Student Finance Commission Board of Commissioners meeting be adjourned at 10:30 a.m.

Motion made by: Thad Thompson

Motion seconded by: Mid Ramsey

Voting: Unanimously Approved

**Georgia Student Finance Authority  
Board of Directors Meeting  
May 8, 2025**  
Georgia Student Finance Commission & Microsoft Teams

**Meeting Minutes**

**1. Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 10:30 a.m. by Ed Pease, Board Chair.

**2. Attendance Report**

Hannah Wright, Board Recording Secretary, delivered the Attendance Report. The following board members were present: Board Chair Ed Pease, Vice Chair Mid Ramsey, Faison Middleton, Linda McWhorter, Thad Thompson, Dr. Narasimhulu Neelagaru, David Perez, Dr. Sarah Hawthorne, Jim Weidner, John Loud, Richard Mant, and Bob Grigsby.

**3. Approval of Agenda**

It was recommended that the agenda for the May 8, 2025 Georgia Student Finance Commission Board of Directors meeting be approved as presented.

Motion made by: Dr. Narasimhulu Neelagaru

Motion seconded by: Thad Thompson

Voting: Unanimously Approved

**4. Approval of Meeting Minutes from February 7, 2025 and March 13, 2025**

It was recommended that the minutes from the February 7, 2025 and March 13, 2025 meetings be approved as presented.

Voting: Unanimously Approved

**5. Approval of Meeting Dates for FY 2026**

It was recommended that the FY 2026 meeting dates be approved as presented.

Motion made by: Bob Grigsby

Motion seconded by: David Perez

Voting: Unanimously Approved

**6. Discussion and Acceptance of Committee Reports**

It was recommended that the Board of Directors of the Georgia Student Finance Authority accept the reports and recommendations as presented by the Chair of each Committee.

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Committee on Executive and Compensation (1 Action Item)

- **Annual Election of Officers for FY 2026**

Committee on Public Policy and Law (1 Action Item)

- **Approval of Bylaw Amendments for Georgia Student Finance Authority**

Committee on Finance and Business Operations (1 Action Item)

- **Approval of FY 2026 Operating Budget for Georgia Student Finance Authority**

Voting: Unanimously Approved

**7. Adjournment**

With no further business to discuss, it was recommended that the Georgia Student Finance Authority Board of Directors meeting be adjourned at 10:33 a.m.

Motion made by: Thad Thompson

Motion seconded by: Mid Ramsey

Voting: Unanimously Approved

**Georgia Education Savings Authority  
Board of Directors Meeting  
May 8, 2025**

Georgia Student Finance Commission & Microsoft Teams

**Meeting Minutes**

**1. Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 10:34 a.m. by Ed Pease, Board Chair.

**2. Attendance Report**

Hannah Wright, Board Recording Secretary, delivered the Attendance Report. The following board members were present: Board Chair Ed Pease, Vice Chair Mid Ramsey, Faison Middleton, Linda McWhorter, Thad Thompson, Dr. Narasimhulu Neelagaru, David Perez, Dr. Sarah Hawthorne, Jim Weidner, John Loud, Richard Mant, and Bob Grigsby.

**3. Approval of Agenda**

It was recommended that the agenda for the May 8, 2025 Georgia Student Finance Commission Board of Directors meeting be approved as presented.

Motion made by: Thad Thompson

Motion seconded by: Bob Grigsby

Voting: Unanimously Approved

**4. Approval of Meeting Minutes from February 7, 2025, February 12, 2025, and March 13, 2025**

It was recommended that the minutes from the February 7, 2025, February 12, 2025, and March 13, 2025 meetings be approved as presented.

Voting: Unanimously Approved

**5. Approval of Meeting Dates for FY 2026**

It was recommended that the FY 2026 meeting dates be approved as presented.

Motion made by: Bob Grigsby

Motion seconded by: David Perez

Voting: Unanimously Approved

**6. Discussion and Acceptance of Committee Reports**

It was recommended that the Board of Directors of the Georgia Education Savings Authority accept the reports and recommendations as presented by the Chair of each Committee.

Committee on Executive and Compensation (1 Action Item)

- **Annual Election of Officers for FY 2026**

Committee on Public Policy and Law (1 Action Item)

- **Approval of Amendment to the FY 2025 Georgia Promise Scholarship Program Regulations**

Committee on Finance and Business Operations (1 Action Item)

- **Approval of FY 2026 Operating Budget for Georgia Education Savings Authority**

Voting: Unanimously Approved

**7. Adjournment**

With no further business to discuss, it was recommended that the Georgia Education Savings Authority Board of Directors meeting be adjourned at 10:37 a.m.

Motion made by: Thad Thompson

Motion seconded by: Linda McWhorter

Voting: Unanimously Approved