



The board approved these meeting minutes on 11/25/2025.

School Name- Gentry Academy		
Charter Number- 4284-07		
Date- Wednesday, October 29, 2025		
Address- 1420 County Road E East Vadnais Heights, MN 55110		
1. Call to Order		
By John Smith		Time- 4:32 pm
School Mission Statement Mission: At the core of Gentry Academy's ability to build great leaders is the philosophy that true leadership does not come from a single characteristic but rather a collection of traits, values, and skills that work together. It is Gentry Academy's mission to strive to bring together this collection of traits, values, and skills on a daily basis so as to help the students achieve their best possible selves. Vision: Gentry Academy's vision to "Build Tomorrow's Leaders" creates the foundation which all learning and development are built upon. Through its high-quality Leadership and Life Skills Program students are guided to discover, recognize and embrace their own unique skill set, passions, and opportunities for personal growth that set them up for success in life. Students are presented with a powerful opportunity to learn in a traditional classroom setting that is integrated with the highest-caliber leadership and W.I.N. (What I Need) Time curriculum. Each student deserves not only the best opportunities to learn and grow but also should enjoy the advantage of being surrounded by innovative and passionate peers who will simultaneously challenge and support them.		
2. Roll Call		
Board Member Names	Present	Absent
Brad Beck	X	
Samuel Fellows		X
Nikki Foley		X
Ellie Neumann	X	
Joe Norlin		X
John Smith	X	
Megan Stone	X	
Akiko Ziegler	X	
Jennifer Kurth (Ex Officio)	X	

Others Present			
Bridget Peterson			
3. Approval of the Agenda			
Motion- The meeting's agenda was presented for approval.			
Made by: Megan Stone		Seconded by: Brad Beck	
Discussion None			
Vote			
	Yea	Nay	Abstain
	5	0	0
4. Declaration of Conflict of Interest if any			
None			
5. Public Comment			
None			
6. Secretary's Report			
Motion- Ellie Neumann presented the September meeting minutes for approval.			
Made by: Brad Beck		Seconded by: Akiko Ziegler	
Discussion Ellie noticed one mistake in the treasurer report section. This will be fixed after the meeting.			
Vote			
	Yea	Nay	Abstain
	5	0	0
7. Treasurer's Report			
Motion- Bridget Peterson shared the September financial statement and supplemental report for approval.			
Made by: Brad Beck		Seconded by: Megan Stone	
Discussion Highlights: *25-26 Adopted Budget 321 ADM *25-26 Revised Budget 321 ADM *Actual ADM 338			

*25% Percent of the fiscal year completed
 *29%YTD revenue as a percent of budget based on the working projection.
 *19% YTD expenses as a percent of budget based on the working projection.
 *21% Projected ending fund balance as a % of expense budget

Vote

	Yea	Nay	Abstain
	5	0	0

8. Committee Report - School Update

Motion- No motion necessary, just information shared.

Made by:

Seconded by:

Discussion

Jennifer Kurth shared....

-co op soccer team went to state!

-website updates have been sent to Carlyn and looking at some ideas for improving the look

Megan Stone shared...

-conferences are complete with only 1-2 families that haven't completed (great attendance!)

-looking at a new sign up process for conferences next time

-drop in conferences in February will be an option for families

-winter sports are getting started

Vote

	Yea	Nay	Abstain

9a. Board Business (old and new)

Motion- Jennifer Kurth shared School Policy-Student Media/Journalism for approval.

Made by: Megan Stone

Seconded by: Brad Beck

Discussion

We don't currently have student led media, but if we ever do we want to have this in place

Vote

	Yea	Nay	Abstain
	5	0	0

9b. Board Business (old and new)

Motion- Jennifer Kurth shared School Policy-Whistleblower for approval.			
Made by: Brad Beck		Seconded by: John Smith	
Discussion None			
Vote			
	Yea	Nay	Abstain
	5	0	0
9c. Board Business (old and new)			
Motion- Jennifer Kurth shared School Policy-Nepotism for approval.			
Made by: Akiko Ziegler		Seconded by: Megan Stone	
Discussion None			
Vote			
	Yea	Nay	Abstain
	5	0	0
9d. Board Business (old and new)			
Motion- The purchase of a new 10 passenger school van for approval.			
Made by: Brad Beck		Seconded by: Megan Stone	
Discussion -Previous school van was sold for \$27,000 -New van bids were collected and gone over (Apple Ford White Bear Lake, Mercedes of St. Paul, & Schetky Bus & Van Sales- Apple Ford was chosen) -New 10 passenger van cost \$69,468 and the \$27,000 will be used toward purchase			
Vote			
	Yea	Nay	Abstain
	5	0	0
10. Board Training			
Training- MDE Reporting Calendar			
Date 10/29/2025			
Trainer Jennifer Kurth			

11. Announcements

-John brought up the idea of in-person meetings once a quarter. Discussion about maybe aligning with bigger votes and discussion. John will connect with Nikki, everyone in attendance was open to this idea.

-Sweep account- Jennifer will get more information on this, but it has been started, money will be moved into insured accounts which also has some interest with it.

-Next meeting is Tuesday, November 25, 2025

12. Adjournment

By: John Smith


Time: 5:29

Next meeting will be held:

Tuesday, November 25 @ 4:30 pm

Gentry Academy School Board Clerk

Gentry Academy School Board Chair





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