

Gates Pass Area Neighborhood Association
Board Meeting Minutes: Sunday, September 7, 2025 via Zoom (DRAFT 5)

Donna Snyder, President, called the “Google Meets” meeting to order at 10:00 am

Present remotely: Donna Snyder, *President*; Dori Frankel, *Vice President*, Barbara Fleming, *Treasurer*. *At large members*: Michael Ignatowicz, Susan Sferra. *Absent*: Karen Sweeney

Old Business:

• **August 10, 2025 Minutes:** Dori made a motion to approve the August minutes, Mike seconded and the board unanimously approved. Donna instigated discussion regarding proper procedure for distributing minutes to the membership prior to full approval at the following board meeting. It was voted to allow a “draft” version be emailed to members once board members have given input/approval. This will allow our members to see issues in a timely manner. The final version of the minutes will be formally approved at the following board meeting. Full minutes will be kept on file and can be found on our website. The vote for this change in protocol passed 4-1 in favor.

• **Treasurer’s Report:** Barb Fleming presented the treasurer’s report for August. Expenses included website costs and some necessities. A copy of the report is attached and is made a part of these minutes. Barb noted that we usually make our donations to The Cooper Center for Environmental Learning for \$500 and to Dark Sky International for \$100 at this time of year. Dori made a motion to make these donations, Susan seconded. Passed 5-0. At the time that these minutes were sent, the donations have been made.

• **Pima Prospers:** The comprehensive plan has been updated and is on line for review here: <https://www.pima.gov/3368/Pima-Prospers-2025>. The plan will be presented and reviewed by the PC Board of Supervisors at their next meeting September 16, 2025. Donna will try to attend.

• **Project Blue:** Project Blue is not as dead as we thought it might be. We sent an email to our members on September 3 with a plea to comment to the Arizona Corporation Commission to deny TEP’s request to supply power to the project. Susan also noted that the city manager, Tim Thomure, has been working under 5 NDA’s for quite some time. He is to be evaluated by the City Council in the upcoming meetings. The Mayor and Council voted against annexation of the land, and through that vote, the water service from Tucson cannot be provided under the proposal. It is not clear as to whether Pima County can cancel the land sale. The Board will continue to monitor. It was also noted that this would be Beale Infrastructure’s first data center construction project.

• **International Wildlife Museum property:** Mike reviewed an email from the new owners who are looking forward to meeting with our board. Mike will work to set up a meeting in the near future, preferably when all board members are in town and can be present.

• **Fall Membership Meeting:** As a reminder, the date for the **Fall Membership Meeting and Pot Luck** has been set: Saturday, November 8, 2025. It will take place after our Camino de Oeste roadside cleanup. County Supervisor, Andrés Cano has agreed to speak. The location will be Camp Cooper.

• **Fall Cleanup at Feliz Paseos Park:** We welcomed Carolyn Thurman as our new coordinator for the pickups at the park on September 6 at 8:00 AM. We had a nice turnout and Patrick Goodnight, Pima County Trails Program Manager attended.

New Business:

• **Roadside Cleanup Permit:** Barb reports that as of the distribution date of these minutes, our Camino de Oeste roadside clean-up permit has been renewed.

With no other items to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 11:00 AM.

Big thanks to Dori Frankel for taking notes for the minutes. Note that some information has been added after the meeting and is included in the minutes for clarity.

Synopsis of meeting by Donna Snyder

We are looking for a few good folks to become more involved with GPANA. Please consider joining the board! We'll be reaching out in the next few weeks...

Date Reminders:

Sunday, October 12, 2025 — Monthly Board Meeting at 10:00 AM. If you would like to join us, please email us at gpanasec@gmail.com for details...

Saturday, October 18, 2025 — Speedway Roadside Cleanup at 8:00 AM, we'll be working on Speedway from Camino de Oeste to Painted Hills Road. Details to come on where to meet...

November is Membership Month! Don't forget to renew your membership. We need you!

Saturday, November 8, 2025 — Camino de Oeste Roadside Cleanup at 8:00 AM. We'll meet at the corner of CdO and Trails End Road. To be followed by our **General Membership Meeting** at 10:30, to be held at Camp Cooper.

GPANA Treasurer's Report
08/31/2025
Prepared by Barbara Fleming, Treasurer

		Current Period 08/01/25-08/31/25	Year to Date 01/01/25-08/31/25
Beginning	Balance	\$4,957.22	\$5,656.94
Income			
	Membership-Checks & cash		\$360.00
	Membership-Credit card-Website		\$320.00
	Prepaid for 2026	\$20.00	\$20.00
	Am Fam Insurnc refund		\$291.49
	Donation		
	Refund fr ovrypmt	\$229.17	\$229.17
	Total Income	\$249.17	\$1,220.66
Expenses			
	WIX/PP Fees	\$1.19	\$16.20
	Post Office Box		\$192.00
	Website	\$687.52	\$687.52
	Insurance		\$1,225.00
	Office Expense	\$22.82	\$52.02
	AZ State Taxes & Corp Comm		\$80.00
	Raffle prizes		
	Gift cards		
	Election Buddy		
	Dontn Tucson Mountains Assoc		\$30.00
	Dontn Cntr Sonoran Des Protectn		\$100.00
	Donation to Camp Cooper		
	Donation to DarkSky Interntnl		
	Correction-Prior year		
	Total Expenses	\$711.53	\$2,382.74
Ending Balance		\$4,494.86	\$4,494.86

Member Totals	2022	2023	2024	8/31/2025
Member households	141	146	147	142
Individual members	261	273	273	260
New Members	18	16	11	2
Households not renewed	6	9	10	5