

GATES PASS AREA NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION
MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING February 15, 2026

Call to Order: Donna Snyder, President, called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. MST.

Present: Donna Snyder, President; Dori Frankel, Vice President; Barb Fleming, Treasurer; Susan Sferra, Secretary; At-large Members: Kris Dolezal and Michael Ignatowicz

Website: [Gates Pass Area Neighborhood Association | GPANA | Tucson](#)

1. Old Business

- a. Unanimous approval of our 01/18/26 board meeting minutes. In the interest of providing minutes to members in a more timely manner, we will now approve minutes online.
- b. Treasurer's Report + Membership status. The Income Statement Ending Balance as of 1/31/2026 was \$5,733.61. As of Feb 1, there were 150 household members, with 3 new households joining since the end of last year. We emailed renewal requests to 35 households. We encourage members to pay dues via credit card because Paypal charges a higher service fee.
- c. Speeding vehicles update. The board spoke to the Tucson Mountains Association about excessive vehicle speeding in our area. The Tucson Mountain Association would like to join GPANA in encouraging action from Pima County.
- d. International Wildlife Museum: On January 31, GPANA sent letters of support for a proposed non-profit museum to the Pima County Director of Development Services, Pima County Board Supervisor Andrés Cano and Pima County Economic Development.

2. New Business

- a. Brainstorming for future membership meetings ensued. Various ideas and potential speakers were discussed. We have to keep in mind that the Cooper Center, while a great venue, is not "power point" friendly. As a side bar, members could be encouraged to post their wildlife photos to our Facebook page.
- b. Donna sent a letter to the homeowner of a house that sits on the ridge in Trails End Estates. This house has blinding security lights that are only supposed to go on when there has been a break in. This was at the request of one of our members who lives in Trails End Estates. These extremely bright lights are very annoying for the neighborhood. No reply was received from the owner. Trails End and Mountainside areas have problem lights every night.
- c. The board learned from a third party that a law enforcement raid occurred at 4202 W Anklam Dr about a month ago. Boxes and cars were removed from the property. Board Members do not know the reason for the raid or its outcome at this time.

d. We discussed changing the monthly meeting to the fourth Sunday to better accommodate a board member's schedule beginning in May.

e. Mike Ignatowicz will be moving in early March. We are sad to see him go. He graciously offered to stay on the board till the end of his term.

The meeting adjourned around noon.

Susan Sferra, Secretary

Upcoming dates:

Saturday, March 7, 2026: Camino de Oeste Roadside pickup at 8 AM and Spring Membership Meeting at 10:30 AM at Camp Cooper

Sunday, March 15, 2026: Board Meeting (if you would like to attend, please email us at gpanasec@gmail.com)

Saturday, March 28, 2026: Speedway Pickup at 8:00 AM

Saturday April 11, 2026: Feliz Paseos Cleanup at 8:00 AM

Saturday April 19, 2026: Board Meeting (if you would like to attend, please email us at gpanasec@gmail.com)

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Additional information that may be of interest to our members...

TEP proposed rate increase update. Arizona Attorney General Kris Mayes' office submitted expert testimony to the Arizona Corporation Commission that found Tucson Electric Power's request to increase utility rates by 14 percent is "unjustified." Instead of a 14 percent rate hike, the expert testimony her office just filed with the ACC shows that TEP can achieve the same reliability with just a 4 percent increase by aligning what customers pay with TEP's actual costs. [AG Mayes says TEP hike 'unjustified' & asks ACC to consider a lower electric rate.](#)

Project Blue Update. The City of Tucson invites community members to participate in public meetings to provide input on proposed new regulations for large-scale data centers. These proposed data centers are likely to have significant impacts on the area's natural and cultural resources. Four public meetings will be offered for the community to learn more about the proposed regulatory framework and share feedback. Dates and locations can be found at [Data Centers Unified Development Code Amendment City of Tucson](#)

GPANA Treasurer's Report

1/31/2026

Prepared by Barbara Fleming, Treasurer

| | | Current Period 01/01/26-01/31/26 | Year to Date 01/01/26-01/31/26 |
|-----------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Beginning | Balance | \$5,610.55 | \$5,610.55 |
| Income | | | |
| | Mmbrship-Chks/cash | \$20.00 | \$20.00 |
| | Mmbrship-CCs | \$140.00 | \$140.00 |
| | Prepaid for 2026 | | |
| | Am Fam Insurnc refund | | |
| | Donation | | |
| | Refund from ovrypmt | | |
| | Total Income | \$160.00 | \$160.00 |
| Expenses | | | |
| | WIX/PP Fees | \$6.94 | \$6.94 |
| | Post Office Box | | |
| | Website | | |
| | Insurance | | |
| | Office Expense | | |
| | AZ StTax & Corp Comm | | |
| | Raffle prizes | | |
| | Gift cards | | |
| | Election Buddy | | |
| | Dontn Tuc Mt Assoc | \$30.00 | \$30.00 |
| | Dontn Sonrn Des Prtct | | |
| | Dontn Camp Cooper | | |
| | Dontn DarkSky Int | | |
| | Correction-Prior year | | |
| | Total Expenses | \$36.94 | \$36.94 |
| Ending Balance | | \$5,733.61 | \$5,733.61 |
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| Member Totals | | | |
| | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 |
| Mmber housholds | 146 | 147 | 147 |
| Individual member: | 273 | 273 | 272 |
| New Mmbr houshlc | 16 | 11 | 7 |
| Lapsed housholds | 9 | 10 | 44 |
| | | | 02/27/2026 |
| | | | 150 |
| | | | 278 |
| | | | 3 |
| | | | 22 |