

## GFDA BOARD OF DIRECTORS & COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, March 5, 2026

8:00 – 9:30 AM

Heritage Hall at Great Falls College

Approved 4/2/26

2100 16th Ave S.

Signed By: Nate Weisenburger, Secretary

Great Falls, MT 59405



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### GFDA Staff Present:

Brett Doney, Jill Kohles, Kristen Blue, Tracy Heggem

### GFDA Board Members Present:

Dr. Alan Kadish, Andreas Geranios, Brett Harris, Caroline Goulet Dani Grebe, Dax Miller, Glenn Bliss, Heather Hoyer, Jesse Waldenberg, Joe Briggs, Johnna Lightbourne, Len Watkins, Mark Cappis, Mike Mills, Nate Weisenburger, Pat Woodall, Randy Gilbertson, Reed Bassett, Shane Etwiler, Shannon Hoiland (Joined 8:43am) Stephanie Erdmann, Tiffany Hensley-McBain, Tom Heisler, Tyler Muzzana

### Non-Voting GFDA Board Members Present:

John Faulkner

### GFDA Council Members Present:

Brad Talcott, Brandon Rosten, David Dahl, Jim Wingerter, Jody Johnson, Josh DeVos, Kate Neil, Mike Hallahan

### Guests:

TSgt Aaron Thomasson (MAFB Public Affairs), Christa Franzi & Bridget Byrnes (Camoin Associates), Tony Ewalt (Sletten Construction)

*We encourage in person participation whenever possible. Times are approximate and agenda items may be taken out of order. Any Director with a potential conflict of interest on the agenda should state the conflict at the start of the meeting.*

- 8:00 1. Introductions – Johnna Lightbourne  
Introductions of Board and Council members, investors, staff and guests.
- 8:02 2. Consent Agenda – Johnna Lightbourne
- a) Accept excused absences: Ed Brown, Jim Dea, Morgan Tweet, Rebecca Engum, Rob Haney, Tracy Jerman
  - b) Approve minutes of 2/5/26 Board meeting.
- ACTION TAKEN: Motion to approve Consent Agenda. Motion seconded. None opposed. Motion carries.**
- 8:05 3. Great Falls Childcare Market Assessment  
Briefing by Camoin Associates on findings and recommendations of childcare market assessment GFDA commissioned for the Great Falls commute shed.
- 8:44 4. GFDA Energy & Data Center Efforts – Kristen Blue & Jolene Schalper  
Update and Q&A.
- 9:04 5. Great Falls Public Safety Polling – Johnna Lightbourne  
Brief discussion about whether GFDA should invest funds in the proposed polling.

- 9:09 6. Lending Report – Jill Kohles
- 9:16 7. Investor Report – Brett Doney
- 9:20 8. CEO Report – Brett Doney
- 9:27 9. Board & Council Sharing – Johnna Lightbourne  
Updates from Board and Council members on issues affecting GFDA’s mission and organization.
- 9:28 10. Public Comment – Johnna Lightbourne  
Opportunity for public comment.

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