



மில்வாக்கி மாநகர தமிழ்ச்சங்கம்

Greater Milwaukee Tamil Sangam

GMTS Electing a new **Executive Committee** and **Board of Directors 2026**

Acting President (Thangaraj Manoharan) → Initiated and scheduled the election process. Administered and presided over the meeting in which the elections were conducted, ensuring that all proceedings were orderly and in accordance with established procedures with transparency.

Acting Secretary (Vinothkumar Arputharaj) → Managed and administered the Board of Directors election process in accordance with the GMTS election procedures. Prepared and executed ballots for the existing Board of Directors, who constituted the eligible voters. Issued required election notices and meeting agendas, maintained official election records, and accurately recorded and documented the election results.

Board of Directors Meeting – Minutes

Minutes of Meeting

Prepared by: *Vinothkumar Arputharaj, Secretary, GMTS*

Date: January 04, 2026

Time: 4:00 PM – 7:00 PM

Location: W223N4464 Planetree Trl, Pewaukee, WI 53072

Meeting Type: In-Person

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at **4:00 PM CT**.

2. Agenda

The primary agenda of the meeting was to form the new GMTS board for 2026 as follows:

- To elect and finalize the **Executive Committee members** from the existing Executive Committee/Board of Directors for the calendar year **2026** for the following positions:

- President
 - Vice President
 - Secretary
 - Joint Secretary
 - Treasurer
 - Joint Treasurer
 - To formally **welcome the newly inducted Board of Directors members**
 - To discuss a **high-level roadmap for GMTS for the year 2026**
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3. Attendance

Existing Board of Directors (Present):

- Thangaraj Manoharan – Acting President
- Vinothkumar Arputharaj – Acting Secretary
- Srikanth Sriraman – Acting Treasurer
- Radhakrishnan Avula Dhanavendran – Acting Vice President
- Jeyanthi Periasamy – Acting Joint Secretary
- Ayyappan Ganesan – Acting Joint Treasurer
- Leninraj Karunakaran – Member
- Madhumitha Balasubramanian – Member
- Natarajan Boopathi – Member
- Vijayakumar Vasu – Member

New Board of Directors Members (Joined at 6:00 PM):

- Bharathi Rajasekar - Member
 - Gopinath Konda Varadarajan - Member
 - Sujitha Dhayalan - Member
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4. Executive Committee Election Process

- Only the **existing members of the Board of Directors** were present and participated in the executive committee elections process.
 - **Thangaraj Manoharan** presided over the election agenda, chaired the meeting in which the elections were conducted, and ensured that the proceedings were orderly and in accordance with the organization's welfare.
 - **Vinothkumar Arputharaj (Acting Secretary)** served as the **Election Officer** for the conduct of the elections.
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5. Election of Secretary

- The Acting President, Mr. Thangaraj Manoharan, invited nominations for the position of Secretary and inquired whether any additional candidates wished to contest the position. As there were no nominations other than the current Acting Secretary, **Mr. Vinothkumar Arputharaj was elected by acclamation as Secretary for the year 2026.**
 - Following the election of the Secretary, **Mr. Vinothkumar Arputharaj assumed responsibility for conducting and documenting the remaining officer elections.**
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6. Election Results – Executive Committee for 2026

The following positions were **elected unanimously** by all existing board members for the calendar year 2026:

- **Treasurer:** Ayyappan Ganesan
- **Vice President:** Madhumitha Balasubramanian
- **Joint Secretary:** Leninraj Karunakaran

The position of **Joint Treasurer** was initially contested between Natarajan Boopathi and Vijayakumar Vasu. After discussion, both parties agreed that **Vijayakumar Vasu** will serve as Joint Treasurer for 2026. The Board acknowledges this agreement and records it for completeness.

7. Election of President

- Two candidates contested for the position of **President:**
 - Jeyanthi Periasamy
 - Radhakrishnan Avula Dhanavendran
 - Voting was conducted through **anonymous closed polling.**
 - Based on the voting results, **Mr. Radhakrishnan Avula Dhanavendran** was duly elected as **President for the year 2026.**
 - The **Acting Joint Secretary, Ms. Jeyanthi Periasamy**, informed the Board of her decision to withdraw from the **Board of GMTS** and confirmed her intent to submit the resignation.
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8. Welcome of New Board Members

- At **6:00 PM**, the newly inducted Board of Directors members joined the meeting.
 - All existing board members formally welcomed the new members.
 - The importance of teamwork, collaboration, and active participation in GMTS activities was emphasized.
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9. Discussion – GMTS Roadmap 2026

- A **high-level roadmap** for GMTS activities and initiatives for the year 2026 was discussed.
 - Key focus areas included community engagement, event planning, sponsorship growth, and organizational sustainability.
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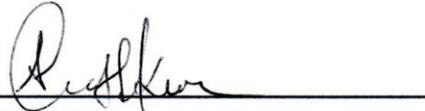
Meeting Adjourned at: 7:00 PM

Minutes prepared by:

Vinothkumar Arputharaj

Secretary, GMTS

Certified as a true and accurate record of the proceedings.



Vinothkumar Arputharaj

Acting Secretary (at the time of the meeting)

Date: 02-09-2026



Thangaraj Manoharan

Acting President (at the time of the meeting)

Date: 02-09-2026

The minutes of the January 04, 2026, GMTS Board Meeting were approved by the Board via electronic consent poll conducted on WhatsApp GMTS Board group on 01/25/2026.