



**GOLETA UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
William Banning, Superintendent

**Board of Trustees**

Valerie Kushnerov, President  
Pam Kinsley, Vice President  
Richard Mayer, Clerk  
Yvonne DeGraw, Member  
Susan Epstein, Member

**GOLETA UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
October 2, 2013**

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**1. ORGANIZATIONAL BUSINESS**

- a. Call to Order  
President Valerie Kushnerov called a regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Goleta Union School District to order at 7:00 p.m., at the Jack Kramer Administration Center, 401 N. Fairview Avenue, Goleta.
- b. Pledge of Allegiance  
Richard Mayer, Clerk, led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- c. Welcome of Guests  
President Kushnerov welcomed guests to the meeting.
- d. Announcement of Recorded Meeting  
President Kushnerov reminded the audience that the meeting was being recorded.

**2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

The Agenda for October 2, 2013 was approved as presented.

[Motion: Susan Epstein Second: Yvonne DeGraw Yes: 5 No: 0 Abstain: 0]

**3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The September 18, 2013 minutes were approved as presented.

[Motion: Pam Kinsley Second: Richard Mayer Yes: 5 No: 0 Abstain: 0]

**4. PUBLIC COMMENT**

The Board heard public comment from:

Shereen Khatapoush – Girls Incorporated

Carmen Lodise – Isla Vista Resident

Frank Thompson - Former Isla Vista Resident

**5. BOARD DISCUSSION – FOCUS ON DISTRICT VISION AND GOALS**

The Board and Superintendent Banning reviewed the core components of the District Strategic Plan. Superintendent Banning noted the Board's suggestions and will make modifications, which will be brought back to the Board for discussion, to the Mission Statement, Core Values, Vision and Strategic Goals as directed by the Board.

**6. CONSENT ITEMS**

The Board of Trustees approved the Consent Agenda as presented.

- a. Payment of Claims Report
- b. Routine Personnel Action Report

- c. Second Reading and Approval of Revised Board Policy 3311: Bids
- d. Second Reading and Approval of Revised Board Policy 4212.42: Drug and Alcohol Testing for Classified Employees Required to Operate a Commercial Vehicle

[Motion: Yvonne DeGraw Second Richard Mayer Yes: 5 No: 0 Abstain: 0]

## 7. ACTION ITEMS

The Board discussed and took action on the following items:

- a. Resolution 2013-15: Regarding the Transfer of Real Property Title to the City of Goleta Pursuant to the Lease with Purchase Agreement, Assignment of Lease, and Approval of CEQA Notice of Exemption

The Board unanimously approved Resolution 2013-15: Regarding the Transfer of Real Property Title to the City of Goleta Pursuant to the Lease with Purchase Agreement, Assignment of Lease, and Approval of CEQA Notice of Exemption as presented.

[Motion: Yvonne DeGraw Second: Pam Kinsley Yes: 5 No: 0 Abstain: 0]

- b. Second Amendment to Lease Agreement with the Santa Barbara Waldorf Association

The Board unanimously approved the Second Amendment to Lease Agreement with the Santa Barbara Waldorf Association

[Motion: Susan Epstein Second: Yvonne DeGraw Yes: 5 No: 0 Abstain: 0]

## 8. INFORMATION ITEMS

The following items, announcements, and/or reports were presented for information and discussion only:

- a. Program Improvement Report for 2013-2014

Assistant Superintendent DeVita gave the Board a Program Improvement Report for 2013-2014. The District has allocated \$385,000 to address the Program Improvement requirements, which includes the maximum amount allowable for Supplemental Education Services.

- b. Notice of Public Hearing – Initial Proposals for Bargaining from United Teaching Profession of Goleta/CTA/NEA to the Goleta Union School District for 2013-2014

Superintendent Banning informed the Board that this item would be brought back to the next meeting as an Action Item with a public hearing.

- c. Notice Of Public Hearing – Initial Proposals for Bargaining from Goleta Union School District to the United Teaching Profession of Goleta/CTA/NEA

Superintendent Banning informed the Board that this item would be brought back to the next meeting as an Action Item with a public hearing.

- d. First Reading of Revised Board Policy 5030: Student Wellness

Assistant Superintendent Saleh presented the First Reading of Revised Board Policy 5030: Student Wellness to the Board for review. Susan Epstein and Assistant Superintendent Saleh will meet to discuss the background of this Board Policy before it moves on to the Second Reading.

- e. Items for Future Agendas

## **9. SUPERINTENDENT REPORTS**

### William Banning, Superintendent:

Mr. Banning reported that the first District office staff meeting was held on September 20. A District staff meeting will be scheduled periodically, usually after a Board meeting, with a department presenting about their responsibilities. During the September meeting Margaret Saleh reported the duties of each Special Services staff member.

Mr. Banning also:

- Held the monthly CSEA leadership meeting.
- Attended the Santa Barbara Downs Syndrome Association event where Michael Galvan, Adaptive PE Teacher for GUSD, was acknowledged as the Extraordinary Educator of the Year.
- Is serving on the Goleta Teen of the Year Committee as a Goleta Noontime Rotary Member. Mr. Banning attended an orientation seminar and there will also be a financial seminar for this event.
- Sold lemon pies and bars at the Lemon Festival as part of Goleta Valley Chamber of Commerce duties.
- Attended a Mountain View PTA meeting.
- Delivered dictionaries to 3<sup>rd</sup> grade students along with other Rotary members.
- Visited schools and classrooms with Elizabeth DeVita and the principal.
- Attended Math PLC at Foothill School where the topics were Facts Wise and Number Talks.
- Attended CSBA Board Governance meeting in Santa Ynez with Pam Kinsley. Susan Salcido from SBCEO spoke about the Common Core.
- Attended workshops on classified hiring and managing employees at the Santa Barbara County Education Office.
- Attended a meeting at Goleta's City Hall regarding the GEF 4-Miler Fun Run and new safety restrictions.
- Reported that Liz Barnitz, Principal at El Camino, will be presenting to SBCEO as the only school in Program Improvement that met all its goals.

### Ralph Pachter, Assistant Superintendent, Fiscal Services:

Mr. Pachter reported that the regulations for the Prop 39 efficiency money are starting to galvanize. The District is considering LED lighting for the classrooms and will continue to study solar as roofs are replaced in the future.

### Elizabeth DeVita, Assistant Superintendent, Instructional Services:

Ms. DeVita visited La Patera and Foothill where she continues to see evidence of students engaged in problem solving discussions around math problems. The focus of the Math PLC was to continue the work started in August. Ms. DeVita held a Transitional Kindergarten Advisory Meeting with teacher representatives, a school psychologist, principals and district administrators to discuss the TK program. TK has an enrollment this year of 69 students. Teachers are preparing for fall conferences.

### Margaret Saleh, Assistant Superintendent, Special Services and Pupil Personnel:

Assistant District Attorney David Chen came to the Management Team Meeting and presented to the principals year two of the SARB process. Ms. Saleh acknowledged the work at Mountain View School for the Intellectual Disabilities K-I program, which moved this summer from Brandon to Mountain View. All is going very well.

## **10. BOARD MEMBER REPORTS**

### Yvonne DeGraw:

Ms. DeGraw attended the Coherent Writing PLT, at the District Office, where they were preparing for a PLC meeting on October 24<sup>th</sup>.

Ms. DeGraw also reported:

- Attending the Welcome Back Picnic at Kellogg School and volunteering at the Book Fair. She will be planting a tree with Goleta Valley Beautiful in the kindergarten yard.
- Ms. DeGraw enjoyed the Lemon Festival.
- Heard Alan Alda speak at UCSB on Science Communications.
- Teaches the Future Scientist and Engineers of America class, with her husband, at Kellogg School.

### Richard Mayer:

- Received a letter from the County Superintendent regarding nominations for the County Committee on School District Organization.

### Pam Kinsley:

Ms. Kinsley attended the CSBA Governance Series in Santa Ynez where the topic was Common Core Standards. Ms. Kinsley will attend County CSBA's breakfast meeting on Thursday, September 19<sup>th</sup>.

Ms. Kinsley also reported that she will participate in the following:

October 9 – Brandon BOW WOW (Bike to Work – Walk to Work) – Ms. Kinsley will attend as the board representative.

October 12 – *Salute to Teachers* with Superintendent Banning.

October 18 – First meeting of the Tri-County Coalition in the GUSD Board Room. Speaker Dennis Myers, Assistant Executive Director for Governmental Relations from CSBA, will speak about the *Local Control Funding Formula*.

### Valerie Kushnerov:

Mrs. Kushnerov attended the meeting at the City of Goleta regarding GUSD and GEF's 4-Miler Fun Run. Mrs. Kushnerov reminded the Board about the film that will be shown at the Bacara on October 9 regarding Cyber Bullying with a reception at 5:30 p.m. She will be attending the Goleta Valley Beautiful (GVB) luncheon to say a few words about the Memorandum of Understanding between GVB and GUSD.

Mrs. Kushnerov will be participating in Career Day at Goleta Valley Junior High on October 30. She invited all Board members to call Partners in Education if they wish to participate in Career Day.

## **11. NEXT REGULAR MEETING DATE**

Regular Meeting – Wednesday October 16, 2013 at 7:00 P.M.

Jack Kramer Administration Center Board Room  
401 N. Fairview Avenue, Goleta, CA 93117

Consent, Action and Informational Agenda Deadline: 10:00 a.m., Monday, October 7, 2013.

**12. ADJOURNMENT INTO CLOSED SESSION**

The Board adjourned into a closed session at 8:52 p.m. with Superintendent William Banning and Assistant Superintendents Elizabeth DeVita, Margaret Saleh and Ralph Pachter to discuss:

- a. Negotiations with United Teaching Profession of Goleta/CTA/NEA (Government Code §3540)

**13. RECONVENE OPEN SESSION/REPORT FROM CLOSED SESSION (IF APPLICABLE)**

The Board reconvened open session at 9:34 p.m. with nothing to report.

**14. ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING**

[Motion: Pam Kinsley Second: Richard Mayer Time: 9:35 p.m.]

  
Richard Mayer, Clerk