



**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 16, 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 16, 2013 was approved as presented.

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

**3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The October 2, 2013 minutes were approved as presented.

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

**4. PUBLIC COMMENT**

There was no public comment.

President Kushnerov suggested, and the Board agreed, to move Information Item 8b – The Isla Vista Redevelopment Agency Dissolution Process, in the agenda to accommodate Frank Thompson who was waiting to give public comment regarding this item.

Frank Thompson – Former Isla Vista resident addressed the Board

Ralph Pachter brought the Board up to date regarding the Isla Vista Redevelopment Agency Dissolution Process.

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

The Board and Superintendent Banning discussed proposed changes to core components in the District's Strategic Plan.

**6. CONSENT ITEMS**

The Board of Trustees approved the Consent Agenda as presented.

- a. Payment of Claims Report

- b. Routine Personnel Action Report
- c. Approval of the Quarterly Report on Williams/Valenzuela Uniform Complaints

[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. Gifts and Donations to the District  
The Board approved all listed Gifts and Donations to the District.

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

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

A Public Hearing was held. There were no comments. The Board accepted the Initial Proposals for Bargaining from United Teaching Profession of Goleta/CTA/NEA to Goleta Union School District for 2013-2014.

Open 8:10 p.m. Closed 8:11 p.m.

[Motion: Pam Kinsley Second: Susan Epstein Yes: 5 No: 0 Abstain: 0 ]

- c. Public Hearing and Approval of Initial Proposals for Bargaining from Goleta Union School District to United Teaching Profession of Goleta/CTA/NEA for 2013-2014

A Public Hearing was held. There were no comments. The Board approved the Initial Proposals for Bargaining From Goleta Union School District to United Teaching Profession of Goleta/CTA/NEA for 2013-2014.

Open 8:11 p.m. Closed 8:12 p.m.

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

## 8. INFORMATION ITEMS

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

- a. Discussion Regarding Tentative Board Meeting Dates for 2014

Superintendent Banning presented to the Board for consideration two proposals for meeting dates for 2014. Board meeting dates will be decided at the December 11<sup>th</sup> Organizational Meeting.

- b. The Isla Vista Redevelopment Agency Dissolution Process

Public Comment and discussion was held during the Public Comment segment of the meeting. See above under Public Comment.

- c. Notice of Public Hearing – Initial Proposals for Bargaining from California School Employees Association (CSEA) Goleta Valley Chapter #311 to Goleta Union School District for 2013-2014

Superintendent Banning informed the Board that this item would be brought back at the November 6<sup>th</sup> meeting as an Action Item with a public hearing.

- d. First Reading of Revisions to Administrative Regulation 4161.8, 4261.8 and 4361.8: Family Care and Medical Leave

Assistant Superintendent Donna Madrigal brought this Information Item to the Board.

- e. Items for Future Agendas

## **9. SUPERINTENDENT REPORTS**

William Banning, Superintendent:

Mr. Banning visited two schools since the last meeting. He visited all classrooms at Hollister and the classrooms of temporary teachers at Isla Vista. He commented on remarkable teaching techniques and styles with students fully engaged in learning.

Mr. Banning also:

- Attended a County School Board meeting at SBCEO where Liz Barnitz presented information about strategies for student success at El Camino that led to the school achieving all State and Federal accountability benchmarks last year.
- Attended the Goleta Teen of the Year Financial Seminar.
- Attended a Partners in Education Executive Board Meeting at Santa Barbara High School in their Multimedia Arts and Design Academy.
- Held a DAC subcommittee meeting to review bylaws and plan presentation topics.
- Attended the monthly Superintendents meeting in Buellton.
- Presented safety certificates to all GUSD Bus Drivers.
- Attended a DAC meeting at El Camino School.
- Attended a screening of the film *Submit* dealing with issues of cyber bullying.
- Attended the Schools for Sound Finance meeting in Montecito.
- Attended the First Annual Cox Salute to Teachers. Amanda Sweigart was honored as Distinguished Mentor Teacher and Tyler Wilkes was honored as Distinguished New Teacher.
- Distributed an informational packet to the four Board members that are attending the CSBA Conference in December.

Donna Madrigal, Assistant Superintendent, Administrative Services:

Ms. Madrigal attended the ACSA Personnel Institute in Costa Mesa for three days.

Ms Madrigal also:

- Is moving forward with the Technology Grants that GUSD teacher's can apply for.
- Meeting with principals, discussing teacher evaluations and walking through classroom.

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

Dr. Saleh is collaborating with Dr. Shane Jimerson, from UCSB, for them to provide an efficacy study of the Implementation of Corrective Reading curriculum being utilized in Special Education.

Dr. Saleh also:

- Reported that Kate Wilson, newly hired GUSD Nurse, is being trained by current nurses Susan Perkins and Karen Neuenschwander.
- Noted that on November 1<sup>st</sup> the on-line bullying form will be on the District's website. ready for use by parents and students.
- Reported that a portable classroom will be placed on the Ellwood School campus for the severely handicapped program that will be expanded to 6<sup>th</sup> grade next year.

**10. BOARD MEMBER REPORTS**

Susan Epstein:

Ms. Epstein attended the Schools for Sound Finance meeting in Montecito. The meeting was an overview of the Local Control Funding Formula (LCFF) as it relates to Basic Aid.

Yvonne DeGraw:

Ms. DeGraw attended the Schools for Sound Finance meeting in Montecito.

Ms. DeGraw also:

- Attended the DAC meeting at El Camino School.
- Attended a panel, at Dos Pueblos High School, on student stress which was billed as a "race to nowhere".
- Helped Goleta Valley Beautiful plant a tree at Kellogg School.

Pam Kinsley:

Mrs. Kinsley attended two functions at the Bacarra. On October 9<sup>th</sup> she attended the movie *Submit* on October 12 she attended the Cox Salute to Teachers.

Ms. Kinsley also:

- Attended the Schools for Sound Finance meeting in Montecito on October 10<sup>th</sup>.
- Reminded all that the Tri County Coalition will be meeting at 10:00 a.m. on October 18 in the Board Room.

Valerie Kushnerov

Mrs. Kushnerov attended the Goleta Valley Beautiful Advisory Committee luncheon.

**11. NEXT REGULAR MEETING DATE**

Regular Meeting – Wednesday November 6, 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 28, 2013.

**12. ADJOURNMENT INTO CLOSED SESSION**

The Board adjourned into a closed session at 8:50 p.m. with Superintendent William Banning and Assistant Superintendents Donna Madrigal, 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**

The Board reconvened open session at 9:44 p.m. with nothing to report.

**14. ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING** [Motion: Pam Kinsley Second: Richard Mayer Time: 9:45 p.m.]

  
Richard Mayer, Clerk