



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

**Board of Trustees**

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

**GOLETA UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
January 15, 2014**

**1. ORGANIZATIONAL BUSINESS**

- a. Call to Order  
President Pam Kinsley 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  
Yvonne DeGraw, Clerk, led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- c. Welcome of Guests  
President Kinsley welcomed guests to the meeting.
- d. Announcement of Recorded Meeting  
President Kinsley reminded the audience that the meeting was being recorded.

**2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

The Agenda for January 15, 2014 was approved as presented.

[Motion: Valerie Kushnerov Second: Richard Mayer Yes: 5 No: 0 Abstain: 0]

**3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The December 11, 2013 minutes were approved as presented.

[Motion: Yvonne DeGraw Second: Valerie Kushnerov Yes: 5 No: 0 Abstain: 0]

**4. PUBLIC COMMENT**

There was no public comment.

**5. RECOGNITION**

- Nancy Knight was recognized by the Board for her dedicated service as the President of the Goleta Education Foundation.
- The following teachers were recognized by the Board as Distinguished Educators of the Year:  
Susan Hughes – Brandon School  
DJ Perry – El Camino School  
Amanda Sweigart – Ellwood School  
Cathy Gamboa – Foothill School  
Phoebe Ball – Hollister School  
Tracy Bowen – Kellogg School  
Laura Burrato – La Patera School  
Kellie Pearson – Mountain View School  
Margie Ryckman – Isla Vista School and GUSD Distinguished Educator of the Year

**6. BOARD DISCUSSION**

The Board reviewed a draft of five long-term strategic objectives first presented in December. They discussed priorities of goal development under each of the objectives.

**7. CONSENT ITEMS**

The Board of Trustees approved the Consent Agenda as presented.

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

[Motion: Valerie Kushnerov Second: Richard Mayer Yes: 5 No: 0 Abstain: 0]

**7. ACTION ITEMS**

The Board discussed and took action on the following items:

- a. Approval of 2014-2015 District Calendar

The District Calendar was approved as amended contingent on ratification of tentative agreements with the District by California School Employees Association and United Teaching Profession Goleta for the 2014-2015 school year.

[Motion: Valerie Kushnerov Second: Yvonne DeGraw Yes: 5 No: 0 Abstain: 0]

- b. Approval of The Fiscal Year 2012-2013 Audit Report

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

- c.. Adoption of Resolution 2014-01: Statutory School Fees Report for 2012-2013

[Motion: Richard Mayer Second: Valerie Kushnerov Yes: 5 No: 0 Abstain: 0]

- d. Public Hearing and Adoption of Resolution 2014-02: Authorizing the Use of the 2012-2013 and 2013-2014 Education Protection Account (EPA) Fund

Public Hearing opened at 8:52 p.m. and closed at 8:53 p.m. with no public comment.

[Motion: Valerie Kuserov Second: Susan Epstein Yes: 5 No: 0 Abstain: 0]

- e. Second Reading and Approval of Revised Board Policy 0500: Accountability

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

**9. INFORMATION ITEMS**

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

- a. Physical Fitness Test Report 2012-2013 School Year
- b. Quarterly Report on Williams/Valenzuela Uniform Complaints
- c. Items for Future Agendas

**10. SUPERINTENDENT REPORTS**

William Banning, Superintendent:

Superintendent Banning attended the Goleta Education Foundation meeting, which was Nancy Knight's last meeting as the President. There will be a subcommittee formed to review the mission statement and ways to extend the influence of the GEF.

Mr. Banning also reported:

- Attendance at two DAC meetings, Brandon and Ellwood, since the last Board meeting.
- Attendance at the first of two meetings with supervisors of classified employees from the Hope, Santa Barbara and Carpinteria School Districts attending. There will be a second meeting in February.
- Visiting the after school computer programming class at Ellwood School.
- Meeting with other superintendents and County Office leaders regarding the requirements for the Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP). State Board of Education wants to adopt regulations on an emergency basis, which they can amend when necessary.
- Cabinet hosting of a holiday luncheon at Mulligan's Grill.
- Completion of negotiations with CSEA for 2013-2014.
- Cabinet members have had several opportunities to visit sites and observe probationary and temporary teachers. Superintendent Banning and Assistant Superintendents Madrigal and DeVita along with principals will be determining future employment status for these teachers.
- Focus on LCAP to make sure the timelines and other requirements are met.
- Annual ACE Day will be in April or May. Mr. Banning told the Board to expect an invitation.

Ralph Pachter, Assistant Superintendent, Fiscal Services:

Mr. Pachter reported:

- Governor Brown has released his first proposal for the fiscal year 2014-15 State budget. The budget looks very positive for education.
- SELPA is moving toward a change in the base funding model and may redirect mental health services and counseling money to districts.

Elizabeth DeVita, Assistant Superintendent, Instructional Services:

Ms. DeVita reported:

- Math TOSA provided some professional development for sixth grade teachers on Math Common Core.
- Tomorrow there is a PLC meeting on the ELA Common Core Standards for teachers at each grade level.
- On February 3 there will be a Transitional Kindergarten Parent Information Night at the District Office.
- District is beginning to prepare for summer school.

Donna Madrigal, Assistant Superintendent, Administrative Services:

Ms. Madrigal reported:

- Educational Technology Grants have been awarded. Information will be presented at the next Board meeting.

## **II. BOARD MEMBER REPORTS**

Valerie Kushnerov reported:

- Attendance at the GEF meeting.

Susan Epstein reported:

- Watched Santa Barbara Unified School District's special meeting in December where they discussed various ways to implement math; different pathways and sequence relating to Common Core.

Yvonne DeGraw reported:

- Watched Santa Barbara Unified School District's special meeting in December where they discussed various ways to implement math; different pathways and sequence relating to Common Core.
- Attendance at the DAC meetings at Brandon and Ellwood.
- Accompanied the Kellogg Student Council at activities supporting Toys for Tots.
- Visited Computer Coding class at Ellwood School.
- Anticipated attendance at the upcoming Kellogg School Winter Sing.

Richard Mayer reported:

- Meeting with Superintendent Banning.

Pam Kinsley reported:

- Attendance at the CSBA County meeting on January 2 to discuss and plan for the "How to Sell Yourself" workshop on February 8.

**12. NEXT REGULAR MEETING DATE**

Regular Meeting – Wednesday, February 5, 2014 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, January 30, 2014.

**13. ADJOURNMENT INTO CLOSED SESSION**

The Board adjourned into closed session at 9:28 p.m. with Superintendent Banning and Assistant Superintendents Elizabeth DeVita, Donna Madrigal and Ralph Pachter to discuss the following:

- a. Negotiations with UTPG, CSEA and unrepresented employees (Government Code §3540)

**14. RECONVENE OPEN SESSION/REPORT FROM CLOSED SESSION**

The Board reconvened into open session at 9:42 p.m. with nothing to report

**15. ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING**

[Motion: Pam Kinsley Second: Richard Mayer Time: 9:43 p.m.]



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Yvonne DeGraw, Clerk