



GOLETA UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT
William Banning, Superintendent

Board of Trustees
Richard Mayer, President
Yvonne DeGraw, Vice President
Susan Epstein, Clerk
Valerie Kushnerov, Member
Luz Reyes-Martin, Member

**GOLETA UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING
April 9, 2014**

1. ORGANIZATIONAL BUSINESS

a. Call to Order

President Richard Mayer 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

Susan Epstein, Clerk, led the Pledge of Allegiance.

c. Welcome of Guests

President Mayer welcomed guests to the meeting.

d. Announcement of Recorded Meeting

President Mayer reminded the audience that the meeting was being recorded.

2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

The Agenda for April 9, 2014 was approved as presented.

[Motion: Yvonne DeGraw Second: Susan Epstein Yes: 4 No: 0 Abstain: 0]

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The March 19, 2014 minutes were approved as amended.

[Motion: Valerie Kushnerov Second: Yvonne DeGraw Yes: 4 No: 0 Abstain: 0]

The March 31, 2014 minutes were approved as presented.

[Motion: Valerie Kushnerov Second: Yvonne DeGraw Yes: 4 No: 0 Abstain: 0]

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

Dr. John Wright - Community

5. OATH OF OFFICE

Superintendent Banning administered the Oath of Office to Luz Reyes-Martin who was appointed by the Board of Trustees to serve the remainder of the term, expiring on December 5, 2014, that was vacated by Pam Kinsley.

6. BOARD DISCUSSION – FOCUS ON DISTRICT VISION AND GOALS

The Superintendent provided an update to the Board regarding the status of the Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP) and the District Strategic Plan.

7. CONSENT ITEMS

The Board of Trustees approved the Consent Agenda as presented.

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

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

8. ACTION ITEMS

The Board discussed and took action on the following items:

- a. Adoption of Resolution 2014-04: School Bus Driver Day

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

- b. Second Reading and Adoption of New Board Policy 0460: Local Control and Accountability Plan

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

- c. Third Reading and Adoption of New Board Policy 1325: Advertising and Promotion

Third Reading was approved as amended.

[Motion: Valerie Kushnerov Second: Luz Reyes-Martin Yes: 5 No: 0 Abstain: 0]

- d. Voter Survey for Education Technology and Deferred Maintenance Bonds

No action was taken on this item.

9. INFORMATION ITEMS

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

- a. Discussion and Potential Acquisition of the District's Maintenance, Operations and Transportation Facility Property by the City of Goleta
- b. Quarterly Report on Williams/Valenzuela Uniform Complaints
- c. Water Conservation – Save Our Water Campaign
- d. First Reading of Revised Board Policy and Deletion of Administrative Regulation 4131: Certificated Staff Development
- e. First Reading of New Board Policy 4231: Classified Staff Development
- f. First Reading of Revised Board Policy and Deletion of Administrative Regulation 4331: Administrative Staff Development
- g. Items for Future Agendas

10. SUPERINTENDENT REPORTS

William Banning, Superintendent:

Superintendent Banning attended ACSA's Legislative Day on April 6 and 7, 2014. He thanked the Board for the opportunity.

Superintendent Banning also:

- Noted that a team from the Santa Barbara County Education Office visited Isla Vista to observe Margie Ryckman, who is a finalist for County Teacher of the Year.

- Gave an update and reminder of SBCEO Teachers Network Education Celebration on May 8th.
- Reported that representatives from Montecito Bank and Trust will be at Ellwood School on April 11, along with U.S. Representative Lois Capps, to teach the students about financial literacy.

Ralph Pachter, Assistant Superintendent, Fiscal Services:

Assistant Superintendent Pachter reported that the playground zip lines were taken down at all schools due to safety concerns. The District is looking for playground equipment appropriate to replace them. The manufacturer has presented the District with options for each site, which cost between \$5,000 - \$15,000 per installation.

Mr. Pachter also:

- Reported a power outage near Mountain View School over a weekend, which caused some damage in the wiring for the heater timers. District is considering options to rewire around the timers and then remove them.

Elizabeth DeVita, Assistant Superintendent, Instructional Services:

Assistant Superintendent DeVita reported that Smarter Balanced field-testing is going well. Ms. DeVita thanked Donna Madrigal, Ralph Pachter and Jeremiah Johnson for increasing the bandwidth at each school. Computer lab specialists have been very supportive with the field testing, helping teachers and principals at each school site.

Ms. DeVita also:

- Held advisory meetings on Gifted Education with GATE Parent Advisory and Teacher Advisory on Gifted Education, gathering information to help define the District's efforts to improve services for gifted student. More information will be presented to the Board on this topic at their regular meeting on April 30th.
- Reported working with Dr. Saleh and Leadership Teams at three schools regarding Response to Intervention.
- Noted that Transitional Kindergarten teachers visited an effective model for implementation of a TK program. GUSD TK teachers will be finalizing the District's program for next school year.
- Enjoyed the opportunity to shadow Janet Seiler, School Office Manager at Isla Vista School, for ACE Day.

Donna Madrigal, Assistant Superintendent, Administrative Services:

Assistant Superintendent Madrigal attended a meeting at the Santa Barbara County Education Office where three GUSD employees were honored as County Classified Employees of the Year.

Ms. Madrigal also:

- Reported hiring a speech language pathologist and a CTE class teacher on contracts beginning next year.
- Commented on the highly positive outcomes from attending the annual CUE conference with nine teachers, two principals, Jeremiah Johnson, and Mr. Banning.
- Noted that Smarter Balanced field testing has keeping the IT Department busy with support for the school sites.
- Is preparing a Technology report for presentation at the April 30 Board Meeting.

II. BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

Yvonne DeGraw:

- Reported on her daughter's (and classmates') experience participating the Smarted Balanced Assessment Field Tests.

Richard Mayer:

- Participated in ACE Day by shadowing two instructional aides assigned to the CTE class at Ellwood School.
- Attended The American Education Research Association Annual Meeting.

Susan Epstein:

- Attended the District GATE Committee meeting.
- Offered congratulations to Board member Valerie Kushnerov for receiving the Public Information Officer of the Year Award for her work as Public Information Officer for the City of Goleta.

Valerie Kushnerov:

- Participated in Heroes for a Day program at La Patera School.

Luz Reyes-Martin:

- Attended orientation meetings with the Superintendent and each Assistant Superintendents to discuss their department operations and other areas of responsibility.

12. NEXT REGULAR MEETING DATE

Regular Meeting – Wednesday, April 30, 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, April 21, 2014.

13. ADJOURNMENT INTO CLOSED SESSION

The Board adjourned into closed session at 9:15 p.m. with Superintendent Banning and Assistant Superintendents Elizabeth DeVita, Donna Madrigal, ~~Margaret Saleh~~ and Ralph Pachter to discuss:

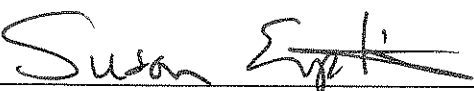
- a. Negotiations with UTPG, CSEA and unrepresented employees (Government Code §3540)

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

The Board reconvened into open session at 10:00 p.m. with nothing to report.

15. ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING

[Motion: Valerie Kushnerov Second: Yvonne DeGraw Time: 10:01 p.m.]



Susan Epstein, Clerk