



**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  
May 21, 2014**

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**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 May 21, 2014 was approved as presented.

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

**3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The April 30, 2014 minutes were approved as presented.

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

**4. PUBLIC COMMENT**

Lydia Vega – La Patera School  
Luz E. Caudillo – La Patera School  
Esmeralda Valdovinos – La Patera School

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

At this time the Board:

- a. Recognized the Classified Employee of the Year
- b. Recognized Retiring Employees
- c. Reviewed draft of the LCAP and current status of the 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. Second Reading and Approval of Revised Board Policy 2210: Administrative Discretion Regarding board Policy

- d. Second Reading and Approval to Delete Board Policy 3111: Deferred Maintenance Funds
- e. Second Reading and Approval of Revised Board Policy 7214: General Obligation Bond  
[Motion: Valerie Kushnerov Second: Yvonne DeGraw 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  
[Motion: Susan Epstein Second: Yvonne DeGraw Yes: 5 No: 0 Abstain: 0]
- b. Approval of Amendment to Superintendent's Contract  
[Motion: Richard Mayer Second: Valerie Kushnerov Yes: 5 No: 0 Abstain: 0]
- c. Second Reading and Approval of Revised Board Bylaw 9220: Governing Board Elections  
[Motion: Susan Epstein Second: Yvonne DeGraw Yes: 4 No: 0 Abstain: 1 - Richard Mayer]
- d. Resolution 2014-07: Candidates Statements  
[Motion: Yvonne DeGraw Second: Valerie Kushnerov Yes: 5 No: 0 Abstain: 0]
- e. Resolution 2014-08: Order of Election, Resolution Ordering Governing Board Member Election and Notice to Consolidate, November 4, 2014  
[Motion: Valerie Kushnerov Second: Luz Reyes-Martin Yes: 5 No: 0 Abstain: 0]
- f. Agreement with Spectrum Management Solutions for Consulting Services Related to Proposition 39: California Clean Energy Jobs Act  
[Motion: Yvonne DeGraw Second: Luz Reyes-Martin Yes: 5 No: 0 Abstain: 0]
- g. Administrative Employment of an Elementary Principal  
[Motion: Valerie Kushnerov Second: Susan Epstein Yes: 5 No: 0 Abstain: 0]
- h. Second Reading and approval of Revised Board Policy 3551: Food Service Operations/Cafeteria  
[Motion: Valerie Kushnerov Second: Susan Epstein Yes: 5 No: 0 Abstain: 0]

## **8. INFORMATION ITEMS**

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

- a. Notice of Public Hearing of the Proposed Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP)
- b. Notice of Public Hearing of the Proposed 2014-2015 Adopted Budget
- c. First Reading of the Following Revised Board Policies and Administrative Regulations: AR 1330: Use of School Facilities, BP and AR 3513.3: Tobacco Free Schools and BP and AR 5131.62: Tobacco
- d. First Reading of Revised Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 5141.21: Administering Medication and Monitoring Health Conditions
- e. First Reading of Revised Board Policy and New Administrative Regulation 5145.3: Nondiscrimination/Harassment
- f. Items for Future Agenda

## **9. SUPERINTENDENT REPORTS**

### William Banning, Superintendent:

Superintendent Banning reported on the Sheriff Department's precautionary lockdown of Isla Vista School due to suspicious activity nearby. The Blackboard Connect e-mail and phone outreach system was used to inform parents of the lockdown and that the students were safe. Parents were directed not to go to the school to pick up their child. The school and district staff did a great job, and reports from parents were positive regarding the communications.

Mr. Banning also:

- Reported that the Goleta Education Foundation has changed their mission statement to broaden their scope of influence and potentially expand funding opportunities. El Camino parent and Community Relations Manager for Venoco, Lisa Rivas, was appointed as a new GEF board member. A grant application was submitted to Venoco requesting \$12,000 to bring more science into the intervention portions of the summer learning program.
- Noted that Lisa Lisle, from Brandon School, received funding for a \$6,000.00 technology grant she submitted to the Wharton Foundation.
- Shared that he received the ACSA Leadership Matters award at the ACSA Region 13 annual awards presentation.
- Updated the Board on positive implementation of new policy regarding flyer distribution.

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

Assistant Superintendent Pachter highlighted content from the Governor's May budget revision.

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

Assistant Superintendent DeVita reported the Gifted Education Services brochure is complete. She is meeting with the fourth grade teachers to discuss direction for next year and answer questions. Letters went out to parents of all 3<sup>rd</sup> grade students with OLSAT results. All students identified as gifted learners as a result of OLSAT performance were invited to attend an informational meeting on characteristics of giftedness and GUSD services.

Ms. DeVita also:

- Reported that the Smarter Balanced field testing is complete and went well.
- Met with TK teachers to develop standards and identify supporting materials for TK. The TK teachers are also drafting a report card to use in the fall.
- Held the last PLC Math meeting for the school year.

### Donna Madrigal, Assistant Superintendent, Administrative Services:

Assistant Superintendent Madrigal reported that El Camino received a QAD grant for \$28,000.00

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

Assistant Superintendent Saleh reported on the busyness of spring activities in Special Education. Among the most important tasks are transition meetings for preschoolers moving to Kindergarten and students in sixth grade to moving to junior high.

Dr. Saleh also:

- Discussed the new requirement for families to verify residency addresses on an annual basis.
- Described the use MediCal reimbursement funds to provide more counseling services to general education students.
- Noted that a third Community Liaison will be hired for communication between school and home, dividing the workload between our nine schools.

**10. BOARD MEMBER REPORTS**

Luz Reyes Martin:

- Reported on her visit to special education classrooms at several schools with Dr. Saleh.
- Commented on her attendance at the May 9 Medical Benefits Committee meeting.

Valerie Kushnerov:

- Reported that the City of Goleta will be seeking a new City Council member to replace Council member Ed Easton, who has resigned.

Richard Mayer:

- Reported on his meeting with Assistant Superintendent DeVita to learn more about proposed changes in 4<sup>th</sup> grade services for gifted students.
- Is looking forward to participating in the exit interviews at Mountain View School next week.

Yvonne DeGraw:

- Attended a presentation for students at Kellogg School regarding a special edition of the Santa Barbara Independent that featured stories and artwork about Goleta by Kellogg students.
- Attended the opening of a time capsule commemorating the 50-year anniversary of Kellogg School.
- Attended the chalk art event at Kellogg School.
- Attended the Art Reception at the Goleta Public Library, which featured artwork from GUSD students.
- Will attend the District Advisory Committee meeting on Thursday.

**11. NEXT REGULAR MEETING DATE**

Regular Meeting – Wednesday, June 11, 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, June 2, 2014.

**12. ADJOURNMENT INTO CLOSED SESSION**

The Board adjourned into a closed session at 9:24 p.m. to discuss:

- a. Negotiations with UTPG, CSEA and unrepresented employees (Government Code §3540) with Superintendent Banning and Assistant Superintendents Elizabeth DeVita, Donna Madrigal, Margaret Saleh and Ralph Pachter.
- b. Public Employee Performance Evaluation (Government Code § 54957) with William Banning Superintendent  
Title: Superintendent

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

The Board reconvened into open session at 9:54 p.m. with nothing to report.

**14. ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING**

[Motion: Valerie Kushnerov Second: Yvonne DeGraw Time: 9:55 p.m.]

  
~~Susan Epstein, Clerk~~ *Richard Mayer, President*