



**GOLETA UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
Donna Lewis, Superintendent

**Board of Trustees**  
Carin Ezal, President  
Richard Mayer, Vice President  
Sholeh Jahangir, Clerk  
Susan Epstein, Member  
Luz Reyes-Martin, Member

September 5, 2018

## **MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING**

Jack Kramer Administration Center – Board Room  
401 North Fairview Avenue, Goleta, CA 93117

### **1. CALL TO ORDER**

Board President, Carin Ezal called the meeting to order at 3:02 pm.

### **2. ORGANIZATIONAL BUSINESS**

#### a. Call to Order

President Carin Ezal called a regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Goleta Union School District to order at 3:02 p.m., at the Jack Kramer Administration Center, 401 N. Fairview Avenue, Goleta.

b. Roll Call – Present were board members Susan Epstein, Sholeh Jahangir, Carin Ezal, and Luz Reyes-Martin. Richard Mayer was absent.

c. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Sholeh Jahangir, Clerk.

d. President Ezal welcomed guests to the meeting and reminded the audience that the meeting was being recorded.

### **3. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

The Agenda for September 5, 2018 was approved with a motion by Susan Epstein and a second by Luz Reyes-Martin. Approved by a vote of Ayes - 4, Nays – 0, Abstain – 0, Absent – 1.

### **4. PUBLIC COMMENT**

GUSD Teacher and UTPG President, Sheri Scott welcomed board and cabinet to a new school year and reported that certificated staff were pleased with the smooth opening. They also felt they were treated very professionally and the trainings were engaging with the time well spent. Ms. Scott also thanked Assistant Superintendent David Simmons, for including the union representatives in the new teacher orientation meetings. Isla Vista parents, Kelly Hildner and Vicki Ben-Yaacov, both addressed the board with their concerns of food waste, reduction of plastic, one-time use utensils and trays in school lunch programs.

### **5. BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Luz Reyes-Martin attended the flagpole ceremony at Kellogg School where she met Bailey the Bulldog. Susan Epstein attended the Santa Barbara Foundation's annual luncheon recognizing the Santa Barbara Woman and Man of the year in non-profit work. Sholeh Jahangir attended the back to school walk at Foothill School and Carin Ezal attended site visits on the first day of school with Dr. Lewis and Dr. Mayer. She also attended the Gifted Education Services parent meeting and thanked the board and cabinet for the changing of the board meeting time.

### **6. BOARD DISCUSSION – FOCUS ON DISTRICT VISION AND GOALS**

Dr. Lewis reviewed the Fall Superintendent Committee dates with the Board adding a new committee for NGSS – Next Generation Science Standards.

**7. PRESENTATION/DISCUSSION/INFORMATION ITEMS-**

- a. Facilities Update: Conrad L. Tedeschi, Assistant Superintendent, Fiscal Services, briefed the board about ongoing facilities projects and items of interest: 1) County request for disaster dumping sites update, 2) July water bills – drought surcharges, 3) Tree assessment – Safety.
- b. Overview of GUSD CAASPP Results Presentation: Mary Kahn, Assistant Superintendent of Instructional Services shared a presentation of the latest district testing results.
- c. First Reading of Revised Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 1312.3: Uniform Complaint Procedures. Dr. Margaret Saleh, Deputy Superintendent of Pupil Services, presented the revised board policy and administrative regulation 1312.3 to the board.
- d. First Reading of Revised Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 5022: Student and Family Privacy Rights. Dr. Margaret Saleh, Deputy Superintendent of Pupil Services, presented the revised board policy and administrative regulation 5022 to the board.

**7. ACTION ITEMS**

The Board discussed and took action on the following items:

- a. Approval of Award of RFP for Modernization – District-wide Phone System. Motion to approve the award of RFP for a new phone system was made by Susan Epstein and seconded by Sholeh Jahangir. The motion passes by a vote of Ayes - 4, Nays – 0, Abstain – 0, Absent – 1.
- b. Adoption of Resolution 2018-16: The 2017-2018 and 2018-2019 Gann Limit. Motion to approve Resolution 2018-16 was made by Luz Reyes-Martin and seconded by Sholeh Jahangir. The motion passes by a vote of Ayes - 4, Nays – 0, Abstain – 0, Absent – 1.
- c. Approval of the 2017-2018 Unaudited Actuals Financial Statements. Motion to approve the Unaudited Actuals Financial Statements was made by Sholeh Jahangir and seconded by Luz Reyes-Martin. The motion passes by a vote of Ayes - 4, Nays – 0, Abstain – 0, Absent – 1.
- d. Approval of Memorandum of Understanding with Explore Ecology to Provide Garden Education Programs at All Schools. Motion to approve the Memorandum of Understanding with Explore Ecology was made by Susan Epstein and seconded by Sholeh Jahangir. The motion passes by a vote of Ayes - 4, Nays – 0, Abstain – 0, Absent – 1.
- e. Approval of Reclassification of Job Description: Library Media Specialist (LMS). Motion to approve the reclassification of job description for Library Media Specialists was made by Susan Epstein and seconded by Sholeh Jahangir. The motion passes by a vote of Ayes - 4, Nays – 0, Abstain – 0, Absent – 1.
- f. Approval of Memorandum of Understanding with United Parents - Padres Unidos and Goleta Union School District for Spanish Language Parent Education Programs. Motion to approve the Memorandum of Understanding was made by Susan Epstein and seconded by Sholeh Jahangir. The motion passes by a vote of Ayes - 4, Nays – 0, Abstain – 0, Absent – 1.
- g. Approval of Memorandum of Understanding, Santa Barbara County Education Office/Child Development Programs, Health Linkages Program and Goleta Union School District 2017-2018. Motion to approve the Memorandum of Understanding with Santa Barbara County Education Office/Child Development Programs was made by Luz Reyes-Martin and seconded by Susan Epstein. The motion passes by a vote of Ayes - 4, Nays – 0, Abstain – 0, Absent – 1.
- h. Public Hearing and Adoption of Resolution 2018-17: Certification of Sufficiency of Instructional Materials. Hearing open at 5:11 pm closed at 5:12 pm. Motion to approve Resolution 2018-17 was made by Sholeh Jahangir and seconded by Luz Reyes-Martin. The motion passes by a vote of Ayes - 4, Nays – 0, Abstain – 0, Absent – 1.

## **8. CONSENT ITEMS**

- a. Routine Personnel Action Report
- b. Minutes for Regular Board Meeting, August 15, 2018
- c. Payment of Claims

Motion to approve the consent items was made by Susan Epstein and seconded by Sholeh Jahangir. The Motion passes by a vote of Ayes - 4, Nays – 0, Abstain – 0, Absent – 1.

## **9. SUPERINTENDENT REPORTS**

Donna Lewis, Superintendent:

- Reviewed future board agenda topics
- Mentioned the calendaring of possible board workshops.
- Reported that we have gained 17 students compared to the first day of school last year.
- Thanked staff for getting schools ready for students return.
- Shared that she toured every school on the first day with Board President, Carin Ezal, and Board Vice-President, Dr. Mayer.
- Reported that all nine schools will have Back to School Night on Thursday, September 13.
- Reminded everyone of the Lemon Run Fundraiser on Sunday, September 23.
- Thanked Jeremiah Johnson and Maureen Ray for rolling out the new database system, Synergy, with our staff.

Dr. Margaret Saleh, Deputy Superintendent, Pupil Services:

- Reviewed new staffing numbers for trainings.
- Updated the progress on the Learning Tree playground renovation.
- Shared that transfer requests will be decided on staffing day, Friday, September 7.
- Attended the first of seven months of training for Judge of Teen Court.
- Stated that she has visited all school sites over two days.

Conrad Tedeschi, Assistant Superintendent, Fiscal Services:

- Shared that the Fiscal department closed the books.
- Reported that a water main broke at Ellwood School yesterday, the water was shut off most of the day and Marborg provided temporary restrooms.

David Simmons, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources:

- Shared that his department has been busy with new and returning staffing for the year and are still recruiting for more open positions. (16 Certificated and 48 Classified)

Mary Kahn, Assistant Superintendent, Instructional Services:

- Held the initial professional learning set of modules for teachers.
- Provided Synergy training, a Differentiation refresher for 2<sup>nd</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> grades, a Tech refresher for K/1 and a refresher on English Language Development.
- Presented a module on professional learning communities with the goal of aligning our work across sites.
- Announced that the first district professional development day is tomorrow with Site leaders working on goals.
- Stated that she has been working closely with our 3 new principals.
- Shared that she has been working with Jeremiah and Maureen to roll out Synergy.
- Reported that her department has worked very hard to provide textbooks and materials.
- Mentioned that Library Media Specialists had the first of three days of professional development with Matt Zuchowicz from SBCEO.

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- Expressed that the @Afterschool Coordinator is doing well. She is working on capacity building and working with her site leads and assistants. She has reported that we now have 3 staff at each site, and will possibly add El Camino as they are showing parent interest.
- Attended the first Gifted Services Parent Advisory Committee meeting.

#### **10. BOARD MEMBER REPORTS**

Luz Reyes-Martin:

- Discussed possible Southern California Edison shutdowns.

Susan Epstein:

- Explained that solar energy could run a back-up system.

Sholeh Jahangir:

- Shared that she logged on to the Synergy Parent Vue and felt it was user friendly.
- Mentioned that she feels good energy at the schools, great start to the year.

Richard Mayer:

- Absent.

Carin Ezal:

- No report.

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

Regular Meeting – Wednesday, September 26, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.  
Jack Kramer Administration Center Board Room  
401 N. Fairview Avenue, Goleta, CA 93117

#### **12. ADJOURNMENT INTO CLOSED SESSION AT 5:37 P.M.**

The Board met with Dr. Donna Lewis, Superintendent and Cabinet members, in a closed session to discuss the following:

- a. Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release (Government Code §54957)
- b. Negotiations (Government Code §54957.6)

#### **13. RECONVENE OPEN SESSION/REPORT FROM CLOSED SESSION AT 6:10 P.M.**

The board reconvened with no report.

#### **14. ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING**

Motion to adjourn was made by Luz Reyes-Martin and seconded by Sholeh Jahangir.

The Motion passes by a vote of Ayes - 4, Nays – 0, Abstain – 0, Absent – 1, Time: 6:11 pm

  
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Sholeh Jahangir, Clerk