

GARVEY SCHOOL DISTRICT
Rosemead, California

Minutes of Regular Meeting
October 30, 2014

The Garvey Board of Education met in regular session on October 30, 2014, at the Education Center, 2730 N. Del Mar Ave., Rosemead, California.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:04 p.m., by Board President Bob Bruesch.

ROLL CALL

Present at the meeting were Mr. Bob Bruesch, Ms. M. Janet Chin (arrived at 7:30 p.m.), Ms. Maureen Chin, Mr. Henry Lo, Mr. Ronald Trabanino, Interim Superintendent Virginia Peterson, and Interim Superintendent Dolores Preciado.

Also in attendance were Mr. Genaro Alarcon, Mr. Robert McEntire, and Ms. Maria De La Cruz.

VISITORS PRESENT

Present as visitors were the persons listed on the attached Register of Attendance who signed the register and whose signatures were legible and are hereby made an official part of these minutes.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

Ken Tang led the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

Bob Bruesch acknowledged the special guests: Board Member Joanne Russell and Superintendent Dr. Laura Tellez from the Alhambra Unified School District; Vice Mayor Jason Pu from San Gabriel City; Councilmember Ching Ho Liao from San Gabriel City; Board Member John Quintanilla from the Rosemead School District; and earlier in the evening, Mayor Pro Tem Margaret Clark from Rosemead City.

RECOGNITIONS: None

COMMUNICATIONS/REPORTS FROM THE BOARD AND SUPERINTENDENT

• **Student Presentation – Temple Intermediate School**

Principal Dr. Steve Suttle, Teacher Richard Alvarez and several students from Temple Intermediate School made Power Point presentations on the Common Core Standards and the *7 Habits of Highly Effective People* as they relate to the students' lives.

Bob Bruesch thanked the Panda Restaurant Group as our corporate sponsor in providing teacher and staff training to each of the schools on Stephen Covey's *7 Habits of Highly Effective People*.

Teacher George Woo and two former students from Temple Intermediate spoke on their experience with the Early Entrance College Program that seeks the academically and highly gifted students who would be ready for the challenging college work. The program is partly funded with public funds and fundraising efforts. Bob Bruesch commended the program that is well aligned with the teaching model of the Common Core Standards.

REPORT FROM UNION REPRESENTATIVES

- **Garvey Education Association (GEA)**

Ken Tang, Treasurer of GEA, addressed the Board and welcomed Anita Chu as newly appointed Superintendent. Mr. Tang invited everyone to stop at the GEA Office to celebrate the new leadership of the District on November 3, 2014, and to conduct phone banking in support of Tom Torlakson as State Superintendent.

- **California School Employees Association (CSEA):** None

REPORTS FROM DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVES

- **Garvey Council PTA**

Joyce Tamanaha-Ho, president of Garvey Council PTA, addressed the Board regarding the recent 1st District Superintendents Conference held last Monday which covered the topics of liability for PTA's insurance rules and finding ways to get more parents informed about and provide input on Common Core, LCFF, and LCAP.

Ms. Tamanaha-Ho stated that November 1, 2014 is the last day for the PTA membership drive; the cost to join all units is \$86. The PTA units are in the process of preparing forms for IRS compliance and working to update the PTA bylaws for all units. Ms. Tamanaha-Ho welcomed the new Superintendent Anita Chu and invited everyone to the PTA meeting on the 3rd Wednesday of every month at 3:15 p.m. in the Parent Center. The next PTA meeting will be on November 19, 2014. The 1st District PTA will be holding a holiday luncheon on December 8, 2014. Ms. Tamanaha-Ho stated that PTA is taking a neutral position in Proposition 2-Rainy Day Budget Stabilization.

- **SELPA Community Advisory Committee (CAC)**

Ariadna Banuelos, SELPA Community Advisory Committee (CAC) Chair, addressed the Board regarding the CAC meeting of October 20, 2014. While the Committee did not have a quorum to discuss regular business, a presentation was given by David Burnstein relating services to children with special needs. Ms. Banuelos stated the Committee will be doing some fundraising for Christmas gifts of toys, blankets, and children's clothes. The Committee also had a brief summary of SELPA activities from SELPA Director Jacqueline Williams. In addition, Martha Anchondo from a team of advocates spoke about the Individualized Education Program (IEP) process. A representative from the State, Gina Plate, gave information about the different State initiatives and accountability related to LCAP funding and the restructuring of funds for general education and special education. Ms. Banuelos indicated that a brochure is being prepared in three languages that will address issues of special education and that a binder is being prepared with the most current information and resources available regarding special education.

Bob Bruesch asked for the possibility of having a presentation to the Board by the SELPA Director sometime in the next few months.

REPORT FROM HEAD START REPRESENTATIVE

Carolyn Wong, Director of Head Start/Preschool Services, addressed the Board regarding the unannounced classroom visits in anticipation of the visit from the Office of Head Start regarding environmental health and safety. In November, the funding application will be prepared for the State through the L.A. County Office of Education.

Ms. Wong indicated that on October 20, 2014, a visit was made on enrollment and program improvement, as well as planning for the 2015-16 school year. On October 15, 2014, the Head Start Policy Committee elected new officers and will be selecting a new Board liaison at the meeting of November 19, 2014. Ms. Wong talked about a well-received staff development session regarding team building and curriculum and instruction activities for teachers.

REPORTS AND INFORMATION

- A. Robert McEntire made a presentation on Long Term Asset Strategy regarding a common baseline and future recommendations that require Board input on major policy issues regarding this matter.

Mr. McEntire stated that the Board has had various discussions addressing the facility use and developer fees and that discussion is needed on the use of long-term assets and of excess land. Mr. McEntire spoke of several proposals that have been received from Rosemead City, San Gabriel City, and private organizations who have submitted unsolicited proposals for the use of District property. These proposals would involve the sale or lease with legal terms which may require a Surplus Property Committee and tracking information on funds being paid back over a long period of time. Other proposals would involve joint use and partnership ventures with different legal terms.

Mr. McEntire spoke of a recommendation to hold a Board study session after the next Board meeting. The purpose is to allow administration to engage a real property advisor with real estate expertise to examine and handle assets transactions.

Janet Chin moved, Bob Bruesch seconded, and the motion carried by a vote of 5 to 0, to review a contract on November 20, 2014 of a real property advisor and to hold a study session shortly after regarding long term assets management.

Vote:	Bob Bruesch	Yes
	Janet Chin	Yes
	Maureen Chin	Yes
	Henry Lo	Yes
	Ronald Trabanino	Yes

HEARING OF PERSONS IN THE AUDIENCE

Velia Navarro addressed the Board regarding a concern for her niece attending Rice School. Ms. Navarro stated her niece's classroom has had a substitute teacher for many weeks. Ms. Navarro spoke about the need for her niece to have an Individualized Education Program (IEP) for her vision problems as she would need to seek services from the Braille Institute. Ms. Navarro stated there are rumors at Rice School that last year there was a child molester in the area, and that if in fact this was true, parents had not been informed of the situation.

Ted Saulino addressed the Board thanking the two Interim Superintendents, Virginia Peterson and Dolores Preciado for their many accomplishments in a short period of time. Mr. Saulino spoke of the need for healing in the District and to continue moving forward. Mr. Saulino spoke of the uses of school property and taxpayers expectations in the community.

William Kuo addressed the Board asking that the Board allow the Midpath Academy to continue using Duff School. The program has started to look for space elsewhere but parents enrolled in the program would like to continue to pursue the Duff site for the program.

CONSENT AGENDA

On the motion of Henry Lo, seconded by Maureen Chin, and carried by a vote of 5 to 0, the Board approved the Consent Agenda as indicated below.

Vote: Bob Bruesch Yes
 Janet Chin Yes
 Maureen Chin Yes
 Henry Lo Yes
 Ronald Trabanino Yes

A. Board/Superintendent

1. Approval of Minutes

Special Meeting – October 6, 2014
Special Meeting – October 2, 2014
Special Meeting – September 29, 2014
Special Meeting – September 25, 2014
Special Meeting – September 24, 2014
Approved.

2. Conference/Convention Attendance

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve requests for conference and convention attendance as presented. Approved.

3. Resolution 14-15-09 Native American History Month

It is recommended that the Board of Education adopt Resolution No. 14-15-09 recognizing November as Native American History Month in the Garvey School District. Approved.

B. Human Resources

1. Personnel Assignment Order

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the Personnel Assignment Report No. 14-15-06 as presented. Approved.

2. Computer Support Technician

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve CSEA Job Description for Computer Support Technician-Range 12. Approved.

3. Director II, Learning Support Services

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the revision of Certificated Management Assistant Superintendent, Instructional Services Job Description to Director II, Learning Support Services Job Description. Approved.

C. Learning Support Services

1. Budget Adjustment Request (BAR)/Request for Advance Approval (RAA) of LACOE SPS One Time Funding

It is recommended that the Garvey Board of Education approve the Budget Adjustment Request/Request (BAR)/Request for Advance Approval (RAA) for LACOE SPS One-Time Funding. Approved.

D. Student Support Services

1. Approve Contract with Community Matters

It is recommended that the Garvey Board of Education approve a contract with Community Matters, a Safe School Ambassador Anti-Bullying Program for Richard Garvey Intermediate School students and staff on the following dates: December 4, 5, 2014 and January 9, 2015, at a cost of \$8,280.00 to be paid by Title I Program Funds. Approved.

E. Business Services

1. Purchase Order Report 14-15-05
It is recommended that the Board of Education approve Purchase Order Report 14-15-05.
Approved.
2. Approve Contract with Los Angeles County Office of Education
It is recommended that the Board of Education approve amended contract with Los Angeles County Office of Education (LACOE) for use of the PeopleSoft Financial System for the 2014-15 fiscal year. The cost of the amended contract is \$35,200. Approved.
3. Approve Contract with Dolinka Group
It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the contract with Dolinka Group for the preparation of the Justification Study required to collect the maximum statutory school fees. The cost of the contract will not exceed \$3,400 and will be paid from Capital Facilities (Developer Fees) Funds. Approved.
4. Approve Contract with PacificWest Energy Solutions
It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the contract with PacificWest Energy Solutions to conduct the District-wide ASHRAE II Energy Audit and write the five year Expenditure Plan per the Proposition 39 Regulations. Approved.

ACTION ITEMS

- A. Discuss & Decide Termination Date for MidPath Academy
It is recommended that the Board of Education discuss and decide an appropriate termination date for MidPath Academy's Facilities User Agreement.

Ted Saulino addressed the Board regarding the District and the Board's responsibility to educate students. He stated that the after school programs are above and beyond and not the main concern of the Board of Education. Ms. Saulino spoke in opposition to continue the rental agreement with the MidPath Academy.

The Board held a discussion regarding the termination of the rental agreement with the MidPath Academy and to determine a fair date of determination. Virginia Peterson noted a recent incident of an unsafe condition involving a student enrolled in the MidPath Academy. Robert McEntire spoke of recent legal counsel advice on situations that would incur a legal liability for the District.

Ronald Trabanino moved, Maureen Chin seconded, to terminate the rental agreement with MidPath Academy effective December 19, 2014.

Henry Lo made a substitute motion to terminate the agreement effective January 5, 2015.

Ronald Trabanino withdrew his motion.

Henry Lo moved, Bob Bruesch seconded, and the motion carried by a vote of 4-0-1, to terminate the rental agreement for MidPath Academy effective sixty-six (66) days from today.

Vote:	Bob Bruesch	Yes
	Janet Chin	Abstained
	Maureen Chin	Yes
	Henry Lo	Yes
	Ronald Trabanino	Yes

Board members continued to discuss the importance of not setting a precedent on the approval of after-school programs for facility use. These programs would need to serve the community and the Board needs to maintain the district property as mandated by the taxpayers.

Bob Bruesch read aloud and handed out to Board members his views on several factors to consider when the Board makes an analysis on the after-school programs and activities related to District property rentals.

Motion to Extend the Board Meeting

On the motion of Henry Lo, seconded by Maureen Chin and carried by a vote of 5 to 0, the Board extended the Board meeting to 10:00 p.m.

Vote:	Bob Bruesch	Yes
	Janet Chin	Yes
	Maureen Chin	Yes
	Henry Lo	Yes
	Ronald Trabanino	Yes

B. Superintendent's Contract

On the motion of Henry Lo, seconded by Maureen Chin, and carried by a vote of 5 to 0, the Board approved the Superintendent's Contract as presented.

Vote:	Bob Bruesch	Yes
	Janet Chin	Yes
	Maureen Chin	Yes
	Henry Lo	Yes
	Ronald Trabanino	Yes

C. Public Hearing on Sufficiency of Instructional Materials

A public hearing opened at 9:02 p.m., regarding the sufficiency of instructional materials. The hearing closed at 9:03 p.m. There were no speakers.

D. Resolution No. 14-15-08 Regarding Sufficiency of Instructional Materials

On the motion of Henry Lo, seconded by Maureen Chin, and carried by a vote of 5 to 0, the Board adopted Resolution No. 14-15-08 verifying compliance with the requirements of Education Code Section 60119 on the sufficiency of instructional materials in core subjects for all students that are aligned to the academic content standards.

Vote:	Bob Bruesch	Yes
	Janet Chin	Yes
	Maureen Chin	Yes
	Henry Lo	Yes
	Ronald Trabanino	Yes

E. Approve Resolution for 2014 Bond Refunding

On the motion of Henry Lo, seconded by Ronald Trabanino, and carried by a vote of 5 to 0, the Board adopted a resolution approving the forms of: Preliminary Official Statement, Purchase Contract and Escrow Agreement, in connection with the issuance of 2014 General Obligation Refunding Bonds.

Vote:	Bob Bruesch	Yes
	Janet Chin	Yes
	Maureen Chin	Yes
	Henry Lo	Yes
	Ronald Trabanino	Yes

PUBLIC AGENDA ITEMS:

A. Facility Use Request – iLearn

It is recommended that the Board of Education consider the approval of iLearn Center's request to be classified as Category II under the updated Facility User Fee Structure.

Ted Saulino addressed the Board regarding the Board policy of charges under Category II and keeping classrooms open with no impact on the taxpayer. He indicated that lowering the cost of facility users would be a subsidy to the agency running the after school program.

Henry Lo moved, Janet Chin seconded to approve Public Agenda Item A.

The Board discussed making the Board considerations on a case-by-case basis and whether the Board policy needs further review by the Board to ensure there is no loss of money to the District. Henry Lo noted the importance of ensuring that all parents benefit from these programs without targeting students of a single ethnicity.

The motion carried by a vote of 3-1-1.

Vote:	Bob Bruesch	Abstained
	Janet Chin	Yes
	Maureen Chin	Yes
	Henry Lo	Yes
	Ronald Trabanino	No

B. Facility Use Request – MidPath (Class 2)

It is recommended that the Board of Education consider the approval of MidPath Academy's request to be classified as Category II under the updated Facility User Fee Structure.

Janet Chin moved to approve Public Agenda Item B, at the rate of Category II for eight (8) months. The motion failed for lack of a second.

The Board took no action on this item due to the termination agreement approved earlier.

OTHER ITEMS OF INTEREST TO THE BOARD

Janet Chin gave an update of today's meeting of the Los Angeles County School Trustees Association. The Bylaws were reviewed and approved which reflect more involvement from the L.A. County Superintendent. Other revisions included four LACSTA general meetings a year. The Board received copies of the revised bylaws.

Janet Chin asked about the possibility of scheduling a Board retreat by visiting several schools.

The Board gave consensus to bring back for discussion the facility rental policy after the first of the year in 2015.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD FOR CLOSED SESSION AGENDA ITEMS: None

MOTION TO GO INTO CLOSED SESSION

On the motion of Janet Chin, seconded by Maureen Chin, and carried by a vote of 5 to 0, the Board adjourned at 9:40 p.m. to closed session and addressed those items posted on the agenda.

RECONVENE INTO PUBLIC SESSION

The Board reconvened in public at 9:57 p.m.

REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION

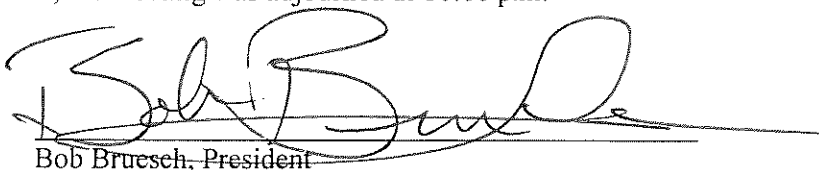
Bob Bruesch indicated there was no reportable action taken during the closed session.

The following are future Board meetings and agenda topics. Public session will begin at 6:30 p.m., and closed session to begin at 7:00 p.m.


Meeting Date	Agenda Topic
November 20, 2014	
December 11, 2014	

ADJOURNMENT

The Board adjourned the meeting in memory of Concepcion Hernandez, mother of Rene Hernandez, Director of Student Services. There being no additional items, the meeting was adjourned at 10:00 p.m.



Bob Bruesch, President



for Dolores Preciado or Virginia Peterson, Interim Secretary

**REGISTER OF ATTENDANCE AT GARVEY SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING**

Ariadna Banelos
Gloria Lopez
Ted Saulino
Anthony Tang
Ken Tang