

GRANADA HILLS CHARTER HIGH SCHOOL

Meeting of the Governing Board

June 29, 2015

8:30 a.m.

Special Programs Conference Room

Minutes

In Attendance:

Brian Bauer, Executive Director (non-voting)
Steve Bourgouin, Retired Teacher
Lorene Dixon, At Large Member

Joan Lewis, At Large Member
Jim Salin, At Large Member (Chair)

By Teleconference at 498 Park Ave., Balboa Island, CA: Sonja Brown, Parent Member

Absent: Jody Dunlap, At Large Member
Leila Vickers, At Large Member

The meeting was called to order at 8:31 a.m. Jim Salin led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chief Business Officer's Report (Eugene Straub)

- **Action Item #1** – Approval/Adoption of Preliminary 2015-16 Budget. Mr. Straub presented the recommended budget for the 2015-16 academic year, based on the signed budget agreement between the Governor and the Legislature. This budget was developed and revised alongside the Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP) which is also on the agenda for approval today. The budget report contained a revenue and expense overview, including the projected escalation of the employer contribution rates for both STRS and PERS over the next five years, and the projected reduced annual increases in LCFF (Local Control Funding Formula) funding. This combination of higher retirement rates and lower revenue growth may lead to a scenario where we will be forced to make cuts to the non-personnel portion of the budget if other revenue enhancements are not identified. In addition, the elimination of one-time funding after 2015-16 will put further pressure on the overall budget as total revenue growth flattens and personnel-related costs continue to increase. The current projections are presented without any salary enhancement assumptions but do include step/column and salary range growth for current staff. There was a further discussion about the expiration of Proposition 30 and the potential negative impact on school funding if the State economy is unable to sustain the revenues provided by these temporary tax increases.

Steve Bourgouin made a motion to approve the 2015-16 Preliminary Budget. Joan Lewis seconded the motion. Unanimously approved with the following votes:

Steve Bourgouin	Yes	Lorene Dixon	Yes	Joan Lewis	Yes	Leila Vickers	Absent
Sonja Brown	Yes	Jody Dunlap	Absent	Jim Salin	Yes		

- **Action Item #2** –Proposition 30 requires all districts, counties, and charter schools to report on their websites an accounting of how much money was received from the Education Protection Account (EPA) that was created to receive the revenues of this tax increase. It also requires that the use of EPA funds be determined by the governing board at an open public meeting. Since the expenditure for classroom teacher salaries and employee benefits is a major part of our school budget, Mr. Straub is recommending that the EPA funding for 2015-16 be spent in this manner and that a prorated share of our classroom teacher salaries and employee benefits expenditures be transferred to the EPA account throughout the year.

Lorene Dixon made a motion to allocate the 2015-16 EPA funds to teacher salaries and employee benefits. Steve Bourgouin seconded the motion. Unanimously approved with the following votes:

- Common Core Expenditure Report – Mr. Straub informed the Board that all of the 2014-15 Common Core monies have been expended in accordance with the Board-approved plan for technology needs including student Chromebooks, professional development for staff and upgrades to the system.

Executive Director’s Report – Brian Bauer

- **Action Item #3** –GHCHS has regularly worked on reviewing the Local Control and Accountability Plan during staff and committee meetings as well as informational sessions held with a variety of community and parent groups including the ELAC and Parent Advisory Committees. Community outreach that has taken place throughout the 2014-15 school year has ensured that all stakeholders have had the opportunity to learn about the LCAP and provide input and feedback during the development of the Plan. The GHCHS Governing Board has received School Site Council (SSC) updates through the process at numerous Board meetings, including a thorough briefing during its June 15 meeting that included recommended priorities from the SSC.
- Section 1 of the plan details the events and corresponding dates when the LCAP was presented and discussed; Section 2 describes the goals, actions, expenditures and progress indicators that the school is seeking over the course of the three years covered by the plan; Section 3 describes the use of supplemental and concentration funding and estimates the level of additional funding anticipated from the Local Control Funding Formula (LCFF) from these sources.

Steve Bourgouin made a motion to approve the 2015-16 Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP). Lorene Dixon seconded the motion. Unanimously approved with the following votes:

Steve Bourgouin	Yes		Lorene Dixon	Yes		Joan Lewis	Yes		Leila Vickers	Absent
Sonja Brown	Yes		Jody Dunlap	Absent		Jim Salin	Yes			

Meeting adjourned to closed session at 8:59 a.m.

Meeting reopened to public session at 9:15 a.m.

Action Item #4 – Board Approval and Ratification of Executive Director Employment Agreement – July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2018. **Steve Bourgouin made a motion to approve. Lorene Dixon seconded the motion. Unanimously approved with the following votes:**

Steve Bourgouin	Yes		Lorene Dixon	Yes		Joan Lewis	Yes		Leila Vickers	Absent
Sonja Brown	Yes		Jody Dunlap	Absent		Jim Salin	Yes			

Meeting adjourned at 9:16 a.m.