

GARVEY SCHOOL DISTRICT
Rosemead, California

Minutes of Special Meeting
August 4, 2010

The Garvey School Board of Education met in special session on August 4, 2010, at the Education Center, Rosemead, California.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Board President M. Janet Chin.

ROLL CALL

Present at the meeting were Mr. Bob Bruesch, Ms. M. Janet Chin, Mr. Henry Lo, Mr. Tony Ramos (arrived at 6:39 p.m.), Mr. John Yuen (arrived at 6:36 p.m.), and Interim Superintendent Dolores Preciado.

Also in attendance were Mr. Genaro Alarcon, Ms. Anita Chu, Mr. Michael Coughlin, 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 which is hereby made an official part of these minutes.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

Alhambra Board Member Chester Chow led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD FOR CLOSED SESSION AGENDA ITEMS

Dolores Preciado thanked the Board for the opportunity to serve as Interim Superintendent, and she thanked Cabinet members, District staff, and both union representatives for the support during this transition. Ms. Preciado listed the recent accomplishments: 1) A balanced budget, 2) electronic Board agendas available online, 3) a cohesive management team through the work of Facilities staff and, 4) expansion of the Stephen Covey's 7 Habits program to intermediate schools. Ms. Preciado stated that the District is ready to ensure success in providing the best services to students and their families, and that the new Superintendent is welcome and that there will be continued support.

Board members expressed their appreciation to Ms. Preciado for the smooth transition and professionalism in working together as a team, especially on the efforts to maintain optimum service for the students and avoiding a lot of litigation costs.

Janet Chin thanked everyone for helping through this process that can very intense and stressful. Ms. Chin thanked union leaders for their input and support throughout the entire process of selecting the new superintendent. Ms. Chin presented thank you letters to both union representatives.

MOTION TO GO INTO CLOSED SESSION

On the motion of Bob Bruesch, seconded by Henry Lo, and carried by a vote of 4 to 0 (Tony Ramos not present for the vote), the Board voted to adjourn to a closed session and address those items on the agenda.

RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION

The Board adjourned to closed session at 6:38 p.m.

RECONVENET INTO PUBLIC SESSION

The Board reconvened in closed session at 6:56 p.m.

REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION

Janet Chin reported the following report of action:

On the motion of Bob Bruesch, seconded by Tony Ramos, and carried by a vote of 5 to 0, the Board made a decision to hire Dr. Sandra D. Johnson as Superintendent of Garvey School District pending contract approval.

Tony Ramos commented on the entire interview process of a thorough evaluation for each of the Superintendent applicants. Henry Lo stated he is looking forward to working with Dr. Johnson and Board Members together as a team, including District staff, teachers, and that everyone continues to do an outstanding work. Bob Bruesch expressed his hope for a bright future. John Yuen noted that a lot of time was spent in setting criteria for the recruitment process; he encouraged the Board, Cabinet members, and union representatives to continue to support the work of teachers and students. Janet Chin acknowledged that this has been a full process in consultation with Superintendent Emeritus Virginia Peterson and District leaders, such as Ms. Preciado and Cabinet members. Ms. Chin welcomed Dr. Johnson and stated that she looks forward for the continued growth of the District.

Dr. Sandra Johnson noted that this has been a wonderful process. She is hoping to get to know all about the District and she is looking forward to working together with staff in the near future.

OTHER ITEMS OF INTEREST TO THE BOARD

Janet Chin commented on the community night recently held at the Rosemead Public Safety Center. Block captains were recognized.


Henry Lo indicated that the California Common Standards were adopted today. Dr. Johnson was asked to obtain a copy of these standards for the Board to review.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

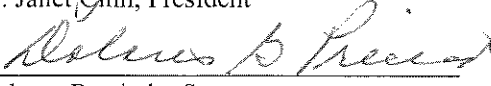
The next regular meeting will be on Thursday, August 19, 2010, at the Education Center. Closed session will begin at 6:00 p.m. with public session to begin at 6:30 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no additional items to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 7:04 p.m.



M. Janet Chin, President



Dolores Preciado, Secretary

**REGISTER OF ATTENDANCE AT GARVEY SCHOOL DISTRICT
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Cathie Camacho

Chester Chau

Michael Drange

Pat Kasababian

Becky Lam

Jessica Lu

Les Nakasaki

Connie Ng

Alicia Saulino

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