



**Global Education Collaborative
BOARD OF DIRECTORS -BOARD MEETING AGENDA**

Tuesday, September 27, 2016 - 5:30 PM - MINUTES

The meeting will be held at:
Global Education Academy Middle School
1374 W. 35th St. Los Angeles, CA 90007

1-888-296-6500 (Dial In #), Guest Code: 193391

Teleconference from:
1515 Hillside Dr. Glendale 91208
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1. Call to Order and Attendance

Meeting is called to order at ___5:40pm_____

Board Members

	Present	Absent	
Stu Bernstein	___X___		
Daniel Choi	___X___	(departed 7:10pm)	___
Rickey Jones	___X___		
Chin Kim		___X___	
Magaly Lavadenz	___X___	(joined 7:15pm)	___
Yen Ma-Chan	___X___		
Shelley Miller	___X___		
Emilio Pack		___X___	
Marsha Thomas		___X___	
Dennis Wang	___X___		
Marion Wong	___X___		

Staff

Sally Chou, GEC Executive Director	___X___	
Arturo Garcia, Jr., GEC Dir of Operations	___X___	
Francisco Contreras, Business Manager	___X___	
Craig Merrill, GEA Principal	___X___	
Rosalind Mickels-Miller, GEAMS Principal	___X___	
David Warken, GEA 2 Principal	___X___	

2. Approval of the Agenda

S. Miller moves to approve agenda. Y. Ma-Chan seconds.

S. Bernstein	D. Choi	R. Jones	C. Kim	M. Lavadenz	Y. Ma-Chan	S. Miller	E. Pack	M. Thomas	D. Wang	M. Wong
Not Present	Yes	Yes	Not Present	Not Present	Yes	Yes	Not Present	Not Present	Yes	Yes

3. Public Comments

COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR - At this time any person wishing to speak to any item not on the agenda will be granted three minutes to make a presentation to the Board of Directors.

COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS - Any person wishing to speak to any item on the agenda will be granted five minutes to make a presentation before the board begins its deliberations or takes action on the item.

C. Shin - 2nd grade teacher at GEA. Provided Board with a negotiation update mentioning UTLA's latest proposal is 2% retroactive to July 1st, with a .5% increase on January 1st, and another .5% increase on April 1st. Mentioned goal is to get to salary parity with other local school districts. Understands that enrollment is a concern and believes the latest UTLA proposal is aligned with keeping the organization healthy. Wants board to take the extra step to prevent teacher turnover.

R. Arredondo - 3rd grade teacher at GEA. Mentioned every time the board has had a request for teachers, they have met and exceeded those expectations. The teachers acknowledge the budget concerns, but also wants the board to acknowledge the teachers concerns.

M. White - ELD teacher at GEAMS. Mentioned it is her 3rd year at GEAMS, and that the 1st year was very chaotic. She feels the school is now more stable. She credits Mrs. Mickels-Miller for building and creating a structured environment at GEAMS. Mentioned students who have checked out are calling about returning to GEAMS. GEAMS needs a strong staff, and students ask if the teachers are staying. Teachers want to know that the Board has their back.

O. Tapia - 4th grade teacher at GEA. Presented the Board with signed petitions from parents and teaching staff. Mentioned 120 parents signed petition and are tired of staff turnover. Goal is to be fair and equitable with main competitors, LAUSD. Wants Board to act to prevent teacher turnover next year.

F. Cendejas - UTLA Rep. Knows there are different working conditions, and knows there are other gaps, retirement and health care benefits, etc. Focus though is on salary equity. Mentioned full agreement will expire at end of year. Goal is to reach equity on salary so it is not a concern later.

4. CLOSED SESSION

With respect to every item of business to be discussed in closed session pursuant to Section 54957:

1. Conference with Labor Negotiator

Agency Negotiator: Sally Chou, Executive Director
Craig Merrill, Principal
Arturo Garcia, Director of Operations
Roger Scott, Legal Counsel

5. REPORT OUT OF CLOSED SESSION ON ANY ACTION TAKEN

Nothing to report out.

6. PUBLIC SESSION -

RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION: The meeting will reconvene to open session.

7. Public Hearing - None Scheduled

8. Reports

a. Board

1. Operations and Communications

i. Executive Director Report

S. Chou provides report to Board. Discusses attending GEA 2's Prop 39 1st monthly co-location meeting at Norwood. Mentions GEA 2 will need to look for a new location for Prop 39 for the 17-18 school year. Training on Illuminate is to take place on Wednesday. Highlights that GEA will submit its renewal petition in November. She also mentions that there will be technology PD on October 10th, and all three schools will hold their first parent training on October 6th. Focus will be on attendance and getting ready for school.

ii. Committee Reports

D. Wang mentions that Fiscal does not have an update, but that he was debriefed on the deficit of GEA MS. A. Garcia mentions that the Facility committee is trying to schedule a date to meet with facility vendors. It might be good to have representation on the Facilities committee from Fiscal committee. M. Lavadenz mentions Curriculum committee has nothing to report.

iii. Board President Report

M. Wong mentions that she will be attending GEA's LAUSD Oversight visit on October 12th.

b. Staff

1. Operations and Communications

i. GEA

1. Monthly School Report - 15-16 CAASPP Results

C. Merrill presents his monthly school report. He highlights Back to School night on Sept 29th, Dialogue with Parents on October 6th, and Harvest Festival on Oct.

He also reviews GEA's CAASPP results. It compares the 15-16 school year versus the 14-15 school year. He mentions that there was a small dip in both ELA and Math, but that GEA is still ahead of LAUSD neighborhood schools. M. Wong asks if information is shared with parents. C. Merrill responds that information is shared via a weekly newsletter.

ii. GEAMS

1. Monthly School Report - 15-16 CAASPP Results

R. Mickels-Miller presents her monthly school report. She highlights that 6th grade attendance is at 98% and overall is at 96%. She mentions that she has current vacancies in RSP and PE. Mentions that they had their back to school night and 40 parents attended.

She reviews GEAMS's 15-16 CAASPP results for the Board. She shows that GEAMS is ahead of the two local LAUSD schools, Foshay and John Muir in ELA. Mentions there is still much work to be done in raising test scores. She also showed how most students made gains even though they may have not met standards.

iii. GEA 2

1. Monthly School Report - 15-16 CAASPP Results
D. Warken presents his monthly school report. His attendance rate is high due to the use of Independent Study program. He mentions he will be bringing CAASPP results at the next meeting. He highlights the following: issues with internet at Norwood; that he will be presenting at the LA Downtown Library on Oct. 1st; and that the annual GEA 2 Art Contest has officially kicked off.

- iv. Parent Education Program update
The first Dialogue with Parents will be held on October 6th at GEA MS.

9. Consent Agenda

All items listed under the Consent Agenda are considered by the Board to be routine and will be approved and/or enacted by the Board in one motion. Unless specifically requested by a Board member for further discussion or Removed from the agenda, there will be no discussion of these items prior to the Board's vote on them.

- a. Approval of Meeting Minutes:
 1. August 30, 2016 Board Meeting Minutes
- b. Approval of Check Register
 1. August 2016 Check Register

S. Miller moves to approve the consent agenda. D. Wang seconds.

S. Bernstein	D. Choi	R. Jones	C. Kim	M. Lavadenz	Y. Ma-Chan	S. Miller	E. Pack	M. Thomas	D. Wang	M. Wong
Not Present	Not Present	Yes	Not Present	Abstain	Yes	Yes	Not Present	Not Present	Yes	Yes

10. Discussion & Action Items

- a. August 2016 Financials for GEA, GEA 2, GEA MS, and GEC
A. Garcia presents the 2016 financials for all sites, including actuals vs budget, cash flow, and cash balance. He highlights the additional revenue of PCSGP for GEA 2 as the grant was extended to Sept 1st. He also highlights the large decrease in revenue for GEAMS based on its current enrollment of 125 vs estimated enrollment of 135. He presents two sets of financials for GEAMS, one with enrollment based on the approved preliminary budget and one with the updated enrollment. Mentions Board will need to look at the loan repayment schedule for GEAMS to GEA.

R. Jones moves to accept the August financials for all sites. S. Miller seconds.

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Not Present	Not Present	Yes	Not Present	Yes	Yes	Yes	Not Present	Not Present	Yes	Yes

- b. GEAMS 16-17 Updated Budget Presentation
A. Garcia and F. Contreras present the updated GEAMS budget. They mention the lower enrollment versus the original estimate. They also highlight the significant increase in Special Ed costs for GEAMS due not being able to find and hire its own Resource Specialist Teacher. Board

Not Present	Not Present	Yes	Not Present	Yes	Yes	Yes	Not Present	Not Present	Yes	Yes
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- h. Possible approval of Board Resolution: GEC Resolution Adopting LAUSD English Learner Master Plan for all GEC Schools

C. Merrill mentions the need for this has arise from the Renewal Petition process as well as normal practice. He mentions the Board needs to decide between using the LAUSD English Master Plan or creating its own English Learner Master Plan. He recommends that the Board approve the resolution adopting LAUSD's English Learner Master Plan.

S. Miller moves to approve the GEC Resolution Adopting LAUSD English Learner Master Plan for all GEC Schools. Y. Ma-Chan

S. Bernstein	D. Choi	R. Jones	C. Kim	M. Lavadenz	Y. Ma-Chan	S. Miller	E. Pack	M. Thomas	D. Wang	M. Wong
Not Present	Not Present	Abstains	Not Present	Yes	Yes	Yes	Not Present	Not Present	Yes	Yes

11. ADJOURNMENT

S. Miller motions to adjourn at 8:44pm. R. Jones seconds.

S. Bernstein	D. Choi	R. Jones	C. Kim	M. Lavadenz	Y. Ma-Chan	S. Miller	E. Pack	M. Thomas	D. Wang	M. Wong
Not Present	Not Present	Yes	Not Present	Yes	Yes	Yes	Not Present	Not Present	Yes	Yes

Next Regular Board Meeting: 10/25/16

THE ORDER OF BUSINESS MAY BE CHANGED WITHOUT NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the order of consideration of matters on this agenda may be changed without prior notice.

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