

GARVEY SCHOOL DISTRICT

Rosemead, California

Minutes of Regular Meeting

February 28, 2013

The Garvey Board of Education met in regular session on February 28, 2013, at the Education Center, 2730 N. Del Mar Avenue, Rosemead, California.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m., by Board Vice President Henry Lo.

ROLL CALL

Present at the meeting were Mr. Bob Bruesch, Ms. M. Janet Chin, Mr. Henry Lo, Mr. Tony Ramos (arrived at 7:40 p.m.), Mr. John Yuen (arrived at 6:40 p.m.), and Superintendent Dr. Sandra Johnson.

Also in attendance were Mr. Genaro Alarcon, Mr. Robert McEntire, Dr. Mary Suzuki, 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

Henry Lo led the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

SPECIAL RECOGNITION

The Board presented certificates of recognition to the following individuals as recipients of the Golden Apple Award by the Northwest San Gabriel Valley Administrators Association in recognition of their volunteer service and support to the District:

Jeff Allred, Rosemead City Manager

Chris Marcarello, Rosemead Director of Public Works

COMMUNICATIONS/REPORTS FROM THE BOARD AND SUPERINTENDENT

Dr. Sandra Johnson noted an invitation received to celebrate the retirement of Monterey Park City Council Member David Lau and City Clerk David Barron at the city council meeting of March 6, 2013.

Bob Bruesch indicated he attended the recent Science Olympiad held at Occidental College and our teams received medals for 3rd, 4th, and 5th place. Mr. Bruesch stated that this week he will participate as a judge for the History Day competition.

Janet Chin reminded everyone of the LACSTA event on March 8, 2013 where Senator Ed Hernandez will be addressing the Education Sector as Healthcare Partners. Bob Bruesch noted this Saturday's LACSTA and CSBA's summit at Alhambra Unified School District.

REPORTS AND INFORMATION ITEMS**A. Report from Community Advisory Council (CAC) Representatives**

Ariadna Banuelos and Hing Chow gave a report on the February 25, 2013, meeting of the Community Advisory Council (CAC) of the West San Gabriel Special Education Local Plan Area (SELPA) that focused on the Education Code, Brown Act Requirements, and Roberts Rules of Order. Ms. Banuelos invited the

community to attend the upcoming meetings of March 4th, March 11th, and March 18th. The meetings are held at the Alhambra Unified School District at 5:30 p.m. Mr. Chow indicated that the CAC is reviewing the SELPA Plan and making revisions as needed. He stated that by May 10, 2013, the L.A. County Office of Education (LACOE) will be returning the SELPA program to the local districts. Mr. Chow invited everyone to attend the upcoming SELPA meetings and events.

Bob Bruesch asked about teacher training on discipline that will be needed for handling the SELPA classes. Dr. Johnson stated that the West San Gabriel SELPA is composed of 14 schools districts and there have been numerous Task Force and committee meetings every month to make a smooth transition between LACOE and the school districts. Dr. Johnson stated that our District already has a SELPA class located in our campus, and that we are not taking severely handicapped students with discipline concerns. All the facilities have been reviewed to ensure they will serve our students.

B. Update on Grants

Robert McEntire spoke on the status of grant applications. One application (Car Tires) is completed and we are waiting to hear the results of just under \$50,000. Upcoming applications are related to alternative fuel vehicles, playground covers, athletics grants, water use grants, technology grants, and facility repair grants.

Dr. Mary Suzuki indicated that the National Education Foundation grant is in its second round where applications are being screened. The grant offers a systematic academy with technology integrated to the 1 to 1 Laptop Program and professional development at approximately \$200 to \$300 hundred thousand dollars.

Bob Bruesch asked a question about the technology programs. Dr. Suzuki stated that a discussion needs to take place next week regarding the various technology programs, such as Success Maker by Pierson, and their licensing costs that can be purchased with Title I Funding. Dr. Johnson talked about two other grants that we will apply for this month for musical instruments. Mr. Bruesch suggested that we check with the Ella Fitzgerald Foundation grants for musical instruments.

REPORT FROM UNION REPRESENTATIVES

- **Garvey Education Association (GEA)**

Michael Drange, president of GEA, addressed the Board regarding a cease and desist letter he received on February 22, 2013, regarding political activities. Mr. Drange said he was unclear if the letter was about individual employees or GEA activities. Mr. Drange gave a presentation entitled, Fiscal Cliff Report, summarizing the latest budget information.

- **California School Employees Association (CSEA)**

Olivia De Leon, president of CSEA, Chapter 292, reported on the negotiation meeting held on February 15, 2013, to come up with a plan that benefits the District and CSEA members. The next meeting is on March 5, 2013. Ms. De Leon thanked the Board for their support to CSEA.

REPORT FROM HEAD START REPRESENTATIVE

Carolyn Wong, Director of Child Development Office, reported on an update she sent to the Board regarding Non-Federal Share amount of \$102,390. Ms. Wong reported on the Grantee's Eligibility, Recruitment, Selection, Enrollment and Attendance (ERSEA) Program, managed by Soledad Ramirez, and the efforts of recruitment and selection of Head Start students. Ms. Wong stated that the District is to be fully enrolled 30 days before the start day; our Full-Day program starts in July and the Part-Day program starts in August, 2013.

Bob Bruesch asked about the number of Head Start slots available. Ms. Ramirez indicated that after considering the 250 to 300 returnees, this number will be determined as part of the recruitment efforts. Mr. Lo and Mr. Bruesch talked about how the Federal cuts will have an impact on the Head Start Program. Ms. Wong stated that on April 1, 2013, we will be informed about the number of vacancies and will be given the information about funding and programs that can be maintained in the ERSEA Plan.

Janet Chin asked about Head Start outreach events. Ms. Wong spoke of different dates and locations where flyers will be distributed, including the recreation events within the District boundaries. Ms. Chin asked for dates and flyers that can be forwarded to Chanel 55 listings in the Monterey Park City events.

Ms. Wong spoke of the self-assessment report on strengths and weaknesses identified by a multi-disciplinary team of staff and parents. The staff is making changes to address those areas receiving lower scores. Feedback is expected from LACOE to continue to refine the self-assessment findings. One-time supplemental funding for \$131,000 has been pre-approved by LACOE.

REPORTS FROM DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVES

- **Garvey Council PTA**

Joanna Monroy, President of Garvey Council PTA, addressed the Board regarding the successful Founders' Day Dinner. There were 195 guests attending and a Rhythmax performance. Volunteers honored were Wendy Tsang and Les Nakasaki.

- **Garvey Education Foundation**

Bob Bruesch stated a Foundation meeting was recently held discussing the dinner and Board member representation from the business community.

HEARING OF PERSONS IN THE AUDIENCE

Patricia Kasababian addressed the Board regarding District-wide changes that were made in the last few years affecting students and staff.

Cathie Camacho addressed the Board regarding the need to appoint a new principal at Temple Intermediate School as soon as possible.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD FOR CLOSED SESSION AGENDA ITEMS: None

MOTION TO GO INTO CLOSED SESSION

On the motion of Janet Chin, seconded by Bob Bruesch, and carried by a vote of 4 to 0 (Tony Ramos not present for the Board), the Board adjourned at 7:31 p.m., to closed session and addressed those items posted on the agenda.

RECONVENE INTO PUBLIC SESSION

The Board reconvened in public at 8:39 p.m.

REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION

Tony Ramos indicated that the following action was taken during the closed session:

On the motion of Janet Chin, seconded by John Yuen, and carried by a vote of 5 to 0, the Board voted to appoint Tina Cunningham as Interim Principal at Temple Intermediate School.

On the motion of Bob Bruesch, seconded by John Yuen, and carried by a vote of 5 to 0, the Board voted to release two (2) temporary certificated employees at the end of the 2012-2013 work year.

CONSENT AGENDA

On the motion of Bob Bruesch, seconded by Henry Lo, and carried by a vote of 5 to 0, the Board approved the Consent Agenda as indicated below:

A. Board/Superintendent

1. Approval of Minutes
On the motion of John Yuen, seconded by Tony Ramos, and carried by a vote of 5 to 0, the Board approved the minutes of the following meeting as corrected.
Regular Meeting – February 7, 2013
2. Conference/Convention Attendance - Revised
It is recommended that the Board of Education approve requests for conference and convention attendance as presented. Approved.
3. Acknowledgement of Gift
It is recommended that the Board of Education accept the donation of \$75 from Edison International's Employee Contributions Campaign Match program. Approved.
4. Head Start/State Preschool Enrollment/Recruitment/Selection/Enrollment/Attendance (ERSEA)
It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the Head Start/State Preschool Enrollment/Recruitment/Selection/Enrollment/Attendance (ERSEA) Procedures for 2013-14 as presented. Approved.
5. Head Start/State Preschool Self-Assessment Report
It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the Head Start/State Preschool Self-Assessment Report as presented. Approved.

B. Human Resources

1. Personnel Assignment Order - Revised
It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the Personnel Assignment Report No. 12-13-14 as presented. Approved.

C. Learning Support Services

1. COGAT GATE Scoring
It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the contract with Marvin Creech to score CogAT GATE Assessments at an estimated cost not to exceed \$650 to be paid by General Funds. Approved.
2. YMCA Camp Surf – Hillcrest School

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the attendance of sixty sixth-grade students, two teachers and six volunteers from Hillcrest School to attend the YMCA Camp Surf in San Diego, from May 29, 2013 through May 31, 2013. Approved.

3. Parent Institute for Quality Education (PIQE) – Hillcrest

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve a contract with the Parent Institute for Quality Education (PIQE) to provide a parent training course to Hillcrest Elementary School parents from March 6 through May 8, 2013. Approved.

4. Parent Institute for Quality Education (PIQE) – Bitely

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve a contract with the Parent Institute for Quality Education (PIQE) to provide a parent training course to Arlene Bitely Elementary School parents from March 28 through May 23, 2013. Approved.

5. Safe School Ambassador Anti-Bullying Program

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the Safe School Ambassador Anti-Bullying Program for Richard Garvey Intermediate School students and staff on March 7 and March 8, 2013. Approved.

6. California Weekly Explorer Program

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve a contract with the California Weekly Explorer, Inc., to provide a program to Hillcrest Elementary School students on April 12, 2013. Approved.

7. READ 180- Temple Intermediate School

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the contract with Scholastic to provide a one-day READ 180 Coaching Day for one special education teacher and one Academic Coach at Temple Intermediate School. Approved.

8. Document Tracking Services

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the amendment to the Agreement with Document Tracking Services to translate each 2011-12 SARC (School Accountability Report Card) to Spanish. Approved.

9. Outdoor Education – Wolf Camp

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the attendance of one hundred fifth and sixth grade students, four teachers and ten volunteers from Monterey Vista School to attend an outdoor education program at Wolf Camp/Brandeis Bardin Campground from May 28 through May 31, 2013. Approved.

D. Business Services

1. Purchase Order Report

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve Purchase Order Report No.12-13-11 as presented. Approved.

2. Appropriation Transfers

On the motion of Bob Bruesch, seconded by Tony Ramos, and carried by a vote of 5 to 0, the Board approved the Appropriation Transfers as presented.

Bob Bruesch asked about an adjustment of \$66,000 for Recall charges. Robert McEntire stated that the adjustment was needed for a quote received by the L.A. County Registrar and previous

estimates that were made based on similar neighboring situations. The budget total now is \$210,000.

3. Approve Contract with Pacific Floor Company – Temple Gym
It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the contract with Pacific Floor Co. to remove and replace gym floor at Temple Int. School. Approved.
4. Approve Contract with Aeries Internet Registration (AIR)
It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the contract with Aeries Internet Registration (AIR) for online student registration. Approved.

ACTION ITEMS

- A. Resolution 12-13-16 – Support of Ban on Assault Weapons and Regulation of Ammunition
On the motion of Bob Bruesch, seconded by Tony Ramos, and carried by a vote of 5 to 0, the Board adopted Resolution 12-13-16 – In Support of a Comprehensive Federal and State of California Ban on Assault Weapons and Regulation of Ammunition.
- B. CSBA Delegate Assembly Election
On the Motion of Bob Bruesch, seconded by Henry Lo, and carried by a vote of 5 to 0, the Board voted to cast votes the two candidates, to fill up to two vacancies on the CSBA Delegate Assembly for Sub-Region 23-A. Newly elected delegates will serve a two-year term beginning April 1, 2013-March 31, 2015. The candidates are:
Robert L. Gin, Alhambra Unified School District
Richard Sonner, South Pasadena Unified School District
- C. Mediation Agreement
On the motion of Bob Bruesch, seconded by Tony Ramos, and carried by a vote of 5 to 0, the Board approved the mediation agreement for OAH Case No. 2012080536.

Bob Bruesch asked the litigation length of time. Michele Yamarone stated that we have not litigated. The case was filed and we just went to mediation; the case never went to a hearing.
- D. Parcel Tax Survey
Henry Lo moved, Bob Bruesch seconded, to approve the survey questionnaire from Isom Advisors for a proposed Property Tax as presented.

The Board asked the administration to discuss the addition of two questions to the survey questionnaire from Isom Advisors. One was to determine if the person surveyed is a renter or owner the other was about Honors classes. The Board will accept Mr. Isom's recommendation on adding or not adding these two questions.

The motion passed by a vote of 5 to 0.

PUBLIC AGENDA ITEMS: None

FUTURE MEETINGS

Bob Bruesch asked to review the required readings at Board meetings, if these can displayed with a slide projector in all languages. Mr. Bruesch asked for the following Board policies to be brought back: BP/AR 4119.25, relating to information to be distributed on the future parcel tax measure. Dr. Sandra Johnson spoke of the guidelines that state that the District cannot promote passage or failure of political campaigns on school property.

Janet Chin asked for clarification on donations for placing photos on the walls of the District Office and donated plants. Dr. Johnson stated that upgrades to the District Office were made with some donations and some were made with District funds. She commended Liliane Awadalla for taking the photos of students and staff. Dr. Johnson

stated that photos of the Temple staff taken by Ms. Awadalla will be displayed on a bulletin board at Temple Intermediate School.

Henry Lo reminded everyone of next Tuesday's elections and asked that every citizen exercise his/her right to vote.

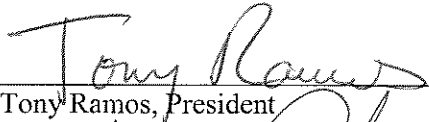
Bob Bruesch asked to adjourn the meeting in the memory of former employee Margaret Tritin who passed away last week after more than 36 years in the District. The Board sends condolences to the family.

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.

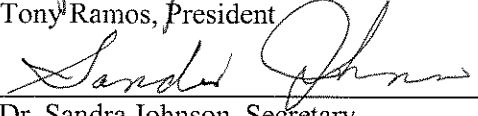
Meeting Date	Agenda Topic
March 14, 2013	PIQE
April 4, 2013	
April 25, 2013	
May 16, 2013	
June 6, 2013	
June 27, 2013	

ADJOURNMENT

There being no additional items, the meeting was adjourned at 9:13 p.m.



Tony Ramos, President



Dr. Sandra Johnson, Secretary

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

Santa Acevedo
Ozzie Aguirre
Mary Louise Anderson
Ariadna Banuelos
Cathie Camacho
Hing Chow
Michael Drange
Nancy Eng
Olivia De Leon
Laurie Hurley
Mike Kenny
Nancy Kugler
Christine Lee
Brian Lewn
Carrie Liang
Gloria Lopez
Maria Luna
G. Marcine
Garrett Matsumoto
Joanna Monroy
Les Nakasaki
Sanya Namboun-Terracina
Betty Ng
Christine Okada
Soledad Ramirez
Rachel Reyes-Aceytuno
Crystal Rodriguez
Jacob Rodriguez
Elizabeth C. Silva
Terry Skotnes
Gwen Tambe
Ken Tang
Teresa Tang-Quick
Lynette Thomas
Kathy Tran
Chris Wallace
Tonie Tran-Wang
Denise Williams
Carolyn Wong
Shirley Wong
Michele Yamarone
Cathy Yamasaki