

GARVEY SCHOOL DISTRICT
Rosemead, California

Minutes of Regular Meeting
March 13, 2014

The Garvey Board of Education met in regular session on March 13, 2014, at the Education Center, 2730 N. Del Mar Ave., Rosemead, California.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:31 p.m., by Board President Bob Bruesch.

ROLL CALL

Present at the meeting were Mr. Bob Bruesch, Ms. M. Janet Chin, Ms. Maureen Chin, Mr. Henry Lo (arrived at 7:00 p.m.), Mr. Ronald Trabanino, and Acting Superintendent Dolores Preciado.

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 are hereby made an official part of these minutes.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

Susan Byard led the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

RECOGNITIONS:

- Science Olympiad

The Board presented certificates of recognition for winning performances at the L.A. County Office of Education (LACOE) Science Olympiad Competition. The following were recognized:

Principals:	Gema Macias	Robin Libby
Teachers:	Michael Naka	Teresa Chow Teresa Tang-Quick
Students:	Seena Nghiem, 3 rd Place Winner, Solar System	
	Layton Chhout, 3 rd Place Winner, Solar System	
	Seena Nghiem, 6 th Place Winner, Heredity	
	Vivian Ji, 6 th Place Winner, Heredity	
	Gold Medal Team Winners	
	Briana Avila	Noemi Ho
	Kevin Chan	Nicholas Leigh
	Skye Chianchitlert	Erik Lim
	Tyler Chianchitlert	Silvana Martinez
	Stephanie Cook	Athena Thai
	Nathanial Chu	Hillary Tran
	Raven Ferrer	Sabrina Vong
	Eden Gonzalez	

- District Spelling Bee

The Board presented certificates of recognition for winning performances at the District Spelling Bee Competition. The following were recognized:

Principal:	Kitty Louie	
Teachers:	Kelly Hillman	Regina Lopez
Students:	Chao Lin He, 1 st Place Winner	Hillary Tran, 2 nd Place Winner

COMMUNICATIONS/REPORTS FROM THE BOARD AND SUPERINTENDENT

Dolores Preciado noted that the Board will be approving tonight Resolution No. 13-14-12 in recognition of Women's History Month. She spoke of 16 year-old Malala Yousafzai, nominated to win the Nobel Peace Prize this year for speaking out on education for children, especially young girls. Ms. Preciado showed a book titled, *I Am Malala: The Girl Who Stood Up for Education and Was Shot by the Taliban*, which was dedicated to all girls facing injustice.

Maureen Chin stated she participated in this week's Read Across American Week by reading to young children at Monterey Vista School. She also attended the Temple Intermediate fundraising event, Dinner and Show. In addition, Ms. M. Chin attended this Saturday's San Gabriel Youth Summit. Ronald Trabanino stated he also attended the Dinner and Show event at Temple Intermediate School

Bob Bruesch announced a vote by Kiwanis Club this week to give our District \$1,000 to all musical programs in the District, ~~a donation of \$2,500 was given for special projects~~, and a \$1,500 donation was approved for our students to participate in the LACOE Science Olympiad competition next year.

Bob Bruesch received consensus from the Board to move the Public Comment Period ahead of Agenda Item No. 6.

Janet Chin noted two important items of information being presented tonight regarding the use of District funds.

REPORTS AND INFORMATION ITEMS:

- LCAP Update and Survey Analysis

Dr. Mary Suzuki and Robert McEntire gave an update to the Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP) Survey.

Dr. Suzuki explained the stakeholder input through several meetings (LCAP Advisory Committee, DSLT-District School Leadership Team, DAC and DELAC, GATE parent meetings and Special Education Parent Meetings). She indicated that the LCAP survey is open to all stakeholders, parents, teachers, classified employees, administrators, and community members.

Dr. Suzuki showed graphs of survey respondents: 44 percent parents, 31 percent teachers, 20 percent classified employees, 3 percent administrators, and 1 percent community. She also presented information on the percentages indicating the priority for academic intervention classes, reduced class sizes, technology to support student learning, professional development, increased communication with parents, increased parent involvement opportunities, implementation of Common Core Standards, summer school programs,, and library/media extended hours,

Dr. Suzuki provided a list of narrative trends. The next steps will include a draft of the LCAP to be presented to the LCAP Advisory Committee on April 10, 2014; public hearing for the LCAP at the Board meeting of April 25, 2014, Superintendent review and response to written comments by May 2014, and the LCAP and the budget adoption at the Board meeting of June 5, 2014.

Robert McEntire addressed the LCAP cost analysis for library clerks, support teachers, technology staff, custodial and maintenance staff. He indicated the LCAP cost of 1 day totals \$144,063, 1 full day (24 hours/hourly rate) is \$223,563; the total cost of \$367,626.

Bob Bruesch asked about the estimated funding for LCFF. Mr. McEntire stated that it was almost \$4.8 million; \$3 million in addition to what the District spent this year, and \$1.6 million added to the base grant.

Janet Chin asked about the narrative related to comments from parents. Dr. Suzuki stated that the SurveyMonkey and the GEA Survey included comments that were made frequently more than 30 times. The comments between the two surveys were cross-referenced and they related to the eight key areas that the survey covered.

Henry Lo asked about the percentage of comments made by parents and whether the survey analysis can determine if parents are still trying to understand the LCAP and LCFF funding. Dr. Suzuki said that it appears that more than half of the parents are still trying to understand the funding model and how it impacts their children.

Janet Chin asked if this type of survey will be done on a yearly basis. Dr. Suzuki indicated that information collected is so beneficial that it could lead to an opportunity to conduct surveys annually and see parent satisfaction and other information that may or may not be related to LCAP. Ms. J. Chin asked if everyone will be notified of the extension of the survey period. Dr. Suzuki stated that information will be going out tomorrow to notify the parents.

Henry Lo asked about the survey results related to parent involvement. Dr. Suzuki talked about computer classes being offered to parents which are well attended, and how the narratives in the survey reveal the types of parent involvement activities that parents want and the preferred time of day for parent activities.

Bob Bruesch commented on the idea of having a technology coach as the voice of teachers when selecting software and hardware centered on the student needs. Mr. Bruesch asked if the LCFF funds can be combined with the After School Education and Safety (ASES) funding to offer a stronger after-school program with hands-on learning by District staff similar to the Woodcraft Rangers Program. Robert McEntire stated that it would need to be a program tailored around the three student groups and eight objectives of the LCFF/LCAP funding. Dr. Suzuki indicated that the District could provide hands-on activities with school site funding or having teachers rotate to allow for collaborative time. This would be additional funding for collaborative time and allows for student access to the funds.

- Robert McEntire gave a presentation on the 2013-14 Second Interim Report

Mr. McEntire explained the budget cycle, the Governor's budget proposal for 2014-15, budget certifications, local control funding formula (LCFF) proportional share calculation, changes since the 1st Interim Report, general fund revenues, general fund salaries and benefits expenditures, a multi-year budget projection and the fund balance.

Mr. McEntire explained that the Governor's budget proposal for 2014-15 is the greatest increase in per-student average funding since 2000-2001, a growth that provides an average increase in per-pupil funding of 14.34% (or \$952 per ADA). The remaining K-14 deferrals are to be paid down and a proposal to set up reserves during "good times" to help smooth out any rough spots during bad times, along with two Rainy Day Funds, one of which is for education.

There is no proposed increase to Common Core State Standards (CCSS) funding; this fund includes \$200 per ADA and funds are to be used for professional development, technology, and instructional materials during the 2013-14 and 2014-15. A plan is to be discussed at the Board meeting of April 24th.

Mr. McEntire stated that the governor's proposal for 2014-15 does not address CalSTRS unfunded liability, school facilities bond, special education funding shortfalls, and mandated cost funding. The Deferred Maintenance program is now permanently a part of the LCFF base grant. The Governor's budget proposal does not change the minimum contribution requirement (3%) for routine maintenance. This flexibility expires at the end of 2014-15.

Mr. McEntire stated that the District received a positive certification. This means that districts will meet their financial obligation for the current and two subsequent fiscal years.

Mr. McEntire explained the LCFF formula that provides the same amount of funding per student with two adjustments; 1) grade level and 2) demographics. The LCFF revenue model is a new way of budget calculations. Mr. McEntire stated that the State added a “commitment” to “close the gap” a little each year; however, there is no obligation to fund any certain amount, and many other agencies/services are competing for the funds. The funding levels are tied to grade range for the base grant and the funding levels are tied to expenditures for specific programs or specific student populations: 1) low socio-economic students, 2) foster students, 3) English language learners.

Mr. McEntire explained the LCFF entitlement factors and formulas for 2013-14. He explained that the concentration funds are calculated using an unduplicated count of students. Mr. McEntire explained the changes since the 1st Interim Report. He showed the percentage of revenue sources in the general fund, as well as, the staffing and administrative costs of salaries and benefits for 2013-14. Mr. McEntire talked about the multi-year projections for unrestricted funds in the General Fund for 2013-14, 2014-25, and 2015-16.

Bob Bruesch commented about our school sites deteriorating over the next two years that would require the Board to seek funds for repairs and replacements that would require a huge capital outlay. Mr. McEntire spoke of the beginning phases of the District’s master plan that would outline the District facility needs of approximately \$96 million which would need to be prioritized and there will be a need to determine the sources of revenue to cover these costs.

REPORT FROM UNION REPRESENTATIVES

- **Garvey Education Association (GEA)**

Michael Drange, President of GEA, addressed the Board regarding the District’s budget. Mr. Drange commented on the improved staff morale; he stated that GEA has not had a contract since 2011. Mr. Drange is hoping that there will be a tentative GEA agreement soon. Mr. Drange spoke of the many school concerts provided by Garvey/Temple and will make sure that the Board is informed in the future.

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

Olivia De Leon, President of CSEA, thanked Principal Rene Hernandez for inviting her to participate in the Read Across America event. Ms. De Leon stated that CSEA met with the District about negotiations and she spoke of a survey being sent to CSEA members. Ms. De Leon stated that the majority of CSEA members, including part-time members, are willing to take the Thanksgiving Week off. CSEA is hoping that they hear soon on what the cost of living adjustment (COLA) will be for CSEA members.

REPORT FROM HEAD START REPRESENTATIVE

Carolyn Wong, Director of Head Start/State Preschool Services, introduced Angela Rios, newly elected Policy Committee Liaison to the Board. Ms. Wong stated that the Head Start Program is, and will continue to stay in Track A. She indicated that the Disability Program is 1 student short of the 10 percent requirement for enrollment. Ms. Wong spoke of parenting classes, as well as, a new curriculum, Creative Curriculum, being introduced next year which includes a project-base approach and commonality with the current High/Scope curriculum. Ms. Wong addressed the Head Start written plans for 2014-15 available for the public and the Board to review.

Angela Rios reported that there were no vacancies in the month of February, 2014, out of 414 Head Start slots. The State Preschool had no vacancies out of 21 slots. The State Preschool Full Day program had no vacancies out of 90 slots, and the State Preschool had 1 vacancy out of 78 slots. The Part-Day program is full. Ms. Rios stated that the January breakfasts totaled 4,680, lunches totaled 8,164, and snacks totaled 4,630. The February non-Federal Share hours total was 3,819 provided to 29 classrooms. The Child Development Office does not have a credit card issued. The February average daily attendance (ADA) was at 90.20 percent.

Janet Chin asked about the volunteer hours. Ms. Wong stated that staff is making sure that the hours are accurate and parents are being reminded to turn in their time sheets in a timely manner.

REPORTS FROM DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVES

- **Garvey Council PTA**

Joyce Tamanaha-Ho, PTA Secretary, thanked the District staff for the support to the Founders Day event held in February, 2014. Ms. Tamanaha-Ho indicated that Marion Sumimoto was honored with the Golden Oak award for her many years of service to the District.

HEARING OF PERSONS IN THE AUDIENCE

Ted Saulino completed a Request to Speak but was not present when called to speak.

Gloria Lopez addressed the Board regarding the position of English Language Interventionist at Rice School. Ms. Lopez indicated the role of this position to be for newcomer students but that the teacher gets pulled a lot for other student activities. Ms. Lopez feels that funds for this position are being used inappropriately. Ms. Lopez asked the Board to give direction to staff in the appropriate use of the EL Interventionist teacher.

Dolores Preciado indicated that a discussion was held with all instructional leaders regarding the role of the EL Interventionist. Bob Bruesch asked for an update to the Board regarding this matter.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD FOR CLOSED SESSION AGENDA ITEMS: None

MOTION TO GO INTO CLOSED SESSION AND EXTEND THE MEETING

On the motion of Janet Chin, seconded by Maureen Chin, and carried by a vote of 5 to 0, the Board extended the meeting to 10:00 p.m., and voted to adjourn at 7:15 p.m. to closed session and addressed those items posted on the agenda.

RECONVENE INTO PUBLIC SESSION

The Board reconvened in public at 9:03 p.m.

REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION

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

CONSENT AGENDA

On the motion of Janet Chin, seconded by Ronald Trabanino, 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

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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 13-14-17 – Women’s History Month
It is recommended that the Board of Education adopt Resolution No. 13-14-12 Recognizing March 2014 as Women’s History Month and encourage all Teachers and administrators to commemorate this time with appropriate instruction. Approved.
4. Certification of Signatures
It is recommended that the Board approve the following certification of Signatures. Approved.

B. Human Resources

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

C. Learning Support Services

1. 2014-15 Head Start/State Preschool Program Written Plans
It is recommended that the Board approve the 2014-15 Head Start/State Preschool Program Written Plans. Approved.
2. Head Start/State Preschool Cost of Living (COLA) Adjustments for Program Year 2014-2015
It is recommended that the Garvey School Board approve the Head Start/State Preschool Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA) for Program Year 2014-2015. Approved.
3. 2014 California State History Day Finals
It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the attendance of two Students and one teacher, Shirley Wong, from Frances Willard Elementary School, to participate in the 2014 California State History Day Finals to be held in Riverside from April 25 through April 27, 2024, at an estimated cost of \$1,160.00 to be paid by General Funds. Approved.

D. Business Services

1. Purchase Oder Report 13-14-12
It is recommended that the Board approve Purchase Order Report 13-14-12. Approved.
2. Appropriation Transfers
It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the Appropriation Transfers as presented. Approved.
3. Second Interim Report
It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the District’s Second Interim Report (Positive Certification) pursuant to Education Code (EC) Sections 35035(g), 42130 and 42131, certify District’s ability to meet its financial obligations for the remainder of current fiscal year (2013-14) and subsequent two fiscal years (2014-15 & 2015-16). Approved.
4. Continuing Disclosure
It is recommended that the Board of Education approve contract with Isom Advisors to provide legally mandated Continuing Disclosure services for the District’s G.O. Bond. Approved.

17. Action Items

A. Contract with Wenger & Associates

On the motion of Henry Lo, seconded by Janet Chin, and carried by a vote of 5 to 0, the Board approved the contract with Wenger & Associates to provide consulting services to help the District develop and document the process by which unduplicated counts are developed and potentially raise our count percentage. Hourly rate (\$175/hr) not to exceed \$12,500.00.

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

B. Resolution No 13-14-13

Adopt Resolution No. 13-14-13 – Reduction of a Particular Kind of Service.

Genaro Alarcon explained the two (2) part-time position reductions (.83 social studies and .40 social science teachers) as a precaution due to the projected loss of students at Temple Intermediate School. Mr. Alarcon stated these teachers will have re-employment rights.

Maureen Chin moved, Ronald Trabanino seconded, and the motion carried by a vote of 5 to 0, to approve Agenda Item B. as presented.

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

PUBLIC AGENDA ITEMS: None

FUTURE MEETINGS

Bob Bruesch asked Board members to consider adopting the Rosenberg Rules of Order to conduct Board meetings providing guidelines on motions presented at future Board meetings. Dolores Preciado will provide the Board with the CSBA sample policy on Conducting Board meetings.

Bob Bruesch stated there are now 11 Chinese schools with after school programs offered to our students. He proposed asking one of these programs to contract with our District to teach Chinese language and offer after school programs on a fee-basis in order to retain some of their students into our schools.

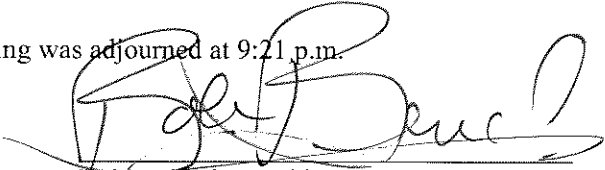
Janet Chin asked if our District could provide input on the speakers invited to the San Gabriel Valley Youth Summit next year.

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.

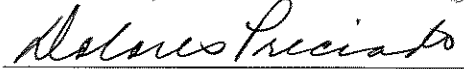
Meeting Date	Agenda Topic
April 3, 2014	
April 24, 2014	
May 15, 2014	

ADJOURNMENT

There being no additional items, the meeting was adjourned at 9:21 p.m.

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Bob Bruesch, President

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Dolores Preciado, Acting Secretary

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

Susan Byard
Victor Chianchitlert
Layton Chhour
Leon Chhour
Digia Dam
Olivia De Leon
Michael Drange
Robin Libby
Celia Moreno
Julie Pang-Cortez
Angela Rios
Joyce Tamanaha-Ho
Ken Tang
Teresa Tang-Quick
Michele Yamarone
Carolyn Wong