

**GARVEY SCHOOL DISTRICT**

Rosemead, California

Minutes of Regular Meeting

February 26, 2015

The Garvey Board of Education met in regular session on February 26, 2015, 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 Vice President Maureen Chin.

**ROLL CALL**

Present at the meeting were Mr. Bob Bruesch, Ms. M. Janet Chin, Ms. Maureen Chin, Mr. Henry Lo (arrived at 8:11 p.m.), Mr. Ronald Trabanino (arrived at 6:36 p.m.), and Superintendent Anita Chu.

Also in attendance were Mr. Genaro Alarcon 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**

Principal Robin Libby and a student from Hillcrest School led the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

**PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD FOR CLOSED SESSION AGENDA ITEMS:** None

**Motion to Move Action Item C.**

On the motion of Bob Bruesch, seconded by Janet Chin, and carried by a vote of 3 to 0, the Board approved to proceed to Action Item C.

Vote:	Bob Bruesch	Yes
	Janet Chin	Yes
	Maureen Chin	Yes
	Henry Lo	Not present for the vote
	Ronald Trabanino	Not present for the vote

**MOTION TO GO INTO CLOSED SESSION**

On the motion of Bob Bruesch, seconded by Janet Chin, and carried by a vote of 4 to 0, the Board adjourned at 6:41 p.m. to closed session and addressed those items posted on the agenda.

Vote:	Bob Bruesch	Yes
	Janet Chin	Yes
	Maureen Chin	Yes
	Henry Lo	Not present for the vote
	Ronald Trabanino	Yes

**RECONVENE INTO PUBLIC SESSION**

The Board reconvened in public at 7:05 p.m.

**REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION**

Maureen Chin indicated the following action taken during closed session:

On the motion of Bob Bruesch, seconded by Janet Chin, and carried by a vote of 4 to 0, the Board voted to release one classified probationary employee.

Vote:	Bob Bruesch	Yes
	Janet Chin	Yes
	Maureen Chin	Yes
	Henry Lo	Not present for the vote
	Ronald Trabanino	Yes

**RECOGNITIONS:** None

## **COMMUNICATIONS/REPORTS FROM THE BOARD AND SUPERINTENDENT**

- **Student Presentation – Hillcrest School**

Principal Robbin Libby introduced three students from Hillcrest Elementary School, and each of the students addressed the Board describing how they use the *Seven Habits of High Effective People* to become leaders at home and school.

- **Other Communications/Reports**

Bob Bruesch reported that next Saturday six students from Temple and Garvey Intermediate Schools will be presenting the *Seven Habits of Highly Effective People* in a panel discussion at the annual Youth Summit. Mr. Bruesch asked if these students could have permission releases to be videotaped at the event.

Anita Chu indicated that today, the annual Spelling Bee contest took place at Hillcrest School. In addition, Ms. Chu thanked all the departments that were involved in setting up additional computer labs at the schools. Their timely, well-coordinated services had enabled students to complete their computer-based Smarter Balanced Assessments in an efficient manner.

Bob Bruesch spoke of the upcoming Science Olympiad at Occidental College where students from four of our schools will participating.

Robin Libby stated that with support from PTA, Hillcrest School has been able to provide a fee-based after school program that teaches students robotics one hour per week for a period of six weeks.

Janet Chin spoke of the upcoming Young Americans event on April 18-20, 2015, providing workshops to students, at \$35 for Rosemead residents and \$50 for non-Rosemead residents. Ms. Chin stated that the event is seeking families to host the artists from out-of-town who will be performing and conducting the workshops. Mr. Bruesch stated that the Kiwanis Club will be providing 20 scholarships to students at no-cost.

Maureen Chin spoke of yesterday's PTA Founders Day recognizing Genaro Alarcon and other honorees.

## **REPORT FROM UNION REPRESENTATIVES**

- **Garvey Education Association (GEA)**

Michael Drange, President of Garvey Education Association, addressed the Board stating he was unable to attend yesterday's PTA event. Mr. Drange stated that GEA is looking forward to have the bargaining proposal approved and begin negotiations.

- **California School Employees Association (CSEA):** None

#### **REPORTS FROM DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVES**

- **Garvey Council PTA**

Joyce Tamanaha-Ho, President of Garvey Council PTA, addressed the Board and thanked everyone for attending yesterday's PTA Founders Day. Ms. Tamanaha-Ho congratulated Genaro Alarcon as recipient of the Golden Oak Award, and Wendy Tsang, also an honoree and a long-time PTA President at Bitely Elementary School. Ms. Tamanaha-Ho invited everyone to the next Garvey Council PTA meeting on March 18, 2015, at 3:15 p.m.

- **SELPA Community Advisory Committee (CAC)**

Joyce Tamanaha-Ho, addressed the Board on behalf of Ariadna Banuelos, SELPA Community Advisory Committee (CAC) Chair, regarding the next CAC meeting scheduled on March 9, 2015, at El Monte Union High School from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.

#### **REPORT FROM HEAD START REPRESENTATIVE**

Carolyn Wong, Director of State Head Start/State Preschool Program Services, addressed the Board regarding matters of the Head Start/State Preschool Program. Ms. Wong gave an update on the Refunding Application which was approved by L.A. County Office of Education (LACOE). Our program was commended for not requiring more than one face-to-face meeting with LACOE.

Ms. Wong spoke of the Head Start/Preschool Self-Assessment presented to the Board tonight for approval. Similar program improvement plans are in place related to enrollment challenges at the beginning of the year, and the challenge of meeting the 25 percent non-Federal budget share requirement. Strengths were identified in the area of quality education, particularly in implementing the Creative Curriculum. Intervention, another part of curriculum, needs to be fully implemented by next year. Ms. Wong indicated that there is no date set for the Federal review.

Ms. Wong spoke of the return of \$500 for training and technical assistance due to the return of 17 Head Start/State Preschool slots to LACOE at the beginning of the year.

Janet Chin asked if parents really understood the 25 percent non-Federal budget share requirement. Ms. Chin explained that when parents do volunteer work at school or spend time with the child at home, the time can contribute to the non-Federal share. Ms. Wong stated this is addressed continually at the Policy Committee meetings asking that the information be shared with other parents. The challenge is in getting parents to complete the required forms.

#### **HEARING OF PERSONS IN THE AUDIENCE**

Gloria Lopez, teacher at Rice School, addressed the Board regarding a student assembly being held tomorrow (February 27), 8:40 a.m. regarding the Leader in Me Program and thanked Panda Restaurant staff for their support with Beautification Day. At the same time, students at Rice will be wearing their college or university T-shirt. Ms. Lopez thanked F&H Printing for the speedy delivery of student T-shirts which were purchased with fundraising efforts.

Ms. Lopez invited everyone to an event at Rice celebrating Cesar Chavez Day of Service on March 14, 2015. The students and staff will be wearing Rice T-Shirts and will be walking around the community to clean up residences and get acquainted with Rice neighbors.

Janet Chin asked about the university T-Shirt that Ms. Lopez would be wearing tomorrow. Ms. Lopez indicated it will be Brown University which is where one of her students graduated.

Michael Drange addressed the Board and showed a video as food for thought regarding the impact that music classes have on the student's brain development.

Ryan Law addressed the Board regarding a program at Hillcrest School, *Bricks4Kidz* afterschool enrichment program. The program teaches kids the skills to build robotic models. Mr. Law gave details of the program and its benefits. Mr. Law asked the Board for support to make this program available to all schools in the District.

Nora Cruz addressed the Board asking if the students of Garvey could have early Fridays instead of early Wednesdays so parents can volunteer in the classroom. Mr. Cruz also asked if the computer labs could become available for students after school hours.

Sonia Cleary addressed the Board regarding her release of employment on January 30, 2015. Ms. Cleary read aloud a statement and made copies available to Board members.

## CONSENT AGENDA

On the motion of Bob Bruesch, seconded by Ronald Trabanino, and carried by a vote of 4 to 0, the Board approved the Consent Agenda as indicated below.

Vote:	Bob Bruesch	Yes
	Janet Chin	Yes
	Maureen Chin	Yes
	Henry Lo	Not present for the vote
	Ronald Trabanino	Yes

### A. Board/Superintendent

1. Approval of Minutes  
Regular Meeting – February 5, 2015 – as corrected.  
Approved.
2. Conference/Convention Attendance - Revised  
It is recommended that the Board of Education approve requests for conference and convention attendance as presented. Approved.
3. Head Start/State Preschool Program Self-Assessment Report for Program Year 2014-2015  
It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the Head Start/State Preschool Program Self-Assessment Report for Program Year 2014-2015. Approved.
4. Budget Adjustment Request (BAR)/Request for Advance Approval (RAA) for Head Start Training & Technical Assistance (T&TA)  
It is recommended that the Garvey School Board of Education approve the Budget Adjustment Request/Request for Advance Approval for Head Start Training & Technical Assistance (T&TA). Approved.

### B. Human Resources

1. Personnel Assignment Order - Revised  
It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the Personnel Assignment Report No. 14-15-11 as presented. Approved.

### C. Learning Support Services

1. Title III Year 2 Improvement Plan Certification

It is recommended that the Board of Education certify that the information in the Title III Year 2 Improvement Plan is correct and complete and that all applicable state and federal regulations will be observed. Approved.

2. Astro Camp Guided Discoveries

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the attendance of twenty-nine GATE students, three Special Day Class (SDC) students, one teacher, and two volunteers from Eldridge Rice Elementary School to attend the Astro Camp Guided Discoveries from April 1, 2015 through April 3, 2015 at an estimated cost of \$7,629.00 to be paid from PTA, student donations, fundraising activities, and Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP) Funds. Approved.

3. Contract – Marvin Creech (GATE Assessments Scoring)

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve a contract with Marvin Creech to score CogAT GATE assessments at an estimated cost not to exceed \$600.00; to be paid from General Funds. Approved.

**D. Student Support Services: None**

**E. Business Services**

1. Purchase Order Report 14-15-10

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve Purchase Order Report 14-15-10. Approved.

2. Amendment of Contract – Republic National Security

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve an amendment to the contract with Republic National Security to increase the potential cost to not to exceed \$58,000. The contract will continue to be paid from Safety Credit funds. Approved.

3. Resolution No. 14-15-16 – Authorizing ERATE Competitive Negotiations for Wide Area Network Connection Services

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve Resolution No. 14-15-16 to authorize ERATE competitive negotiations for Wide Area Network (WAN) Connection Services. Approved.

4. Audit Agreement for Fiscal Year 2014-15

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve agreement with Moss, Levy, Hartzheim LLP to perform audit services for the 2014-15 fiscal year. Approved.

5. Comprehensive School Safety Plan

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the Comprehensive School Safety Plans for all school sites. Approved.

**REPORTS AND INFORMATION ITEMS**

**A. New School Facilities Fees (Developer Fees)**

Eric Hart, Director of Fiscal Support Services, addressed the Board regarding the new school facilities fee. Effective January 22, 2014, the State Allocation Board authorized school districts to increase the school facilities fee, from \$3.20 to \$3.36 per square foot for new residential property and from \$0.51 to \$0.54 per square foot for new commercial/industrial property. On a question from Bob Bruesch, hotels are now listed as commercial development.

Mr. Hart stated that because Garvey is a K-8 district, an agreement is in place specifying that the District will collect 67 percent of the developer fees and Alhambra Unified School District (AUSD) will have 33

percent of the revenue. The new rates for Garvey, therefore, will be \$2.25 for residential development and \$0.362 for commercial/industrial development. In 2013-14 the total developer fee collections were \$154,000; the new rate would have brought about \$174,000. For 2014-15, the amount collected as of today is \$92,391.

Janet Chin asked if AUSD returns some percentage of their revenue from developer fees to our District. Mr. Hart stated that the District does not get any portion of the developer fees AUSD receives.

### **ACTION ITEMS**

A. Public Hearing - Imposition and Collection of school Facilities Fees (Developer Fees)  
A public hearing opened at 8:12 p.m., and closed at 8:13 p.m., regarding the imposition and collection of school facilities fees (Developer Fees). There were no requests to speak

B. Resolution No. 14-15-11 - Increase of School Facilities Fees (Developer Fees)  
On the motion of Bob Bruesch, seconded by Maureen Chin, and carried by a vote of 5 to 0, the Board adopted Resolution No. 14-15-11 to increase School Facility Fees (Developer Fees).

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

C. Acceptance of Award Monies  
It is recommended that the Board of Education accept the "Loss Control Pays" award grant from Alliance of Schools for Cooperative Insurance Programs (ASCIP) for the amount of \$1,500.

Reshawn Cooray, ASCIP Director of Loss Control, addressed the Board regarding the District receiving the "Loss Control Pays" award grant from ASCIP in the amount of \$1,500. Mr. Cooray commended Liliane Awadalla, Administrative Assistant, Business Office, for her hard work related to risk and safety operations in the District.

Bob Bruesch moved, Ronald Trabanino seconded, and the motion carried by a vote of 4 to 0, to approve Action Item C, as presented.

Vote:	Bob Bruesch	Yes
	Janet Chin	Yes
	Maureen Chin	Yes
	Henry Lo	Not present for the vote
	Ronald Trabanino	Yes

D. Public Hearing - District Interest-Based Initial Bargaining Proposal  
A public hearing opened at 8:13 p.m., and closed at 8:14 p.m., regarding Garvey District Interest-Based Initial Bargaining Proposal to Garvey Education Association for 2014-2015. There were no requests to speak.

E. Garvey School District Interest-Based Initial Bargaining Proposal  
On the motion Bob Bruesch, seconded by Maureen Chin, and carried by a vote of 5 to 0, the Board approved Garvey School District Interest-Based Initial Bargaining Proposal to Garvey Education Association for 2014-2015.

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

F. Public Hearing – GEA Interest-Based Initial Bargaining Proposal

A public hearing opened at 8:14 p.m., and closed at 8:15 p.m., regarding Garvey Education Association Interest-Based Initial Bargaining Proposal to Garvey School District for 2014-2015. There were no requests to speak.

G. Garvey Education Association Interest-Based Initial Bargaining Proposal

On the motion of Janet Chin, seconded by Ronald Trabanino, and carried by a vote of 5 to 0, the Board approved Garvey Education Association Interest-Based Initial Bargaining Proposal to Garvey School District for 2014-2015.

H. Expulsion/Suspended Expulsion of Student 14-15-02

On the motion of Janet Chin, seconded by Maureen Chin, and carried by a vote of 5 to 0, the Board waived the Board Bylaws regarding disclosure of the student name in the public session.

On the motion of Bob Bruesch, seconded by Maureen Chin, and carried by a vote of 5 to 0, the Board approved the expulsion of student 14-15-02, an 8<sup>th</sup> grade student at Garvey Intermediate School, for a period of one calendar year, effective February 27, 2015 until February 27, 2016.

The student expulsion is for violation of the following Education Code(s):

48900(c) – Unlawful possession of a controlled substance.

**PUBLIC AGENDA ITEMS:** None

**OTHER ITEMS OF INTEREST TO THE BOARD**

Bob Bruesch asked for clarification on the approval of the Comprehensive School Safety Plans and whether the plans included a section on sexual harassment relating to students taking explicit photos and sharing the photos among themselves.

Mr. Bruesch asked for clarification on the Title III Improvement Plan regarding the effectiveness of pull-out versus push-in English Language Development (ELD) programs. Additionally, Mr. Bruesch asked about the plan that helps English learners to meet the writing standard, the most challenging criterion in the reclassification process.

Janet Chin asked for a presentation on how the District handles bullying.

The following are future Board meetings and agenda topics. Closed session will begin at 6:30 p.m., and Public session to begin at 7:00 p.m.

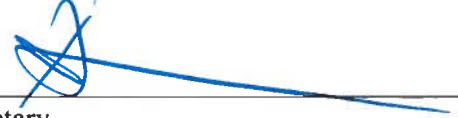
Meeting Date	Agenda Topic
March 12, 2015 (moved from 3/19)	
March 23 (Special)	
March 26 (Special)	

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no additional items, the meeting was adjourned at 8:23 p.m.

Henry Lo, President

Anita Chu, Secretary





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

Sonia Cleary  
Nora Cruz  
Olivia De Leon  
Michael Drange  
Charles Gonzalez  
Eden Gonzalez  
Eva Gonzalez  
Gloria Guzman  
Rene Hernandez  
Robin Libby  
Gloria Lopez  
Carol Mehochko  
Vincent Ng  
Athena Thai  
Joyce Tamanaha-Ho  
Carolyn Wong  
Chantal Yan