

CONSENT AGENDA - 1



Golden Valley USD Strategic Plan Goals:
Instruction and Assessment • Communication • Safety • Facilities • Finances

**GOLDEN VALLEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING
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Liberty High School · 12220 Road 36, Madera CA
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2011**

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MINUTES

5:00 PM

A. OPEN SESSION

1. CALL TO ORDER by President Toole at 5:05 p.m.
2. ATTENDANCE

	ARRIVE	LEAVE	ABSENT
Mark Toole, President	X_____	_____	_____
Mike Kelly, Clerk	X_____	_____	_____
Mona Díaz, Trustee	_____	_____	X_____
Brian Freeman, Trustee	X_____	_____	_____
Kathleen Crumpton, Trustee	X_____	_____	_____
Andy Alvarado, Superintendent	X_____	_____	_____
Jim Monreal, Chief Business Official	X_____	_____	_____

B. PUBLIC COMMENT ON CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

There were no public comments.

C. CLOSED SESSION The Board adjourned to a conference room for closed session to discuss the following:

1. Conference with real property negotiators (Government Code: 54956.8)
Property: **Gunner Ranch West**, Madera, Ca.
Negotiating parties: Harold Freiman, Lozano Smith and Gunner Ranch West Representatives
Under Negotiation: Agreement Correspondence
2. Personnel: Public Employee Appointment(s) (Government Code: 54957)
 - Appointments: LHS Track Coach
LHS JV Baseball Coach
3. Personnel: Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release/Transfer (Government Code: 54957)
4. Conference with Labor Negotiators (Government Code: §54957.6).
Agency designated representatives: Superintendent Andy Alvarado, Employee Organization(s): CSEA & GVTA.

6:30 PM

OPEN SESSION

D. The Board **RECONVENED** from Closed Session and reported the following action taken:

- Appointment of the LHS JV Baseball Coach

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E. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

F. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

The Board moved to approve the Agenda. *(Kelly/Crumpton)* Ayes: 4 Nays: 0 Absent: 1

G. BOARD/SUPERINTENDENT COMMENTS

Superintendent Alvarado invited the Board to the District Office Breakfast being held on Friday 11/18/2011 and a Holiday Open House on Saturday Dec. 3, 2011.

H. PRESENTATIONS

- **Liberty High School Student Board Report** – Jessica Lewis updated the Board on the Coats for Kids Drive and the LHS Football Playoff Game scheduled for 11/18/2011.

6:40 PM

I. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

There were no public comments.

J. ACTION ITEMS

1. APPROVAL, The addition of a professional development component to the Performance Matters Contract for the 2012/2013 school year. [Alvarado]

Superintendent Alvarado stated he conducted meetings with certificated staff members to introduce the professional development component to Performance Matters. He noted a certificated group was being formed to meet regularly with the Superintendent to discuss and review the current evaluation tool for revisions. He further noted the proposed professional development component would be categorically funded not general funded.

The Superintendent noted the Performance Matters component was not an evaluation tool but a tool to differentiate professional development for the teachers.

Sean Tovsrud noted concerns about changes to the evaluation tool and how student achievement would be addressed.

Teri Malmstrom stated the teachers had mixed feeling about the component before Andy meet with each site but that many of their questions had been addressed at the meetings.

Warren Parr stated he would like to see the community involved in the teacher evaluation tool conversation.

The Board moved to approve the professional development component to the Performance Matters Contract for the 2012/2013 school year noting it was not an evaluation tool for teachers. *(Kelly/Freeman)* Ayes: 4 Nays: 0 Absent: 1

K. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

1. CONSIDER/APPROVE, Resolution #2011-05 and Exhibit Regarding School Facilities for New Development. [Alvarado]

Mr. Freiman noted the changes to Resolution #2011-05 and Exhibit stating the plan would put systems in place to treat developers equally.

The Board stated they liked to idea of a Tiered plan.

Mr. Jeff Reid stated he appreciated the letter of invitation that was sent out to developers to address the Board on the proposed plan. He further noted that Gunner Ranch West wants to continue to work with the district. He also noted a few concerns and suggestions regarding the proposed Resolution and Exhibit.

Mr. Chris Campbell echoed Mr. Reid's comments and suggested revising some of the verbiage on the Resolution and Exhibit as it appeared to read "punitively".

Mr. Parr stated the district should look at function over appearances when addressing future schools.

Marie Sell stated she was concerned about a CFD district.

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Mr. Freiman stated the proposed Resolution and Exhibit was not the formation of a CFD District but included an avenue to have the discussion in the future.

The Board asked Mr. Freiman to re-word the document to not sound "punitive" and asked for opportunities to engage the community and developers in future conversations. The Board also stated they would like to see action on this item soon so money spent on attorneys could stay in the classroom. This item will return for action on Dec. 6, 2011.

2. INFORMATIONAL, Solar project update to include financing options. [Monreal]

Dr. Brown provided an update on the timeline and rebate application for the proposed Solar Project. Mr. Mark Farrell of Piper Jaffray provided financing options to the Board and explained the lease process. The Board discussed maintenance issues and interest rate concerns. The Board asked if the solar project portion for Sierra View Elementary could be completed with bond funds. Mr. Monreal stated he would check with the District's Bond Counsel.

The Board stated they were in favor of options 3 and 4 for potential financing. Mr. Farrell stated the Board could pursue both options at the same time until the COP Financing went to market. Superintendent Alvarado noted a Special Board Meeting will be needed on Dec. 20, 2011 to meet the timeline and approve the solar contract.

The Board moved item #5 for discussion before item #3.

5. INFORMATIONAL, TK-6 English & Language Arts adoption – MacMillian/McGraw-Hill/Glencoe – California Treasures. [Alvarado]

Superintendent Alvarado thanked the ELA Adoption Committee for their hard work and recommendation of California Treasures. He introduced Chelan Shepherd and Melanie Lewis from the committee to speak about the process and selection.

Mrs. Shepherd stated the committee had seven different publishers to review and the group quickly came down to two for further review. The Committee felt California Treasures rose to the top in the areas of writing and vocabulary.

Ms. Lewis spoke to the timeline of receiving the materials and professional development for the new curriculum. She also noted 70% of California has also chosen California Treasures for their ELA Adoption.

Superintendent Alvarado stated the funding of the ELA textbook adoption would be spread over three years and would include TK-6 only at this time. This item will return to the Board for action on Dec. 6, 2011.

The Board moved to extend the meeting to 10:30 p.m. (Kelly/Crumpton) Ayes: 4 Nays: 0 Absent: 1

3. CONSIDER/APPROVE, Classified growth position, Extended Day Program Paraprofessional from 2 hours to 3 hours per day. [Alvarado]

The Board moved to approve the classified growth position, Extended Day Program Paraprofessional from 2 hours to 3 hours per day. (Freeman/Kelly) Ayes: 4 Nays: 0 Absent: 1

4. INFORMATIONAL, First Interim Budget Update for the 2011/2012 school year. [Monreal]

Mr. Monreal provided an overview of the First Interim Budget for the 2011/2012 school year. This item will return to the Board for action on Dec. 6, 2011.

L. CONSENT AGENDA

ALL CONSENT AGENDA items are considered to be routine and are acted on by the Board of Trustees in one motion. There will be no separate discussion of items unless a Board member or citizen so requests, in which event, the item(s) will be considered following the approval of the Consent Agenda. It is understood that the Superintendent recommends approval of all consent agenda items. Each item on the consent calendar approved by the Board of Trustees shall be deemed to have been considered in full and adopted as recommended.

1. APPROVAL, Minutes from Regular Board Meeting 11/1/11 and Special Board Meeting 11/4/2011.

[Alvarado]

2. APPROVAL, Accounts Payable, Warrant List Report for the month of October. [Monreal]

3. APPROVAL, Quarterly Payroll Report for July, August and September. [Monreal]

4. APPROVAL, Overnight field trip request, Liberty High School band and choir to the Disneyland

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Performing Arts Workshop, March 15-17, 2012, Anaheim, Ca. [Alvarado]

5. APPROVAL, new and revised Board Policies:

- Revised Board Policy and Exhibit 6153 School-Sponsored Trips [Alvarado]
- Revised Board Policy 3550 Food Service/Child Nutrition Program [Monreal]
- Revised Board Policy 3553 Free and Reduced Price Meals [Monreal]
- Revised Board Policy 5022 Student and Family Privacy Rights [Alvarado]
- Revised Board Policy 6011 Academic Standards [Alvarado]
- Revised Board Policy 6163.2 Animals at School [Alvarado]
- Revised Board Policy 7310 Naming of Facility [Monreal]

6. APPROVAL, Gift(s) to the Golden Valley Unified School District. [Monreal]

- Library books gift to Liberty High School from Igal Treibatch on behalf of Greenleaf and Pegasus Orchards.
- Monetary gift to the Liberty High School ACE Mentoring program to help fund a field trip.
- Monetary gift to the Liberty High School Girls Tennis ASB, General ASB and Library from the PG&E Corporation Foundation.
- Monetary gift to the Liberty High School Wrestling ASB from the Wells Fargo Community Support Campaign.
- API Celebration shirts gift to Sierra View Elementary from Vulcan Material Company.
- Monetary gift to Ranchos Middle School General ASB from the PG&E Corporation Foundation.

The Board moved to approve the Consent Agenda with the exception of Item #5 due to a community member request. (*Crumpton/Kelly*) Ayes: 4 Nays: 0 Absent: 1

Ms. Sell expressed concern over safety with animals at school and the potential for dog bites. She shared a story about a dog bite to a student at an after school baseball game at Webster Elementary in the past. Superintendent Alvarado stated Board Policy 6163.2 Animals at School addressed animals in the classroom as a supplement for instruction or the possibility of an animal for special needs. He stated dogs that entered campuses were removed and animal control was typically called. He further noted his office would research any board policies that may address dogs on campus for safety reasons.

The Board moved to approve Consent Agenda Item #5. (*Kelly/Crumpton*) Ayes: 4 Nays: 0 Absent: 1

M. BOARD/SUPERINTENDENT'S COMMENTS/CONCERNS

There were none noted.

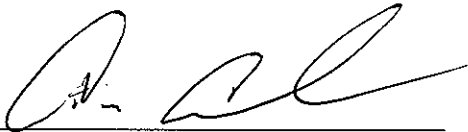
N. ADVANCE PLANNING

1. Review and update Board 12-month calendar.

Superintendent Alvarado stated presentations for the Cafeteria and Transitional Kindergarten would be included on the Dec. 6, 2011 Board Agenda.

ADJOURNMENT

The Board moved to adjourn at 10:30 p.m. (*Kelly/Crumpton*) Ayes: 4 Nays: 0 Absent: 1



Andrew G. Alvarado, Superintendent

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Vision: Golden Valley Unified School District is committed to creating and maintaining an innovative learning community based in excellence.

Mission: The mission of Golden Valley Unified School District is to provide our students the means to achieve to their highest potential within a caring, secure environment.

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