

GARVEY SCHOOL DISTRICT
Rosemead, California

Minutes of Regular Meeting
November 10, 2016

The Garvey Board of Education met in regular session on November 10, 2016, at the Education Center, 2730 N. Del Mar Ave., Rosemead, California.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m., by Board President Maureen Chin.

ROLL CALL

Present at the meeting were Mr. Bob Bruesch, Ms. Maureen Chin, Mr. Henry Lo (arrived at 6:50 p.m.), Ms. Keilley Meng, Mr. Ronald Trabanino (arrived at 6:50 p.m.), and Superintendent Anita Chu.

Also in attendance were Mr. Genaro Alarcon, Ms. Grace Garner, 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

Angela Rios led the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD FOR CLOSED SESSION AGENDA ITEMS: None

MOTION TO GO INTO CLOSED SESSION

On the motion of Bob Bruesch, seconded by Keilley Meng, and carried by a vote of 3 to 0, the Board adjourned at 6:31 p.m. to closed session and addressed those items posted on the agenda.

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

RECONVENE INTO PUBLIC SESSION

The Board reconvened in public at 7:01 p.m.

REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION

Maureen Chin indicated there was no action taken during closed session.

COMMUNICATIONS/REPORTS FROM THE BOARD AND SUPERINTENDENT

Anita Chu invited everyone to see the display in the District's lobby showcasing the work of a group of talented student artists who are sharing their life stories richly through visual arts. These students participated in a First District PTA art competition, "Reflections", championed by Angela Rios and the Garvey Council PTA. Ms. Chu commended the encouragement and support of Ms. Rios and the art teacher, Ms. Dale-Hogrebe. The Board presented certificates of recognition to contest student winners.

Ms. Chu thanked everyone for the passage of Bond Measure GA. The measure has received 79.17% approval support of the voters, the highest in the District's bond history. Ms. Chu expressed appreciation for the great team effort of Board members, teachers, classified staff, parents, students, and administrators. She thanked the community for the support and stated that the District is committed to optimizing the use of the bond resources to provide quality 21st century education to students. Board members were given promotional items for Measure GA (a visor and a bag) to memorialize the District's commitment to the community.

Bob Bruesch stated he is extremely happy to see the students involved in the PTA Reflections Arts Contest, especially the students from Maryvale who are so highly impacted by their transitional situation. He applauded the art teachers and Ms. Rios for reaching out to these students; he hopes that this encouragement of student participation continues.

Henry Lo stated he appreciates everyone for supporting Bond Measure GA with a significant percentage of votes and passing the two-third voter threshold. Ms. Lo stated the importance for this Board to go on record that the District will continue to meet its commitment to all students. He indicated that some students and families are concerned about the negative rhetoric coming from President-elect Donald Trump. Mr. Lo stated that our first priority is our students regardless of the changes on immigration policy. Bob Bruesch stated he would hope that the Board can relate to teachers and staff about how to talk to the students and parents who have expressed these concerns. Mr. Bruesch noted that the California Teachers Association (CTA) has some materials available on how to address these concerns and to have the kids understand that school is still a safe place. Ms. Chu indicated that the District will send a letter to parents to assure parents and students that Garvey values diversity and that our schools will remain as a safe place for all ethnicity groups. Mr. Bruesch stated that he would like to make a public statement to protest if any changes are made to the Common Core State Standards.

Keilley Meng thanked the Garvey community for passing Measure GA and Propositions 55 and 56. Maureen Chin reiterated the comments made by Board members regarding the safety of kids and the first and foremost commitment and assurance that everyone is committed to give students the education deserved regardless of what happens at the national level. Ms. Chin thanked all the people who endorsed Bond Measure GA. She thanked the Bond Committee members for their efforts to ensure that funds are available for the needed school repairs.

REPORT FROM UNION REPRESENTATIVES

- **Garvey Education Association (GEA)**

Ken Tang, President of Garvey Education Association, addressed the Board stating that in light of what went on this past week, he quoted Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., "Darkness cannot drive out darkness, only light can do that. Hate cannot drive hate, only love can do that."

Mr. Tang congratulated Angela Rios, and thanked Garvey Council PTA President, Martha Ruvalcaba, for the successful art projects. He is glad to see that the Garvey Council PTA is promoting the First District PTA Reflections contest. Mr. Tang congratulated all the student winners.

Mr. Tang stated that without the community coming together, passing of Bond Measure GA and propositions 55 and 58 could not be possible. He thanked the many people that supported and helped on this effort to avoid having budget cuts for some time. Mr. Tang noted that unfortunately there are some concerns on how to speak to students in terms of ensuring the safety of students and ensuring that students feel that they belong here and nothing will happen to them. Mr. Tang encouraged Board members to pass a policy or some sort of joint venture to assure the students' safety and prevent having separation concerns for the families.

Mr. Tang recommended having a Board policy that addresses some concerns on the security cameras in the classrooms which are only to protect our investment, especially at a time of implementing technology plan.

Mr. Tang spoke of many great things going on in the district that involve students, educators, teachers and staff and they all start from leadership efforts. He hopes to continue further on these efforts for the next few years.

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

REPORTS FROM DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVES

- **Garvey Council PTA (GCPTA)**

Martha Ruvalcaba, addressed the Board regarding PTA's logo, "*Every child one voice.*" She stated that we are the voice of our children. Ms. Ruvalcaba expressed sadness to see what students are facing and their fears about their future. She stated that GCPTA is willing to work with the District to pass on a message to parents that changes are okay and that students need to focus on what makes us productive. Ms. Ruvalcaba thanked everyone for participating in the art contest.

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

Ariadna Banuelos addressed the Board regarding the SELPA Community Advisory Committee, stating that the committee is re-building efforts to continue working as a committee. The committee's last meeting was October 10th. The SELPA director is introducing a new Individualized Education Program (IEP) pocket book for all parents. A CAC logo is being created and will soon become available for use. Ms. Banuelos stated that on November 9-10, 2016, SELPA hosted a conference about a technology device that she hopes our district will endorse to engage students to learn on any capacity.

Ms. Banuelos stated that the next CAC meeting will be November 14, 2016, at Temple City Unified School District. At this time, a meeting schedule and locations will be approved. Tentatively, the January meeting will be in Monrovia, the February meeting in San Gabriel, the March meeting in Arcadia, and the May meeting in South Pasadena. Everyone is invited to attend the CAC meetings. Ms. Banuelos spoke of mixer taking place around August 2016 which will cover different goals for the following year, the Brown Act training and updates to the CAC website. The Committee is also working on sending a needs assessment survey to parents and see what workshops can be made available.

Bob Bruesch stated that the Special Education program from Alhambra Unified School District received the State Golden Bell award, from CSBA, for their transition program which provides high school students with work skills and actual on-the-job training at various businesses in the community.

REPORT FROM HEAD START REPRESENTATIVE

Anita Chu, administrator in charge of Head Start/State Preschool Program, introduced and welcomed the newly elected Executive Committee of the Policy Committee (PC). Martha Pinedo stated that elections were held and 29 new parent representatives (one per classroom) were elected. All the committee positions were filled. Ms. Chu stated the importance of the partnership with the PC members to continue to grow the Head Start program.

Anita Chu congratulated the Head Start staff for maintaining full enrollment. Ms. Chu stated that the Bitely Head Start project is close to completion, awaiting for State Licensing to conduct a visit prior to final approval for relocation of the Head Start students from Duff School. A few positions are in the different stages of recruitment and selection, including the Director, a Health Specialist, an Accountant, and an Office Assistant. Interviews for

the Head Start Director position are scheduled for next week. Ms. Chu thanked the Head Start staff for their hard work in spite of these vacancies.

HEARING OF PERSONS IN THE AUDIENCE: None

CONSENT AGENDA

On the motion of Ronald Trabanino, seconded by Keilley Meng, and carried by a vote of 5 to 0, the Board approved the Consent Agenda as indicated below.

Vote:	Bob Bruesch	Yes
	Maureen Chin	Yes
	Henry Lo	Yes
	Keilley Meng	Yes
	Ronald Trabanino	Yes

A. Board/Superintendent

1. Approval of Minutes
Regular Meeting – October 13, 2016
Approved by a vote of 4-0-1 (Bob Bruesch abstained his vote).
2. Conference/Convention Attendance
It is recommended that the Board of Education approve requests for conference and convention attendance as presented. Approved.
3. Head Start/State Preschool Program – Policy Committee By-Laws (2016-2017)
It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the Head Start/State Preschool Program Policy Committee By-Laws for 2016-2017. Approved.
4. Head Start/State Preschool Budget Adjustment & Request for Advance Approvals (BAR/RAA) – One-Time Supplemental Funds (CLASS Professional Development & Coaching Program)
It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the Head Start/State Preschool BAR/RAA request for a one-time supplemental funding of \$48,750.28 to support the participation of teaching staff in the professional development and coaching program provided by LACOE on CLASS (Classroom Assessment Scoring System). Approved.
5. Contract – Anet Piridzhanyan, MS RD (Head Start/State Preschool Program Nutrition Consultation Services)
It is recommended that the Board of Education approve contract between Garvey School District Head Start/State Preschool and Anet Piridzhanyan, MS RD for nutrition consultation services, from November 14, 2016 through June 30, 2017. Total amount of contract is \$20,520.00 (373.09 hours at \$55.00 per hour) to be paid from Head Start funds. Approved.
6. Resolution No. 16-17-11 – Condemning Violence & Expressing Support for Muslim Students
It is recommended that the Board of Education adopt Resolution 16-17-11 – Condemning violence and hate speech, expressing support for Muslim students and those perceived as Muslims. Approved.

Henry Lo spoke in support of Resolution 16-17-11, Condemning Violence & Expressing Support for Muslim Students. He stated that although we might not have that many students in

the district, an affront to one group is an affront to any group, especially with the negative discourse on the national level these past 18 months.

On the motion of Bob Bruesch, seconded by Ronald Trabanino, and carried by a vote of 5 to 0, the Board approved Action Item 6, as presented.

Vote:	Bob Bruesch	Yes
	Maureen Chin	Yes
	Henry Lo	Yes
	Keilley Meng	Yes
	Ronald Trabanino	Yes

B. Human Resources

1. Personnel Assignment Order 16-17-06 - Revised

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the Personnel Assignment Report 16-17-06 as presented. Approved.

2. Contract Renewal Ratification – Frontline Technology Group LLC (AESOP Absence Reporting System) 2016-2017

It is recommended that the Board of Education ratify the contract renewal with Frontline Technology Group LLC for AESOP automated absence reporting system, at a cost of \$9,590.70 to be paid from General Fund. Approved.

C. Learning Support Services

1. Outdoor Education at YMCA Camp Surf (Willard School)

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve attendance for forty-nine sixth grade students, three teachers and two additional adult chaperones from Willard Elementary School to attend an outdoor education program at YMCA Camp Surf from May 24, 2017 through May 26, 2017, at an estimated cost of 9,312.50 to be paid by donations, ASB, PTA and Title I funds. Approved.

2. Contract – California State PTA (School Smarts Parent Engagement Program at Hillcrest School)

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the contract with California State PTA to provide a seven-session School Smarts Parent Engagement Program at Hillcrest School, from November 11, 2016 through June 30, 2017, at a total cost of \$3,050.00, to be paid from Title I funds. Approved.

D. Student Support Services – None

E. Business Services

1. Purchase Order Report 16-17-06

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve Purchase Order Report 16-17-06 as presented. Approved.

2. Appropriation Transfers

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the Appropriation Transfers as presented.

3. Memorandum of Understanding – Los Angeles County Office of Education (Enterprise Resource Planning System)
It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the Memorandum of Understanding with Los Angeles County Office of Education for implementation of a new Enterprise Resource Planning System which would provide comprehensive human capital management and financial services for the benefit of both LACOE and the District. Total estimated cost from 2016-17 through 2020-21 is \$275,040.14 (\$55,008 per year), to be paid from General Fund. Approved.
4. Resolution No. 16-17-12 – Annual Delegation of Administrative Authority to Process Routine Budget Revisions, Adjustments and Transfers
It is recommended that the Board of Education adopt Resolution No. 16-17-12 Annual Delegation of Administrative Authority to Process Routine Budget Revisions, Adjustments and Transfers. Approved.
5. Contract Amendment – Higginson Architects, Inc. (Bitely Head Start Building)
It is recommended that the Board of Education amend the contract with Higginson Architects, Inc. to increase the contract by \$15,400 due to additional required DSA changes for Bitely Head Start Building. The total cost of \$53,800 will be paid from Head Start Funds. Approved.
6. Contract Amendment – Wheeler Construction (Science Classroom at Temple Intermediate School)
It is recommended that the Board of Education amend contract with Wheeler Construction to increase the contract by \$20,800 due to additional changes for Science Classroom at Temple Intermediate School. Total cost of \$105,466 will be paid from the Facilities Fund. Approved.
7. Contract Ratification – Higginson Architects Inc. (Science Classroom at Temple Intermediate School)
It is recommended that the Board of Education ratify contract with Higginson Architects Inc. for architectural and engineering services for work done at Temple Intermediate School's Science classroom not to exceed \$5,000 to be paid from Facilities Fund. Approved.
8. Contract Ratification – SSD Alarms, Inc. (Alarm Upgrade)
It is recommended that the Board of Education ratify contract with SSD Alarms, Inc. to upgrade alarm systems at Bitely, Dewey, Hillcrest, Rice, and Willard Schools. Total amount not to exceed \$146,592 will be paid from Facilities Fund. Approved.
9. Contract Ratification – Bitely Head Start Project
It is recommended that the Board of Education ratify contract with various vendors specified for the Bitely Head Start Project. Total cost of \$110,734.70 will be paid from Head Start Funds. Approved.
10. Agreement Ratification – Neopost USA Company (Postage Machine)
It is recommended that the Board of Education ratify agreement with Neopost USA Company for lease of postage machine for districtwide mail. Cost of \$743.00 per quarter will be paid from General Fund. Approved.

11. Notice of Completion – Science Classroom Renovation at Temple Intermediate School (Wheeler Construction)
It is recommended that the Board of Education accept completion of Bid No. 09:1516 –Science Classroom Renovation at Temple Intermediate School by Wheeler Construction, at a cost of \$105,466.00 payable from Facilities Fund. Approved.
12. Notice of Completion – HVAC at Temple Intermediate School (Southwest Mechanical, Inc.)
It is recommended that the Board of Education accept completion of Bid No. 10:1516 – New HVAC Systems at Temple Intermediate School by Southwest Mechanical, Inc., at a cost of \$396,600.00 payable from Proposition 39 Fund. Approved.
13. Notice of Completion – Replacement HVAC at Various Schools (Southwest Mechanical, Inc.)
It is recommended that the Board of Education accept completion of Bid No. 06:1516 – Replacement of HVAC Systems in various classrooms at Bitely, Monterey Vista, Rice, Sanchez, and Williams Schools by Southwest Mechanical, Inc., at a cost of \$92,848.00 payable from Proposition 39 Fund. Approved.
14. Notice of Completion – Bitely Head Start Building (Silver Creek Industries, Inc.)
It is recommended that the Board of Education accept completion of Agreement No. 16:1516 – Modular 60’ x 40’ Daycare building with concrete foundation (Bitely Head Start Building) by Silver Creek Industries, Inc., at a cost of \$377,682.00 payable from Head Start Fund. Approved.
15. Notice of Completion – Bitely Head Start Building & Playground Installation (Wheeler Construction)
It is recommended that the Board of Education accept completion of Bid No. 07:1516 – Installation of Modular Head Start building and playground at Bitely School by Wheeler Construction, at a cost of \$ 314,840.75 payable from Head Start Fund. Approved.

REPORTS AND INFORMATION ITEM: None

ACTION ITEMS: None

OTHER ITEMS OF INTEREST TO THE BOARD

Bob Bruesch reminded everyone that Bitely School was built for solar energy, as shown by the shape of the roof. He suggested that a needs study be made quickly in order to not start new programs, but finishing the plans that started 25 years ago. Henry Lo asked to add to a future agenda a facility needs assessment to prepare a comprehensive report and use it as a tool to focus on priorities and maximizes the resources from Measure GA bond funds.

Henry Lo thanked President Maureen Chin for her leadership through the past year. Keilley Meng also thanked Ms. Chin and stated it has been a pleasure to serve as a Board member this past year. Ms. Meng wished everyone a happy Thanksgiving Day. Ms. Chin thanked everyone, Board Members, Superintendent, Cabinet Members, and staff for their support. She wished everyone a happy Thanksgiving Day.

Henry Lo indicated that there will be a press conference on Saturday, December 10, at Williams School, to formalize and celebrate the district’s partnership with East Los Angeles College (ELAC). The press conference is scheduled at 10:00 a.m., and there will also be program and community services booths at 9:00 a.m. Students, parents, and community members will have the opportunity to enroll in District and ELAC programs, such as the

English as a Second Language (ESL) classes for adults, the dual enrollment classes for 7th and 8th graders, and the Head Start program for ages 3 and 4. Mr. Bruesch noted that the ELAC classes will provide parents with acquisition of marketable job skills.

Maureen Chin thanked the members of the Head Start Policy Committee who attended the meeting tonight.

PUBLIC AGENDA ITEMS: None

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.

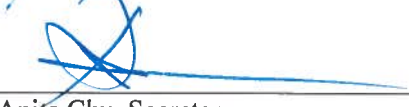
Meeting Date	Agenda Topic
December 8, 2016	Reorganization Meeting

ADJOURNMENT

There being no additional items, the meeting was adjourned at 8:05 p.m.



Maureen Chin, President



Anita Chu, Secretary

**REGISTER OF ATTENDANCE AT GARVEY SCHOOL DISTRICT
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Elizabeth Arreola
Ariadna Banuelos
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Carol Mehochko
Elizabeth Mendoza
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Martha L. Pinedo
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