



**GPA BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING**

June 15, 2021 - 5:00 p.m. (via Zoom)

Dr. Cecil H. Steppe Presiding

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Pete Chodzko, Michelle Evans, Rafael Hernandez, Jeremy Hurlbert, Myeisha Lobbins, Bud Mehan, Jacque Nevels, Mica Pollock, Vincent Riveroll and Cecil H. Steppe

**EXCUSED:**

Maria Cruz Avalos and Michael Rodrigues

**CALL TO ORDER:**

Dr. Steppe called the meeting to order at 5:06 p.m.

**AGENDA REVIEW (Board Chair Steppe):**

Board members reviewed the agenda items.

**ACTION ITEMS AND DISCUSSION ITEMS (Board Chair Steppe):**

1. **Review of the Minutes:** Board members reviewed the minutes from the May 18, 2021 and May 26, 2021 board meetings.

*Motion to approve May 18, 2021 and May 26, 2021 minutes m/s/c Mehan/Nevels 10  
In favor – 0 Abstention – None opposed Voice vote of board members.*

2. **Chairman's Report (Board Chair Steppe)**

Mr. Steppe read a letter to the GPA parents and community to express the GPA's Board response to previous board comments by parents and community members. It also explains how to access a complaint process for addressing concerns.

3. **Director's Report (Director Riveroll)**

Director Riveroll reminded everyone that this Friday is Graduation starting at 3:00 pm.

- a. Work Permit Policy:

AD Maples presented the newly created Work Permit Policy and explained a few

details about the policy. San Diego Unified will no longer issue the permits as of July 1, 2021, so GPA created its own policy.

*Motion for approval of GPA's Work Permit Policy m/s/c Mehan/Hernandez 10 In favor - 0 Abstention - None opposed Roll Call: Chodzko: aye; Evans: aye; Hernandez: aye; Hurlbert: aye; Lobbins: aye; Mehan: aye; Nevels: aye; Pollock: aye; Riveroll: aye; Steppe: aye*

b. Local Indicators:

Ms. Parsons explained the Local Indicators and this is an information item only. This document will be updated in Fall 2021 when additional data will be received from state testing. The Board received the information.

c. Local Control Accountability Plan/LCAP/LCP Update and Budget Overview for Parents:

Ms. Parsons explained the process for LCAP which is based on our charter goals and our WASC Accreditation Self-Study. This plan was shared with the board in May and has been taken to the School Site Council (SSC), as well. They are recommending approval.

*Motion for approval of GPA's Local Control Accountability Plan/LCAP/LCP Update and Budget Overview for Parents m/s/c Chodzko/Nevels 10 In favor - 0 Abstention - None opposed Roll Call: Chodzko: aye; Evans: aye; Hernandez: aye; Hurlbert: aye; Lobbins: aye; Mehan: aye; Nevels: aye; Pollock: aye; Riveroll: aye; Steppe: aye*

4. **Finance Committee Report (Board Member Chodzko/Tamayo)**

AD Chodzko spoke about how items are added to the agenda in the finance section after being completely vetted, in advance, by the Finance Committee.

a. Monthly Financials:

Mr. Tamayo presented the April financials to the board, which have been provided in advance to board members.

*Motion for acceptance of April's monthly financials as recommended by the Finance Committee m/s/c Finance Committee/Hurlbert 10 In favor - 0 Abstention - None opposed Roll Call: Chodzko: aye; Evans: aye; Hernandez: aye; Hurlbert: aye; Lobbins: aye; Mehan: aye; Nevels: aye; Pollock: aye; Riveroll: aye; Steppe: aye*

b. 2021-2022 Budget:

Mr. Tamayo presented the SDUSD budget template for 2021-2022 based on the May revise from the Governor. He talked about expected revenues along with expected expenditures for next school year with some one-time funds.

*Motion for approval of the GPA 2021-2022 Budget as recommended by the Finance Committee m/s/c Finance Committee/Nevels 9 In favor - 0 Abstention - None opposed  
Roll Call: Chodzko: aye; Evans: aye; Hernandez: aye; Hurlbert: aye; Lobbins: aye;  
Mehan: aye; Nevels: aye; Pollock: had to leave; Riveroll: aye; Steppe: aye*

c. 2021-2022 ExED Contract:

Ms. Parsons presented the ExED contract for 2021-2022 and explained about the additional work that ExED has done during the pandemic to run the school in a fiscally responsible manner. Dr. Mehan and Superintendent Riveroll complimented ExED for their great work.

*Motion for approval of the 2021-2022 ExED Contract as recommended by the Finance Committee m/s/c Finance Committee/Nevels 9 In favor - 0 Abstention - None opposed  
Roll Call: Chodzko: aye; Evans: aye; Hernandez: aye; Hurlbert: aye; Lobbins: aye;  
Mehan: aye; Nevels: aye; Pollock: had to leave; Riveroll: aye; Steppe: aye*

d. 2021-2022 EPA Spending Plan:

Ms. Parsons explained that the EPA (Education Protection Account) spending plan must comply with state law. These monies will go towards salaries and benefits of non-administrative certificated staff.

*Motion for approval of the GPA 2021-2022 EPA Spending Plan as recommended by the Finance Committee m/s/c Finance Committee/Nevels 9 In favor - 0 Abstention - None opposed  
Roll Call: Chodzko: aye; Evans: aye; Hernandez: aye; Hurlbert: aye; Lobbins: aye; Mehan: aye; Nevels: aye; Pollock: had to leave; Riveroll: aye; Steppe: aye*

e. 2021-2022 CharterSAFE Membership Renewal Proposal:

Ms. Parsons discussed the premium and also spoke to the training that CharterSAFE has provided over the past several years to GPA staff.

*Motion for approval of the GPA 2021-2022 CharterSAFE Membership Renewal Proposal as recommended by the Finance Committee m/s/c Finance Committee/Nevels 9 In favor - 0 Abstention - None opposed  
Roll Call: Chodzko: aye; Evans: aye; Hernandez: aye; Hurlbert: aye; Lobbins: aye; Mehan: aye; Nevels: aye;  
Pollock: had to leave; Riveroll: aye; Steppe: aye*

f. E-Rate - GPA Network:

AD Chodzko explained that GPA will be leaving the SDUSD Internet network and will instead use E-Rate to manage our own Internet network.

*Motion for approval of the GPA E-Rate - GPA Network as recommended by the Finance Committee m/s/c Finance Committee/Hernandez 9 In favor - 0 Abstention - None opposed Roll Call: Chodzko: aye; Evans: aye; Hernandez: aye; Hurlbert: aye; Lobbins: aye; Mehan: aye; Nevels: aye; Pollock: had to leave; Riveroll: aye; Steppe: aye*

**5. Public Comment on Non Agenda Items**

Ms. Parsons and AD Robinson read the public comments from the following 11 people during the meeting:

- a. Parents of GPA
- b. Class of 2021 Parent
- c. I Vote No on SDEA Union
- d. Parent of 11th Grade Student
- e. GPA Parents and Mothers
- f. No Union at GPA
- g. Ms. Word
- h. Kristie Chiscano
- i. San Diego Education Justice Warriors: Ellen Nash, Michelle Anderson and Eleanor Diggs
- j. Jessica Chapman
- k. Longtime GPA Parent and Supporter of Good Teachers Who Want to Do Right by Kids

**6. Closed Session (Board Chair Steppe)**

- a. Conference GPA Negotiating Team (Gov. Code & 54957.6) School Designated Representatives: J. Parsons, J. Levenson, A. Robinson, I. Limon, L. Maples, C. Cooley, S. Suarez Employee Organization: SDEA/CTA/NEA
- b. Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation (Gov. Code & 54956.9 (d)(1) San Diego Education Association, LA-CE-6531 & LA-DP-441

*No actions to report from Closed Session*

**7. Return to Open Session (Board Chair Steppe):**

No actionable items to report.

**8. Adjournment of Regular Meeting (Board Chair Steppe):**

*Motion for adjournment of Regular Meeting m/s/c Chodzko/Evans 9 In favor – 0  
Abstention – None opposed Roll Call: Chodzko: aye; Evans: aye; Hernandez: aye;  
Hurlbert: aye; Lobbins: aye; Mehan: aye; Nevels: aye; Pollock: had to leave; Riveroll:  
aye; Steppe: aye*

**Meeting was adjourned 8:15pm**

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<https://go.boarddocs.com/ca/gpa/Board.nsf/vpublic?open>