



GPA BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING

May 17, 2022 - 5:00 p.m. (via Zoom)

Dr. Cecil H. Steppe Presiding

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Pete Chodzko (left early), Rafael Hernandez, Jeremy Hurlbert, Myeisha Lobbins, Bud Mehan, Jacque Nevels, Mica Pollock (arrived later), Vincent Riveroll, Cecil H. Steppe and Viridiana Word (new member)

EXCUSED:

Maria Cruz Avalos, Michelle Evans, and Michael Rodrigues

CALL TO ORDER:

Dr. Steppe called the meeting to order at 5:07 p.m. and the roll was called.

AGENDA REVIEW (Board Chair Steppe):

Board members reviewed the agenda items.

ACTION ITEMS AND DISCUSSION ITEMS (Board Chair Steppe):

1. **Moved into Closed Session at 5:09 pm (Board Chair Steppe)**
 - a. Conference GPA Negotiating Team (Gov. Code § 54957.6) School Designated Representatives: L. Maples, J. Levenson, A. Robinson, I. Limon, M. Evans, S. Suarez, D. Garcia, P. Chodzko, J. Hurlbert, M. Davis, C. H. Steppe
Employee Organization:
SDEA/CTA/NEA

No actions to report from Closed Session

2. **Returned to Open Session at 6:00 pm (Board Chair Steppe)**

3. **Review of the Minutes:**

Board members reviewed the minutes from the March 15, 2022 board meeting.

Motion to approve March 15, 2022 minutes m/s/c Hurlbert/Nevels 10 In favor – 0 Abstention – None opposed Roll Call: Avalos: aye, Chodzko: aye; Evans: aye;

Hernandez: aye; Hurlbert: aye; Lobbins: aye; Mehan: ; Nevels: aye; Pollock: aye; Riveroll: aye; and Steppe: aye

4. Superintendent's Report (Superintendent Riveroll)

Director/Superintendent Riveroll introduced Chief Business Officer Parsons to speak about the Local Control and Accountability Plan for 2022-2023. He also reminded everyone of the in-person graduation that will take place next Friday at 10:00 am on the GPA Field of Dreams.

a. Local Control and Accountability Plan 2022-2023:

Chief Business Officer Parsons explained the Plan and the updated data from the last school year. This plan is for information at this time. The School Site Council is working through it now too, for first approval. Board approval will be requested at the June meeting.

5. Chairman's Report (Board Chair Steppe)

Dr. Steppe explained that the agreement was discussed in closed session and now needs approval.

a. Ratification of Collective Bargaining Agreement with SDEA 2022-2023:

AD Robinson.

Motion for approval of Ratification of Collective Bargaining Agreement with SDEA 2022-2023 m/s/c Nevels/Pollock 8 In favor - 0 Abstention - None opposed

Roll Call: Hernandez: aye; Hurlbert: aye; Lobbins: aye; Mehan: yes; Nevels: yes; Pollock: aye; Riveroll: aye; and Steppe: yes

6. Finance Committee Report (Board Member Chodzko/Tamayo)

Chief Business Officer Parsons explained 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 March financials to the board, which have been provided in advance to board members. He explained the ADA considering the impact of the pandemic and the drop in enrollment this year.

Motion for acceptance of March's monthly financials as recommended by the Finance Committee m/s/c Finance Committee/Nevels 8 In favor - 0 Abstention - None opposed

Roll Call: Hernandez: aye; Hurlbert: aye; Lobbins: aye; Mehan: aye; Nevels: aye; Pollock: aye; Riverroll: aye; and Steppe: aye

b. Update to the Fiscal Policies and Procedures:

Chief Business Office Parsons presented the Update to the Fiscal Policies and Procedures, which had been provided in advance to board members. Updates the amount that requires board approval to \$60,000 versus \$25,000.

Motion for approval of the Update to the Fiscal Policies and Procedures as recommended by the Finance Committee m/s/c Finance Committee/Hurlbert 8 In favor - 0 Abstention - None opposed Roll Call: Hernandez: aye; Hurlbert: aye; Lobbins: aye; Mehan: aye; Nevels: aye; Pollock: aye; Riverroll: aye; and Steppe: aye

c. Chromebooks Purchase:

Chief Business Officer Parsons explained that GPA needs to purchase 250 new Chromebooks to replace outdated or broken devices in order to make sure that all students have a computer for their learning.

Motion for approval of the Chromebooks Purchase as recommended by the Finance Committee m/s/c Finance Committee/Lobbins 8 In favor - 0 Abstention - None opposed Roll Call: Hernandez: aye; Hurlbert: aye; Lobbins: aye; Mehan: aye; Nevels: aye; Pollock: aye; Riverroll: aye; and Steppe: aye

d. Draft Budget 2022-2023:

Chief Business Officer Parsons spoke about the Draft Budget. This is an information item now and final approval will be requested at the June meeting.

7. Board Affairs Committee Report (Board Member Nevels)

a. New Member Nomination

Chief Business Officer Parsons introduced Ms. Viridiana Word who was recommended by the Board Affairs Committee as a new GPA Board Member.

Motion for approval of the new member as recommended by the Board Affairs Committee m/s/c Nevels on behalf of Board Affairs Committee/Hernandez 8 In favor - 0 Abstention - None opposed Roll Call: Hernandez: aye; Hurlbert: aye; Lobbins: aye; Mehan: aye; Nevels: yes; Pollock: aye; Riverroll: aye; and Steppe: yes

8. Public Comment on Non Agenda Items (Board Chair Steppe)

Chief Business Officer Parsons said there weren't any public comments.

9. Adjournment of Regular Meeting (Board Chair Steppe):

Dr. Steppe asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting.

*Motion for adjournment of Regular Meeting m/s/c Word/Nevels 10 In favor – 0
Abstention – None opposed Roll Call: 8 In favor - 0 Abstention - None opposed Roll
Call: Hernandez: aye; Hurlbert: aye; Lobbins: aye; Mehan: aye; Nevels: aye; Pollock:
aye; Riveroll: aye; Steppe: aye; and Word: aye*

Meeting was adjourned at 6:31 pm

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