



# GOMPERS PREPARATORY ACADEMY

A UCSD PARTNERSHIP SCHOOL

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## **GPA BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING**

March 21, 2017 - 5:00 p.m.

GPA Wingspan; Cecil H. Steppe Presiding

### **MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Cecil H. Steppe, Mica Pollock, Myeisha Lobbins, Bud Mehan, Anne Spitzberg, Maria Cruz Avalos, Michelle Evans and Vincent Riveroll.

### **EXCUSED:**

Jacque Nevels, Pete Chodzko, Jeremy Hurlbert, and Michael Rodrigues.

### **GUESTS, VISITORS AND STAFF PRESENT:**

John Bartholomew, Jane Firpo, Paz Garcia Ramirez, Lisa Maples, Jenny Parsons, Melissa Bitanga, Sandra Meza and Anne Robinson.

### **CALL TO ORDER:**

The meeting was called to order at 5:13p.m. by Mr. Steppe. He asked for any public comments and there were none. Board members reviewed the agenda items and minutes from the January 17, 2017 board meeting.

*Motion to approve January's Minutes m/s/c Pollock/Lobbins 7 In favor – 1 Abstention – None opposed*

### **CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:**

No report submitted.

### **DIRECTOR'S REPORT:**

- Board watched a tribute video to Lucy Killea's Legacy and contributions to GPA.
- On March 10, 2017 the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services presented at GPA Parent Preparatory Academy on immigration and answered questions and concerns from parents, students, staff and community members.
- GPA class of 2017, Coast Guard appointee, Ruben Castillo-Delgado is currently visiting Coast Guard Academy in Connecticut.
- Several male students have begun attending ballet classes at the Scripps Performing Arts Academy.
- Two GPA students are participating in San Diego Junior Theater and are starring in musicals at Balboa Park.
- Director discussed the college acceptance data at GPA. Since 2012, we have seen an increase from less than 40% to almost 90% acceptance percentages for seniors going into 4-year universities.
- Eleventh grade student, Muhammad El-Arbi, was one of 100 students in the United States who was selected to participate in the Disney Dreamers Academy.
- As a gift of gratitude to the GPA staff, the staff lounge and copy room were updated.

- Currently, fifty-one seniors have been accepted to UCSD. The Board watched the class of 2017 “wing” ceremony, which was performed at the high school honor roll, highlighting the 99 seniors who have been accepted to a 4-year university.
- Coming up at GPA, on April 7, 2017 State Assemblywoman, Lorena Gonzalez-Fletcher will be visiting campus.
- Twenty-three students in grades 6-11 are participating in The League of Amazing Programmers, a 5-year program that ends with Java programming certification.
- Dr. Mehan thanked Director Riveroll for all of the hard work behind all that has been accomplished by Gompers Preparatory Academy.

A. PowerSchool Contract

- Student information system with staff, student and parent elements, contract was reviewed.

*Motion for acceptance of PowerSchool Contract m/s/c Finance Committee/Spitzberg 8 In favor – 0 Abstentions – None opposed*

B. Off Campus Office Space (Tenant improvement and lease terms)

- Discussion occurred around who would be moving, enrollment growth patterns and need for additional space.

*Motion for acceptance of Off Campus Office Space (Tenant improvement and lease terms) m/s/c Finance Committee/Mehan 7 In favor – 1 Abstentions – None opposed*

C. College Readiness Grant Plan – Second Reading

- Plan and impact measures were reviewed.

*Motion for acceptance of College Readiness Grant Plan m/s/c Spitzberg /Mehan 8 In favor – 0 Abstentions – None opposed*

**FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT:**

A. Mrs. Parsons reviewed the monthly financials.

*Motion for acceptance of monthly financials m/s/c Evans/Mehan 8 In favor – 0 Abstentions – None opposed*

B. 2016-2017 Con App Pt. 1:

Mrs. Parsons introduced the 2016-2017 Con App Pt. 1.

*Motion for approval of First Interim Financial Report m/s/c Evans/Spitzberg 8 In favor – 0 Abstentions – None opposed*

C. Second Interim Report:

Mrs. Parsons introduced the Second Interim report.

*Motion for approval of Second Interim Financial Report m/s/c Spitzberg/Lobbins 8 In favor – 0 Abstentions – None opposed*

D. Form 990:

Mrs. Parsons introduced form 990.

*Motion for approval of Form 990 m/s/c Finance Committee/Evans 8 In favor – 0 Abstentions – None opposed*

E. 3<sup>rd</sup> Party Auditor Renewal:

Mrs. Parsons presented the contract for our 3<sup>rd</sup> party audit renewal.

*Motion for approval of 3<sup>rd</sup> Party Auditor m/s/c Pollock/Evans 8 In favor – 0 Abstentions – None opposed*

**EDUCATION COMMITTEE REPORT:**

No report submitted. At this time, Mica Pollock will be the Chair of the Education Committee.

**DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE REPORT:**

No report submitted. Director shared that Mr. Bersin continues to donate to the Junior College road trip and this year donated \$15,000.

**BOARD AFFAIRS COMMITTEE:**

No report submitted.

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT:**

No report submitted.

Mr. Steppe opened the meeting for questions. Director shared that on May 10<sup>th</sup>, there will be a Naturalization Ceremony at Gompers Preparatory Academy. On the same afternoon, cast members from the Broadway musical *Jersey Boys* will be hosting a master class for GPA students.

*Motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:29 p.m. m/s/c Evans/Steppe 8 In favor – 0 Abstentions – None opposed*