



**GPA BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING**

September 17, 2019 - 5:00 p.m.

GPA Wingspan; Dr. Cecil H. Steppe Presiding

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Cecil H. Steppe, Maria Cruz Avalos, Pete Chodzko, Michelle Evans, Jeremy Hurlbert, Myeisha Lobbins, Bud Mehan, Jacque Nevels, Mica Pollock, Vincent Riveroll, Michael Rodriguez and Anne Spitzberg.

**EXCUSED:**

Rafael Hernandez

**CALL TO ORDER:**

Dr. Steppe called the meeting to order at 5:02 p.m. He reminded all in attendance of the protocol for public comment on non-agenda items.

**PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS:**

The following people spoke during Public Comment, about non-agenda items:

1. Citizen
2. Jessica Chapman
3. Sean Bentz
4. Viridiana Word
5. Therresah Rodriguez
6. Victor Ramirez
7. Azucena Garcia
8. Vallery Campos
9. Bill Freeman
10. Shamika Shropshire

**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 June 11, 2019 board meeting.

*Motion to approve June 11, 2019's minutes m/s/c Evans/Mehan 12 In favor – 0 Abstention – None opposed*

2. **Chairman's Report (Board Chair Steppe):**  
No report presented.

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

Written Director's Report was provided prior to Board meeting and available via GPA's Website. Ms. Parsons showed a short video that OTI created to show construction progress on new athletic facilities and event center. Construction is being funded by SDUSD Prop Z funds and the hope is for it to be open by June 2020. Following this construction, a new two-story classroom building will be built, replacing most of our existing bungalow classrooms. The heating/air conditioning project is almost complete, with all classrooms and office spaces now having central air/heating.

- a. Parental Involvement Policy

Ms. Parsons spoke about GPA's Parental Involvement Policy, that requires annual Board review and approval.

*Motion for approval of GPA's Parental Involvement Policy m/s/c Chodzko/Evans 12 In favor – 0 Abstentions – None opposed*

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

Mr. Chodzko called the board's attention to the financial reports on Board Docs.

- a. Monthly Financials:

Mr. Chodzko spoke about June's financials. Board members reviewed June's finances on Board Docs.

*Motion for acceptance of June's monthly financials as recommended by the Finance Committee m/s/c Finance Committee/Hurlbert 12 In favor – 0 Abstentions – None opposed*

b. 2018-2019 Unaudited Actuals:

Mr. Tamayo spoke about the unaudited actuals. GPA finished with a negative balance due to unexpected legal costs. The unaudited actuals were submitted to the district last week. The audited actuals will be presented at November's meeting.

*Motion for approval of the 2018-2019 Unaudited Actuals m/s/c Finance Committee/Nevels 12 In favor – 0 Abstentions – None opposed*

c. 2019-2020 EPA Spending Plan:

Mr. Tamayo spoke about the spending plan that sets an amount aside for non-administrative expenses.

*Motion for approval of the 2019-2020 EPA Spending Plan m/s/c Finance Committee/Lobbins 12 In favor – 0 Abstentions – None opposed*

d. Good-Men Roofing & Construction, Inc. Application & Certificate for Payment:

Ms. Parsons spoke about Prop 39e grant that has funded several energy efficiency projects on campus. Good-Men replaced the roof on the cafeteria/kitchen building, reducing heat retention for that building. This project is grant funded, so this expense is covered the grant.

*Motion for approval of Good-Men Roofing & Construction, Inc. Application & Certificate for Payment m/s/c Finance Committee/Rodrigues 12 In favor – 0 Abstentions – None opposed*

e. Chromebook Purchases:

Mr. Chodzko spoke about a Chromebook proposal to update 350 Chromebooks for students at GPA.

*Motion for approval of the Chromebook Purchases m/s/c Finance Committee/Lobbins 12 In favor – 0 Abstentions – None opposed*

f. Classroom Technology Purchases:

Mr. Chodzko spoke about the Promethean Boards on campus and replacing six aging Promethean Boards with interactive TV screens.

*Motion for approval of the Classroom Technology Purchases m/s/c Finance Committee/Evans 12 In favor – 0 Abstentions – None opposed*

**5. Education Committee Report (Board Member Pollock):**

Dr. Pollock deferred to Mr. Bartholomew. He said the Education Committee met and discussed data, updates on curriculum, and other ideas for improving academic achievement at GPA.

**6. Development Committee Report (Board Member Nevels):**

Ms. Nevels spoke about the giving season being from October-December and the need to market GPA as a place to donate to. Mr. Hernandez has volunteered to work with Ms. Nevels. Parents and staff members are welcome to help too.

**7. Board Affairs Committee Report (Board Member Steppe):**

No report presented.

**8. Executive Committee Report (Board Member Steppe):**

No report presented.

**9. Closed Session (Board Member Steppe):**

Citizen: spoke to the board before Closed Session regarding the union and the need to keep GPA special in any contract that is approved

A. Conference GPA Negotiating Team Agency Designated Representatives, Employee Organization: SDEA/CTA/NEA, Government Code Section 54957.6

**10. Return to Open Session (Board Member Steppe):**

No actionable items to report

**11. Adjournment of Regular Meeting (Board Member Steppe):**

**Meeting was adjourned at 7:35 pm**

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