



GPA BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING

January 19, 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, Michael Rodrigues, and Anne Spitzberg

CALL TO ORDER:

Dr. Steppe called the meeting to order at 5:03 p.m.

AGENDA REVIEW (Board Chair Steppe):

Board members reviewed the agenda items.

ACTION ITEMS AND DISCUSSION ITEMS - 20 MINUTE TOTAL LIMIT ON PUBLIC

COMMENT (Board Chair Steppe):

1. **Review of the Minutes:** Board members reviewed the minutes from the November 17, 2020 and December 14, 2020 board meetings.

Motion to approve November 17, 2020 and December 14, 2020 minutes m/s/c Mehan/ Pollock 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

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

No report given

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

Director Riveroll began with remarks honoring the passing of GPA Athletic Director Jim Winters, with AD Chodzko sharing reflections on the many ways Mr. Winters impacted GPA students, families, and staff. Director then expressed gratitude for

everyone's efforts in supporting the On-Loan Founders. Dr. Steppe suggested naming part of the new buildings in Mr. Winters' honor.

a. Comprehensive School Safety Plan:

AD Hurlbert presented the annual update to the plan for approval.

Motion to approve Comprehensive School Safety Plan m/s/c Evans/Chodzko 10 In favor – 0 Abstention – None opposed Roll Call: Avalos: aye, Chodzko: aye, Evans: aye; Hernandez: aye; Hurlbert: aye; Lobbins: aye; Mehan: aye; Nevels: aye; Pollock: aye; Riveroll: aye; Steppe: yes

b. Written Emergency Action Plan:

AD Hurlbert presented the annual update to the plan for approval.

Motion to approve Written Emergency Action Plan m/s/c Hernandez/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: yes

c. Human Trafficking Awareness Policy:

AD Maples reported about the new policy and the training that staff has gone through. This will also include appropriate grade level learning through the sexual education program.

Motion to approve Human Trafficking Policy m/s/c Chodzko/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: yes

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

AD Chodzko spoke to the changes from the Governor's January budget recommendations. He recommended conservative spending in the months ahead, since the May Revise could end up being very different from earlier projections from the State.

a. Monthly Financials:

AD Chodzko presented the November financials, recommended by the Finance Committee for approval.

Motion for acceptance of November's monthly financials as recommended by the Finance Committee m/s/c Finance Committee/Mehan 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; Riverroll: aye; Steppe: yes

b. New GPA Marquee:

Item withdrawn by staff

5. Public Comment on Non Agenda Items

Public comment from the following people was read aloud during the meeting

- a. Sofia Martinez
- b. Tom Kellinoi
- c. Jorge Loera
- d. Jessica Chapman
- e. Azucena Garcia
- f. Ronald Clark
- g. Trevor Snell
- h. Mary Davis
- i. Alexandra Mobley
- j. Adam Lake
- k. Max Zhang
- l. Jessica Rojas
- m. Trisha Harding
- n. Kelly Martinez
- o. Cheryl Carr
- p. Jameia Johnson
- q. Elena Facchinei
- r. Valery Campos
- s. Lauren Walker
- t. Theresa Rodriguez
- u. Father tired of the union
- v. Very upset mother
- w. James Harding
- x. Victoria Canto
- y. Chris Murray
- z. Eunice Beltran
- aa. Viridiana Word
- bb. Cielo Garat
- cc. Kristie Chiscano
- dd. Katie Engstrom
- ee. Erin Eickhorst
- ff. Tynesha Sett
- gg. Kristopher Kleeb

hh. Andrea Smith

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

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 10 In favor – 0 Abstention – None opposed Roll Call: Chodzko: aye; Evans: aye, Hernandez: aye; Hurlbert: aye; Mehan: aye; Nevels: aye; Pollock: aye; Riveroll: aye; Steppe: aye

Meeting was adjourned 6:48 pm

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