



GPA BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING

May 16, 2023 - 6:00 p.m. (in person)

Dr. Cecil H. Steppe Presiding

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Pete Chodzko, Rafael Hernandez, Jeremy Hurlbert, Jacqueline Nevels, Mica Pollock, Vincent Riveroll, Cecil H. Steppe and Viridiana Word

EXCUSED:

Maria Cruz Avalos, Michelle Evans, Myeisha Lobbins, Bud Mehan, Michael Rodrigues, and Anne Spitzberg

CALL TO ORDER:

Board Chair Steppe called the meeting to order at 6:20 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. Review of the Minutes: (Board Chair Steppe)

Board members reviewed the minutes from the March 21, 2023 board meeting.

*Motion to approve March 21, 2023 minutes m/s/c Hurlbert/Nevels 8 In favor –
0 Abstention – None opposed Roll Call: Chodzko: aye; Hernandez: aye; Hurlbert: aye;
Nevels: aye; Pollock: aye; Riveroll: aye; Steppe: aye; and Word: aye*

2. Chairman's Report (Board Chair Steppe)

a. Sunshine additional topics of bargaining proposed by SDEA:

Chief Levenson explained that SDEA sent over their Sunshine proposal of bargaining items.

3. Superintendent's Report (Superintendent Riveroll)

Superintendent Riveroll reported that board members received the Director's report in advance and highlighted these items. The Class of 2023 had a 91% acceptance rate to 4-year universities. Fifty-one GPA seniors were accepted into UCSD and 44 received the prestigious Chancellor's Associates Scholarship. Two seniors received the Gates Millennial Scholarship. Next Friday, May 26th is GPA's Graduation at 10:00 am on the Field of Dreams.

a. Draft 2022-2023 Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP):

Chief Levenson explained that everyone has received the draft in their packet and it will be voted on at the June 20th board meeting. This will include the monies once the GPA budget has been approved. Director thanked Chief Levenson for all her hard work on this plan.

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

Board Member Chodzko 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, which have been provided in advance to board members. He also presented the preliminary budget for 2023-2024 and answered questions.

Motion for acceptance of March's monthly financials as recommended by the Finance Committee m/s/c Chodzko/Nevels 8 In favor – 0 Abstention – None opposed Roll Call: Chodzko: aye; Hernandez: aye; Hurlbert: aye; Nevels: aye; Pollock: aye; Riveroll: aye; Steppe: aye; and Word: aye

b. Form 990:

Mr. Tamayo explained the Form 990 Income Tax Returns that provides the public with financial information about a nonprofit organization. The returns matched the recent GPA audit.

Motion for approval of Form 990 as recommended by the Finance Committee m/s/c Chodzko/Hurlbert 8 In favor – 0 Abstention – None opposed Roll Call: Chodzko: aye; Hernandez: aye; Hurlbert: aye; Nevels: aye; Pollock: aye; Riveroll: aye; Steppe: aye; and Word: aye

c. 2023-24 EXED Notice of Terms Supplement:

Board Member Chodzko introduced Chief Levenson who discussed the fees that EXED will charge for 2023-2024. Superintendent Riveroll complimented the work that EXED has done since 2005.

Motion for approval of 2023-24 EXED Notice of Terms Supplement as recommended by the Finance Committee m/s/c Chodzko/Hernandez 8 In favor – 0 Abstention – None opposed Roll Call: Chodzko: aye; Hernandez: aye; Hurlbert: aye; Nevels: aye; Pollock: aye; Riveroll: aye; Steppe: aye; and Word: aye

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

Michelle Anderson made a public comment on a non-agenda time.

6. Public Comment on Closed Session Items (Board Chair Steppe):

Sean Bentz made a public comment on closed session agenda item a.

7. Closed Session began at 7:00 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, C. H. Steppe
Employee Organization: SDEA/CTA/NEA

- b. Conference with Legal Counsel - Existing Litigation (Gov. Code Section 54956.9(d)(1) 1 Matter - Gompers Preparatory Academy and Group of Employees and San Diego Education Association, CTA/NEA, Case No. LA-DP-465-E

8. Returned to Open Session at 7:20 pm (Board Chair Steppe)

There was nothing to report out from closed session.

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 Hurlbert/Word 8 In favor – 0 Abstention – None opposed Roll Call: Chodzko: aye; Hernandez: aye; Hurlbert: aye; Nevels: aye; Pollock: aye; Riveroll: aye; Steppe: aye; and Word: aye

Meeting was adjourned at 7:27pm

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