



GPA BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING
November 14, 2023 - 5:30 p.m. (in person)
Dr. Cecil H. Steppe Presiding

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Pete Chodzko, Michelle Evans, Jeremy Hurlbert, Myeisha Lobbins, Bud Mehan, Mica Pollock, Vincent Riveroll, Cecil H. Steppe and Viridiana Word

EXCUSED:

Maria Cruz Avalos, Rafael Hernandez, Jacque Nevels, Michael Rodrigues and Anne Spitzberg

CALL TO ORDER:

Board Chair Steppe called the meeting to order at 5:37 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 September 19, 2023 board meeting.

Motion to approve September 19, 2023 minutes m/s/c Chodzko/Lobbins 9 In favor – 0 Abstention – None opposed Roll Call: Chodzko: aye; Evans: aye; Hurlbert: aye; Lobbins: aye; Bud Mehan: aye; Mica Pollock: aye; Riveroll: aye; Steppe: aye; and Word: aye.

2. Chairman's Report (Board Chair Steppe)

No report submitted.

3. Superintendent's Report (Superintendent Riveroll)

Superintendent Riveroll reported that board members received the Director's report in advance. Superintendent Riveroll introduced Chief Levenson to speak on the items below.

a. Conflict of Interest Code:

Chief Levenson explained the updated Conflict of Interest Code from the California Department of Education (CDE).

Motion to approve the Board Resolution and the amended Conflict of Interest Code m/s/c Evans/Word 9 In favor – 0 Abstention – None opposed

Roll Call: Chodzko: aye; Evans: aye; Hurlbert: aye; Lobbins: aye; Bud Mehan: aye; Mica Pollock: aye; Riveroll: aye; Steppe: aye; and Word: aye.

b. ELOP Grant:

Chief Levenson presented the Expanded Learning Opportunities Program Plan to be used with the GPA Encore Program.

Motion to approve ELOP Plan m/s/c Chodzko/Lobbins 9 In favor – 0 Abstention – None opposed Roll Call: Chodzko: aye; Evans: aye; Hurlbert: aye; Lobbins: aye;

Bud Mehan: aye; Mica Pollock: aye; Riveroll: aye; Steppe: aye; and Word: aye.

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

Ms. Word 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 September financials, which have been provided in advance to board members.

Motion for acceptance of September's monthly financials as recommended by the Finance Committee m/s/c Finance Committee/Evans 9 In favor – 0 Abstention –

None opposed Roll Call: Chodzko: aye; Evans: aye; Hurlbert: aye; Lobbins: aye; Bud Mehan: aye; Mica Pollock: aye; Riveroll: aye; Steppe: aye; and Word: aye.

b. December/January Increases:

Mr. Chodzko introduced Superintendent Riveroll who proposed December and January increases for GPA staff. These new increases include an additional 5% stipend for all staff to be paid on December 15th and a generous updated salary table for certificated staff to become effective January 2024.

Motion for approval of the December/January Increases as recommended by the Finance Committee m/s/c Finance Committee/Hurlbert 8 In favor – 1 Abstention

– None opposed Roll Call: Chodzko: aye; Evans: aye; Hurlbert: aye; Lobbins: aye; Bud Mehan: aye; Mica Pollock: aye; Riveroll: aye; Steppe: yes; and Word: abstain..

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

No public comments were received.

6. 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 Chodzko/Evans 9 In favor – 0
Abstention – None opposed Roll Call: Roll Call: Chodzko: aye; Evans: aye; Hurlbert: aye;
Lobbins: aye; Bud Mehan: aye; Mica Pollock: aye; Riveroll: aye; Steppe: yes; and Word: aye..*

Meeting was adjourned at 6:24 pm

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