

Glendora Unified School District
MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
January 14, 2019

Vice President Mrs. Reuter called the regular meeting of the Glendora Unified School District Board of Education to order at 7:02 p.m. in the Community Board Room, Glendora Unified School District, 500 North Loraine, Glendora, CA 91741.

Board Members Present:

Elizabeth Reuter, Vice President
Robin Merkley, Clerk
Zondra Borg, Member
Rukshan Fernando, Ph.D., Member

Absent:

Cory Ellenson, President

District Administrators Present:

Robert Voors, Ed.D., Superintendent
Marc Chaldu, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services
Dominic DiGrazia, Ed.D. Assistant Superintendent, Personnel Services
Michelle Hunter, Assistant Superintendent, Educational Services
Becky Summers, Ed.D., Director, Educational Services

AGENDA

Upon a motion by Mrs. Merkley, seconded by Dr. Fernando, the Board of Education unanimously approved to adopt the agenda as presented.

REPORT OF CLOSED SESSION

The Board of Education met in closed session to discuss the following items. No action was taken.

- Negotiations with the Glendora Teachers Association, the California School Employees Association and unrepresented employees (Designated Representatives: Marc Chaldu, Dominic DiGrazia, Michelle Hunter and Rob Voors).
- Employee Discipline Dismissal Release
- Pending Litigation Settlement Pursuant to Government Code Section § 54957.1 (a)(3) OAH Case No. 2018080218/2018100541
- AB167 Foster Youth Graduation Requirements Waiver Request

RECOGNITION SECTION

Dr. Dominic DiGrazia introduced Dr. Becky Summers and Mr. Ron Letourneau to recognize the following Adult Education Program staff members: Olga Habayeb ESL Teacher, Debbie Walter, ESL Aide; Katie Montemayor, ESL Aide; Jon Willert, High School Diploma Program Teacher; Shannon Greer, Mommy and Me Teacher; Kristin Friend, Mommy and Me Aide.

Dr. Fernando commented on the work that the Adult Education staff does with the students commending them for their commitment; he stated that he appreciates and values the work they do. Mrs. Merkle thanked them for all they do. Ms. Borg thanked them for taking care of the adult population. Mrs. Reuter thanked them for helping people to get to where they want to go in their lives. Student Rep. Matthew Doughly commented that Adult Education is very important and he thanked them for giving the students the tools to make a better life.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Superintendent Voors welcomed everyone back from the winter break and wished them a happy new year. He commented that the new governor announced the 2019-2020 budget saying that the education community was pleasantly surprised. District administration will be attending a budget information workshop by School Services to find out more details on the budget. He also noted that this is the beginning of the process; the budget will go through changes before the May Revision and adoption in June. Dr. Voors announced that January is School Board Member Recognition Month and he certainly appreciates what the Board of Education does and thanked them for representing the citizens of Glendora. On behalf of the District and Board of Education he presented Robin Merkle with a plaque for her service as Board President in 2018.

STUDENT BOARD REPRESENTATIVE REPORT

Student Representative to the Board, Matthew Doughly, reported on the following activities:

Glendora High School staff will meet together and in department meetings later this week. Seniors are restless due to the upcoming SBAC testing. The male students are grateful for the repair and installation of privacy dividers in the boys' restrooms. Tartan University is hosting a workshop on understanding SAT and ACT test scores. Upcoming activities include the speech contest, Powderbuff game meetings, talent show sign ups, spirit days, and the Sadie Hawkins Dance which is themed "A Night at the Arcade, Who will be your Player 2?".

Sandburg Middle School students raised over \$3,000 and purchased gifts for City of Hope pediatric patients.

Cullen Elementary School students are happy to be back to school after the winter break. In December, kindergarten and 5th grade students provided vocal and instrumental holiday performances for their fellow students and parents. The annual sing-a-long was also a great way to end 2018 and begin the winter break.

Stanton Elementary School students will be raising money for NEU college scholarships for graduating Stanton students. In December teachers evaluated and analyzed RTI groups reflecting on the most recent benchmarks; students went on field trips to the Natural History Museum, Science Center and participated in or enjoyed the Holiday Music Concert.

Sutherland Elementary School 4th and 5th grade Spelling Bee winners will compete in the school spelling bee later this month. PTA will host the Mother/Son Wild West Date night and Masterpiece Mornings are back with all students learning about a famous artist and then creating their own piece of art.

STAFF PRESENTATION AND INFORMATION

- A. Dr. DiGrazia, Assistant Superintendent of Personnel and Joanne Johnsen, GTA Executive President, jointly presented the Glendora Teachers Association and District Negotiations Proposals 2019-2020.
- B. Glendora High School Principal, Mr. Paul Lopez and Assistant Principal, Mrs. Jamie Norell presented the Glendora High School Student Registration Handbook for 2019-2020. Mrs. Norell reviewed the handbook changes including additional, revisions and deletions. Mrs. Norell noted that the College Board altered their course titles so changes were made to GHS course titles to align with the College Board. Ms. Borg asked clarifying questions regarding the Physical Education testing requirement.
- C. Mrs. Hunter, Assistant Superintendent of Education Services presented the 2018 California Dashboard Update. She reported on the changes and updates to the Dashboard noting that two additional indicators have been added they are: chronic absenteeism and college/career. She also reviewed the list of changes or shifts. Included in these changes are that this year, 11th grade test scores will be evaluated and alternative school scores will be factored in as well. This year will also be the first year where all the data is recent and current. Mrs. Hunter gave a brief review of the Dashboard website which has a new look. She also noted that the Dashboard is not meant to be a comparability tool and that each district

must consider distance from level 3 and the growth or lack thereof from the previous year. She reviewed the District's Dashboard information noting the changes and how the information is presented.

Mrs. Reuter asked clarifying questions regarding the school accountability report card and understanding of the website. Ms. Borg asked about the school site Dashboard reports.

PUBLIC HEARING

None

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

None

DISCUSSION ACTION ITEMS

1. Upon a motion by Mrs. Merkley, seconded by Dr. Fernando, and a vote of 4-yes 0-no the Board of Education approved the completion of Form J-13A, Request for Allowance of Attendance Due To Emergency Conditions.
2. Upon a motion by Ms. Borg, seconded by Mrs. Merkley, and a vote of 4-yes 0-no the Board of Education approved the settlement agreement for OAH Case No. 2018080218/2018100541.
3. Upon a motion by Mrs. Merkley, seconded by Ms. Borg, and a vote of 4-yes 0-no the Board of Education approved the Foster Youth Graduation Requirements Waiver Request Number AB167-01-011419.

GENERAL CONSENT ITEMS

Upon a motion by Dr. Fernando, seconded by Mrs. Merkley, and a vote of 4-yes 0-no the Board of Education approved the General, Educational, Business and Personnel Consent Items as follows:

1. Approve the minutes of the regular meeting of December 10, 2018.

EDUCATIONAL SERVICES CONSENT ITEMS

1. Approve Special Education services as presented.
2. Approve the 2018-2019 second quarter Valenzuela/CAHSEE report as presented.

BUSINESS SERVICES CONSENT ITEMS

1. Approve/ratify purchase order numbers 1819001054 through 1819001202 in the amount of \$661,134.52 for the 2018-2019 school year and amended purchase orders 1819000181, 1819000581, and 1819000877 as presented.
2. Approve the contract with Susan L. Celaya as presented.

PERSONNEL CONSENT ITEMS

1. Approve/ratify Certificated Personnel Employments, Retirements, Resignations, and Leaves.
2. Approve/ratify Classified Personnel Employments, Retirements, Resignations, and Leaves.
3. Approve the student teaching agreement with Whittier College, for the period commencing January 14, 2019 and terminating June 30, 2022.
4. Approve the student teaching agreement with California State Polytechnic University, Pomona, for the period commencing August 1, 2018, and terminating June 30, 2020.

COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Ms. Borg attended the PTA Council Meeting and she reminded everyone that PTA Founders Day is coming up. She also attended the Glendora Public Library meeting; the Book Mark contest was announced as well as the Trivia Challenge, which is the library fundraiser on Feb. 9th at the Felix Event Center. Ms. Borg is excited about the Governor's proposed budget and hopes that the May Revise is good news as well. She congratulated Ria Kubota, as the California Music Educators Association, Southwestern Section Music Teacher of the Year!

Mrs. Merkle comment on the Glendora Coordinating Council meeting where Glendora High School PALS student group was honored with the Youth Recognition Award for all they do including their help with the Holiday Baskets Program. She also thanked Mrs. Clune leading the PALS group.

Dr. Fernando enjoyed Bandorama commenting that it was a wonderful event and it was great to see Gordy Norman conducted the band. He added that the capacity of young people is very impressive. Dr. Fernando commented that in light of what is happening in the news, he thanked the teachers for their commitment saying that he appreciates the work they do.

Mrs. Reuter appreciated the joint contract negotiations proposal with the District and Glendora Teachers Association stating that it is a pleasure to be part of this district where we have a good relationship with the teachers.

ADJOURNMENT

The Board unanimously agreed to adjourn the meeting at 7:59 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Robert Voors, Ed.D.
Secretary, Board of Education

Approval Date:

January 28, 2019

Certified by:

Robin Merkley, Clerk