

Glendora Unified School District  
MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION  
February 11, 2019

President Mr. Ellenson called the regular meeting of the Glendora Unified School District Board of Education to order at 7:05 p.m. in the Community Board Room, Glendora Unified School District, 500 North Loraine, Glendora, CA 91741.

Board Members Present:

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

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 reportable 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).
- Government Code 54957 - Public employee appointment, employment, evaluation or performance, discipline, or dismissal or to hear complaints against or charges brought against an employee for another person or employee

### SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Voors commenting on the Staff Development Day saying that it was an excellent event. The keynote speaker and breakout sessions were well received by all and it was a valuable day for staff. He thanked Dr. Summers and Mrs. Hunter for organizing the event as well as GEF and Chik-fil-A for sponsoring breakfast and lunch. Dr. Voors commented on the GHS Girls Water Polo team saying that they have advanced to the CIF semi-finals, which is the farthest in the school's history. The annual fundraiser for Delta Kappa Gamma and Delta Nu to support Glendora USD teachers will be on March 9<sup>th</sup> at Bidwell Forum; they are doing an author series that will feature District teacher, Erin Fry.

### STUDENT BOARD REPRESENTATIVE REPORT

Student Representative to the Board, Mattheu Khoury-Doughly, on the following activities:

Glendora High School students are busy preparing for college with AP test registration. The German Club is looking for Glendora families to host German students from April 1-16. AVID applications are due soon and congratulations to the girls water polo team as they advance in CIF playoffs.

Sutherland Elementary School fifth grade students visited the Griffith Park Observatory and the 1<sup>st</sup> grade students went to the Mt. SAC observatory. Auditions to perform in the Wizard of Oz are coming up and everyone is looking forward to Family STEAM night in April.

Sandburg Middle School is working with Goddard Middle School planning the combined dance again this year; this is a great event to get middle school students together.

Cullen Elementary School 5<sup>th</sup> grade students went on a water department field trip to learn about water conservation. Kindergarten students celebrated the 100<sup>th</sup> day of school with fun counting activities and Open House was well attended.

Stanton Elementary School held a successful 5<sup>th</sup> grade family night as well as a parent education event that past week. Congratulations to the ten Cullen teachers who received Rotary Mini Grants.

### STAFF PRESENTATION AND INFORMATION

A. District's New Website – postponed to a future board meeting.

- B. Mr. George Carney the District's Energy Manager provided an update on the District's Energy Management Program. He noted that overall the energy program has shown significant results, both in costs and use reduction. The electric usage has declined as a result of the energy conservation programs. Specifically, the installation of energy efficient lighting as well as solar panels. With the installation of solar generating facilities the District also entered into a Power Purchase Agreement with PFMG Solar, this installation required no capital outlay whatsoever by the District. All of the solar arrays were online by May 2017. For the first full year of the operation the District's solar facilities generated 64.4% of the electricity used. The next project that should be addressed is the District's HVAC systems; replacement of the aging HVAC systems would create a large impact to electricity usage throughout the District. Mr. Carney noted that this potential project would be an expensive undertaking.

Mrs. Reuter asked clarifying questions regarding Prop. 39 funding and a web-based energy control system. Mrs. Merkley commented on the solar panels including the shade and lighting they provide. Dr. Fernando asked clarifying questions regarding peak usage months and summer electricity costs. Ms. Borg thanked Mr. Carney for the report and asked about the cost savings as well as a future plans to replace HVAC systems. Mr. Ellenson asked clarifying questions on how HVAC units are controlled with a web-based system. He also asked about solar panel maintenance, solar panel lighting for the fields and the feasibility of updating the District's sprinkler systems.

#### PUBLIC HEARING

None

#### ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Pam Lotz, GUSD Teacher, announced a GTA sponsored blood drive on 4-29-19.

#### DISCUSSION ACTION ITEMS

1. Upon a motion by Mrs. Merkley, seconded by Dr. Fernando, the Board of Education unanimously approved the request to call for bids/proposals for services costs related to Bread Products on behalf of all member districts of the San Gabriel Valley Food Services Cooperative Purchasing Group.

GENERAL CONSENT ITEMS

Upon a motion by Mrs. Merkley, seconded by Ms. Borg, the Board of Education unanimously approved the General, Educational, Business and Personnel Consent Items as follows:

1. Approve the minutes of the regular meeting of January 28, 2019 as presented.
2. Accept gifts from the United Way, Invech Inc. and Chik-fil-A.

EDUCATIONAL SERVICES CONSENT ITEMS

1. Approve hiring consultant, Mark Schumacher, as the keynote speaker for the August 13, 2019 Convocation as presented.
2. Approve the Glendora High School Boys Soccer team field trip as presented. All procedural requirements of the District have been met.
3. Approve the Glendora High School Pep Squad field trip as presented. All procedural requirements of the District have been met.
4. Approve consultant services and fees for physician criteria for speech-language protocol as presented.

BUSINESS SERVICES CONSENT ITEMS

1. Approve/ratify purchase order number 1819001264 through 1819001314 in the amount of \$167,562.10 for the 2018-2019 school year.
2. Approve reissuing employee warrant as presented. (Ref. BC2)

PERSONNEL CONSENT ITEMS

1. Approve/ratify Certificated Personnel Employments, Retirements, Resignations, and Leaves.
2. Approve/ratify Classified Personnel Employments, Retirements, Resignations, and Leaves.

### COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Ms. Borg thanked Pam Lotz for bringing Maggie to the meeting stating that she admires Maggie's courage. In honor of National Counselors week and on behalf of the Board of Education, Ms. Borg and Mrs. Merkley brought homemade cookies to the counselors. Ms. Borg commented on the Delta Kappa Gamma fundraiser, the Authors' Visitation at the Glendora Library that provides funds for teachers. The Teen Summit was last week and she thanked Melissa Germann for organizing the event; the students worked on being connected with activities such as puppy and bunny therapy, stress relief through drawing, and talks about how to be connected with the community.

She thanked the Glendora Rotary for their generosity through the Mini Grant program. Ms. Borg was happy to tour GHS with Michelle Hunter where she visited science and math classrooms. Ms. Borg enjoyed today's Staff Development Day, saying that the keynote speaker was very informative; the presentation focused on students that experience trauma and how to connect with them.

Mrs. Merkley commented on the recently released School Accountability Report Cards and the PTA engagement hours at the different schools. She attended the Speech Contest last week and stated that she was very impressed with the students' performances. She was also pleased to be able to represent GEF in the Great Trivia Challenge.

Mrs. Reuter expressed her gratitude to Rotary for awarding over \$12,000 in grants to 40 teachers in Glendora and Charter Oak USDs. She attended the recent LCAP meeting as well as the Legislative Action Committee meeting, both were very informative. Mrs. Reuter commented on a recent informational meeting for Glendora's Measure E. The committee is very optimistic and believes the argument for Measure E is a good one. She also commented on the District's Blue Ribbon Committee, which has been meeting since last year to talk about the District's budget and facility needs. The committee will have a final meeting this week where members will present and review all the information gathered this past year; the committee leadership will consolidate that information into a graphic document to present to the District.

Dr. Fernando echoed his appreciation to the school counselors who are tasked to do so much with academic counseling as well as the emotional wellbeing of the students. He asked clarifying questions regarding the School Accountability Report Cards and the school facility repair status criteria.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The Board unanimously agreed to adjourn the meeting at 8:04 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

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

Approval Date:

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February 25, 2019

Certified by:

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Robin Merkley, Clerk