

GARVEY SCHOOL DISTRICT

Rosemead, California

Minutes of Regular Meeting

May 31, 2018

The Garvey Board of Education met in regular session on May 31, 2018, at the Education Center, 2730 N. Del Mar Ave., Rosemead, California.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m., by Board President Keilley Meng.

ROLL CALL

Present at the meeting were Mr. Henry Lo, Ms. Keilley Meng, Mr. Vinh Ngo, Mr. John Nunez, Mr. Ronald Trabanino, and Superintendent Anita Chu.

Also in attendance were Ms. Grace Garner, Mr. Rene Hernandez, Ms. Staci Ma, Ms. Anna Molinar and Ms. Maria De La Cruz.

VISITORS PRESENT

Present as visitors were the persons listed on the attached Register of Attendance who signed the register and whose signatures were legible and are hereby made an official part of these minutes.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

Pat Kasababian led the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD FOR CLOSED SESSION AGENDA ITEMS: None

MOTION TO GO INTO CLOSED SESSION

On the motion of Vinh Ngo, seconded by John Nunez, and carried by a vote of 5 to 0, the Board adjourned at 6:32 p.m., to closed session and addressed those items posted on the agenda.

Vote:	Henry Lo	Yes
	Keilley Meng	Yes
	Vinh Ngo	Yes
	John Nunez	Yes
	Ronald Trabanino	Yes

RECONVENE INTO PUBLIC SESSION

The Board reconvened in public at 7:01 p.m.

REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION

Keilley Meng indicated there was no action taken during closed session.

COMMUNICATIONS/REPORTS FROM THE BOARD AND SUPERINTENDENT

- **Bitely School Presentation**
Rudy Torres, Principal of Bitely School, teacher Scott Sakamoto, and students from Bitely School presented a coding project that was showcased at a recent annual conference of educators hosted by Code to The

Future. The students shared a simulated website for *Digital Pet Co.* and talked about their roles as executive officers of the company, e.g., Chief Executive Officer, Chief Technology Officer, Chief Robotics Officer and Chief Design Officer. *Digital Pet Co.* designs and markets digital pets, created using coding, to keep the elderly and the sick company. The Board presented certificates to Principal Rudy Torres, teacher leader Scott Sakamoto and the students.

- **Board and Superintendent**

Anita Chu talked about yesterday's staff appreciation luncheon at Duff School. Board members and Cabinet served about 400 staff members. Ms. Chu stated that there will be extensive summer programs serving a total of 1,400 students who are enrolled in the District's English Learner and Special Education programs as well as the partnership programs with the East Los Angeles College (ELAC) for Jaime Escalante Math and summer camps. Additionally, over 120 teachers and administrators will be participating in a four-day school planning institute to develop the school plans.

John Nunez stated that in the last couple of weeks he has seen very positive and supportive teachers and parents at various school events. Mr. Nunez stated that the Alhambra Education Foundation will work on a joint project with the Alhambra YMCA to re-open Camp Ta Ta Pochon. Students will be able to make their camping trips and learning project in science and mathematics.

Henry Lo indicated he had the opportunity to visit Garvey Intermediate School with the Superintendent and guests from Coalition for Clean Air and Edison for a student presentation in Mr. Naka's class. The students presented their reports on an air quality study using sensors to measure the air quality in the neighborhood including restaurants and McDonald's. Mr. Lo commented on the Southern Coast Air Quality Management District (AQMD) soon making policy recommendations to improve indoor air quality standards. Ms. Chu shared that this air quality study is sponsored by the Coalition for Clean Air and Southern California Edison and the District is seeking to extend this partnership to provide more real-life STEM experience for our students.

Vinh Ngo commented on this week's student recognition ceremony and how proud students were seen on stage receiving their award. Mr. Ngo congratulated all of Garvey Schools' teachers of the year and the District's teacher of the year, Scott Sakamoto.

Henry Lo spoke of a recent fundraising event of CSBA's Political Action Committee (PAC). He encouraged Board members to support this PAC as the voice of public schools from the perspective of school board members.

Keilley Meng commented on Garvey's youngest alumni (17 years old) who recently graduated from California State University, Los Angeles. The student participated in the Early Entrance Program and attended college right after middle school.

REPORT FROM UNION REPRESENTATIVES

- **Garvey Education Association (GEA)**

Ken Tang, President of Garvey Education Association, addressed the Board regarding the tentative agreement which was ratified by 89 percent of the association members. He thanked the Board for approving the agreement tonight. Mr. Tang invited the Board to the upcoming GEA retirement dinner on June 4, 2018.

Mr. Tang expressed his disappointment about CSBA planning to endorse Marshall Tuck as State Superintendent of Public Instruction. Mr. Tang stated that the California Teachers Association is endorsing Tony Thurmond as he is an advocate for students in public education with a high voting record on public education issues. Mr. Tang invited everyone to GEA's phone banking on Monday, June 4, 2018, 4:00 p.m., at the GEA Office.

Mr. Tang spoke about the amount of student awards showing the dedication from teachers and staff. Mr. Tang indicated this will be his final report from GEA. He cited Nelson Mandela, "*Education is the most powerful weapon you can use to change the world.*" Mr. Tang stated that we will do that change, one student at a time, with an act of kindness. Mr. Tang cited, the book Wonder, "*when given a choice between being right and being kind, choose kind.*" Henry Lo thanked Mr. Tang for his leadership in GEA. He stated that the State Superintendent of Public Instruction is the only non-partisan constitutional office where voters elect the candidate with the most votes on June 5, 2018.

- **California School Employees Association (CSEA):** None

REPORTS FROM DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVES

- **Garvey Council PTA:** None
- **SELPA Community Advisory Committee (CAC):** None

REPORT FROM HEAD START REPRESENTATIVE

Dr. Sandra Gonzalez, Director of Child Development and Elizabeth Arreola, Garvey's Policy Committee (PC) Chair and PC Chair for L.A. County Office of Education (LACOE), addressed the Board regarding the Head Start/State Preschool Program.

Dr. Gonzalez stated that the Head Start Program is fully enrolled and actively recruiting students for the following program year. Staffing vacancies are: 1 Teacher Assistant, 1 Senior Secretary, 1 Family & Health Services Worker, 2 Teachers, and 1 Assistant Supervisor, Early Learning. Dr. Gonzalez thanked Anna Molinar and two union representatives who recently attended a meeting regarding contractual requirements for staffing and fiscal matters.

Ms. Arreola indicated that LACOE has announced that the District's intensive monitoring is likely to change to enhanced level. Ms. Arreola stated she has seen a tremendous change in parent activity and school readiness for students. Ms. Arreola commended the District for offering the dual language program at some schools, as well as, the improvements made on the Non-Federal match of parent volunteers.

Dr. Gonzalez commended Ms. Arreola for her leadership and actively engaging parents in providing assistance in different areas which has brought a lot of energy and momentum to the Head Start Program. Dr. Gonzalez indicated that at a joint meeting of LACOE's monitoring team and our management staff, feedback was given about the District's monitoring status. Dr. Gonzalez stated that LACOE staff acknowledged that systems are being put in place and the District will be placed on the enhanced level. If progress is sustained for more than six months the District will be placed on standard level. Dr. Gonzalez hopes that the District will reach this level by December 2018.

HEARING OF PERSONS IN THE AUDIENCE

Pat Kasababian addressed the Board regarding school issues. She made a disclaimer that her address to the Board would include profanity that was used by some students at school. Ms. Kasababian stated these are common occurrences with offensive shouting and extreme vulgar profanity towards staff and students, which happens during instructional time and off-hours. Ms. Kasababian described some students' behavior of physical threats, inciting fights, declining counseling and support, and bullying incidents. Ms. Kasababian cautioned that a hostile learning environment from a small population of students can spread into the community. Ms. Kasababian handed out copies of a list of recommendations submitted to Cabinet members to address safety concerns on February 20, 2018.

Henry Lo asked for a report on student incidents as noted by Ms. Kasababian. Rene Hernandez described the process of assisting schools when students experience a crisis and how all students are to be treated equally. Mr.

Hernandez stated there are rules and protocols for school notifications which govern the response for these types of incidents.

Anita Chu reminded the Board that we are one of two districts serving a student population with very challenging needs. Nevertheless, the District has been taking various actions to best meet the needs of these students and to ensure a safe environment. Ms. Chu indicated that in the last few months, Rene Hernandez, Anna Molinar and Ken Tang visited all schools and facilitated a discussion with staff on safety matters. They shared crisis intervention protocols and responded to staff concerns and questions. Cabinet has reviewed the recommendations from Garvey staff and has begun implementing some of these recommendations. Ms. Chu shared that this summer in response to staff requests, a series of training will be provided on behavior management and many teachers have already enrolled in these sessions. For the 2018-19 Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP) budget, funding has been allocated for two additional counselors, one for each intermediate school to serve high-need students. This action is a part of the continuous effort to allocate LCAP funds to increase services from campus security supervisors and behavior intervention assistants. Principals have been asked to order additional radios to ensure timely communication in emergency situations.

Vinh Ngo asked about the concerns noted today and how to proactively respond to this need. Mr. Ngo asked for a report in the fall on the actions taken to address the safety concerns.

CONSENT AGENDA

On the motion of Ronald Trabanino, seconded by Henry Lo, and carried by a vote of 5 to 0, the Board approved the Consent Agenda as indicated below.

Vote:	Henry Lo	Yes
	Keilley Meng	Yes
	Vinh Ngo	Yes
	John Nunez	Yes
	Ronald Trabanino	Yes

A. Board/Superintendent

1. Approval of Minutes
Regular Meeting – May 9, 2018
Approved.
2. Conference/Convention Attendance
It is recommended that the Board of Education approve requests for conference and convention attendance as presented. Approved.
3. Agreement – Franklin Covey, Inc. (The Leader in Me Program)
It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the agreement with Franklin Covey, Inc. for the Leader in Me Coaching System and Online License at seven schools in the 2018-2019 school year, at a total cost of \$72,450.00 to be paid from Local Control Funding Formula (LCFF) Fund. Approved.
4. Contract Amendment – Code to the Future (Computer Science Immersion Program)
It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the amended agreement with Code to the Future to provide support services for the Computer Science Immersion Program at three additional elementary schools and to provide additional support for four current elementary schools, from July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2021, at a total cost of \$306,940.00; to be paid from the Local Control Funding Formula (LCFF) Funds. Approved.

5. Agreement – EdTechTeam, Inc. (Google Apps Bootcamp Level)
It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the agreement with EdTech Team, Inc. to provide a one-day professional development Bootcamp (Level 2) on Google Apps Suite in August 2018. Total cost of \$4,975.00 will be paid from Title II Funds. Approved.
6. Head Start/State Preschool Budget Adjustment & Request for Advance Approvals (BAR/RAA) – Schedule I/K Revisions (2017-2018)
It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the Head Start/State Preschool Budget Adjustment & Request for Advance Approvals (BAR/RAA) for Schedule I/K revisions for Program Year 2017-2018. Approved.
7. Head Start/State Preschool Budget Adjustment & Request for Advance Approvals (BAR/RAA) – One-Time Supplemental (OTS) Funds (Recruitment)
It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the Head Start/State Preschool Budget Adjustment & Request for Advance Approvals (BAR/RAA) for One-Time Supplemental (OTS) funding, in the amount of \$5,000.00, to support recruitment and outreach efforts. Approved.
8. Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA) Funds for Head Start Program (2018-2019 Program Year)
It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA) request to accept an increase of 2.6% in the Head Start Basic and Dosage grants for 2018-2019 program year, in the amount of \$125,429.00. Approved.
9. Head Start/State Preschool Budget Adjustment & Request for Advance Approvals (BAR/RAA) – One-Time Supplemental (OTS) Funds (Security Cameras & Entry Buzzers and Playground Equipment)
It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the Head Start/State Preschool Budget Adjustment & Request for Advance Approvals (BAR/RAA) for One-Time Supplemental (OTS) funding, in the amount of \$90,000.00, for the installation of security cameras and entry buzzers at all Head Start sites and the replacement of playground equipment at Emerson. Approved.

B. Human Resources

1. Personnel Assignment Order 17-18-14
It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the Personnel Assignment Report No. 17-18-14 as presented. Approved.
2. School Year Calendars
It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the 2018-2019 and 2019-2020 School Year Calendars. Approved.
3. Revised Job Description – Accounting Technician – Benefits
It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the revised Job Description for Accounting Technician – Benefits. Approved.
4. Garvey Education Association (GEA) Tentative Agreement (2017-2018)
It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the Garvey Education Association (GEA) Tentative Agreement (2017-2018). Approved.
5. California School Employees Association (CSEA) Tentative Agreement (2017-2018)
It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the California School Employees Association (CSEA) Tentative Agreement (2017-2018). Approved.
6. Management Salary Increase (2017-2018)

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the Salary Increase for Management – Certificated, Classified, and Confidential employees for the 2017-2018 School Year. Approved.

C. Learning Support Services

1. Contract Ratification – Los Angeles County Office of Education (California Teacher Induction Program)
It is recommended that the Board of Education ratify the 2017-2018 Contract with the Los Angeles County Office of Education for the California Teacher Induction Program for twelve teacher participants, at a total cost not to exceed \$24,000.00, to be paid by Title II Funds. Approved.
2. Contract – Benchmark Education Company (Professional Development)
It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the contract with Benchmark Education Company to provide one day training to Summer School teachers on June 11, 2018. Total cost of \$3,592.59 to be paid from Title III Funds. Approved.
3. Contract – Randy Thomas (Disc Jockey Services – Garvey Intermediate School)
It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the contract with Randy Thomas for Disc Jockey Services for Garvey Intermediate School's dance events on June 7, 2018. Total cost, not to exceed \$550.00, will be paid from Associated Student Body (ASB) Funds. Approved.

D. Student Support Services: None

E. Business Services

1. Purchase Order Report
It is recommended that the Board of Education approve Purchase Order Report No. 17-18-14 as presented. Approved.
2. Contract – C.A.T.T. Plumbing, Inc. (Water Piping Replacement – Duff School)
It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the contract with C.A.T.T. Plumbing, Inc. for water piping replacement at Duff School. Total cost of \$173,900.00; to be paid from Bond Funds. Approved.
3. Contract – LNJ Technologies, Inc. (Data Infrastructure – Duff School)
It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the contract with LNJ Technologies, Inc. for building improvement of Data Infrastructure for Duff School. Total cost of \$24,978.23 to be paid from Bond Funds. Approved.
4. Contract – Sunset Electrical A/V & Automation (Installation of Audio Equipment – Duff School)
It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the contract with Sunset Electrical A/V & Automation for installation of Audio Equipment for Duff School. Total cost of \$12,496.27 to be paid from Bond Funds. Approved.
5. Contract Amendment – Massadi Enterprises, Inc. (DSA Inspection Services)
It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the amended contract with Massadi Enterprises Inc. for DSA inspection services for construction projects for 2017-18. Additional cost not to exceed \$130,000.00 to be paid from Bond Funds. Approved.
6. Contract – GovInvest, Inc./Ted Price (Actuarial Valuation Report)
It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the contract with GovInvest, Inc./Ted Price for the preparation of the GASB 75 Annual Actuarial Valuation Reports. The contract will remain in effect for a period of five years, for a total cost of \$26,800.00. Approved.

REPORTS AND INFORMATION ITEMS: NONE

ACTION ITEMS

A. Approval – California School Boards Association (CSBA) Golden Bell Awards Application (*We-InnovTech* Program – Bitely School)

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the California School Boards Association (CSBA) Golden Bell Awards Application for the *We-InnovTech* Program at Arlene Bitely Elementary School.

Anita Chu talked about a signature program, *We-InnovTech*, at Bitely School which is being considered for the CSBA Golden Bell Award application. The *We-InnovTech* program integrates cutting-edge technology and innovations across curriculum with the goal to develop 21st century competencies in all students, parents, and staff in the school community. Rudy Torres stated that students experience the opportunity of a 21st Century education in the areas of communication, critical skills, creativity, and collaboration through coding and digital editing across curriculum. The partnership with One Million NIU provides parents with the opportunity to develop digital literacy. Each trimester, a group of parents and mentors from the community will teach the same skills as what the students are being taught integrating and radically transforming the classroom learning. As a result of the outstanding accomplishments, Bitely has hosted multiple showcase events and has been recognized as a demonstration site for the community and educators. Anita Chu spoke of the District’s first Makerspace that will soon be completed at Bitely School.

On the motion of John Nunez, seconded by Vinh Ngo, and carried by a vote of 5 to 0, the Board approved Action Item A. as presented.

Vote: Henry Lo Yes
Keilley Meng Yes
Vinh Ngo Yes
John Nunez Yes
Ronald Trabanino Yes

OTHER ITEMS OF INTEREST TO THE BOARD

Henry Lo reminded everyone that the Monterey Park Costco store opened today. Mr. Lo asked for an update on bond and deferred maintenance projects. Ms. Chu stated that after the summer work of construction projects, a report can be provided.

Keilley Meng invited everyone to the promotion ceremonies taking place next week.

PUBLIC AGENDA ITEMS: None


NEXT MEETING

The following are future Board meetings and agenda topics. Closed session will begin at 6:30 p.m., and Public session to begin at 7:00 p.m.

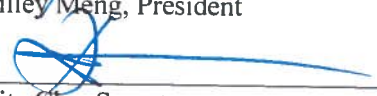
Meeting Date	Agenda Topic
June 14, 2018	
June 28, 2018	

ADJOURNMENT

There being no additional items, the meeting was adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

For 

Keilley Meng, President



Anita Chu, Secretary

**REGISTER OF ATTENDANCE AT GARVEY SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING**

Amy Hahn
Amanda Molina
Patricia Molina
Romelia V. Morales
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Ken Tang
Mallory Zamorano