

GARVEY SCHOOL DISTRICT

Rosemead, California

Minutes of Regular Meeting

June 16, 2010

The Garvey School District Board of Education met in regular session on June 16, 2010, at the Education Center, Rosemead, California.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:35 p.m., by Board President M. Janet Chin.

ROLL CALL

Present at the meeting were Mr. Bob Bruesch, Ms. M. Janet Chin, Mr. Henry Lo, Mr. Tony Ramos, Mr. John Yuen (arrived at 7:32 p.m.), and Interim Superintendent Dolores Preciado.

Also in attendance were Mr. Genaro Alarcon, Ms. Anita Chu, Mr. Michael Coughlin, 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 which is hereby made an official part of these minutes.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD FOR CLOSED SESSION AGENDA ITEMS

Kenneth Tang, teacher at Marshall School, read a letter addressed to Board Members on behalf of Janet Miranda, teacher at Marshall School. Ms. Miranda's letter expresses that she is discouraged for the decision of the Board to reassign Carol Brotsky in order to save money for the District. Ms. Miranda wrote very highly of Ms. Brotsky's job and said that she questions whether the re-assignment of Ms. Brotsky and the sharing one principal between two schools is the best decision for the children.

Enrique Garcia, parent at Marshall School, expressed his concern for the reassignment of Carol Brotsky, principal of Marshall School. Mr. Garcia noted that under the leadership of Ms. Brotsky, Mr. Garcia was invited to attend a State review of Marshall School, and that Ms. Brotsky did an amazing job through the review. Mr. Garcia has also worked with Ms. Brotsky as member of the school site council and PTA. Mr. Garcia said that he and many parents feel that Ms. Brotsky is a great asset to the District.

Rafael Chavez, PTA President of Marshall School, addressed the Board regarding the reassignment of Carol Brotsky, principal of Marshall School. Mr. Chavez feels that the reassignment is an injustice. Mr. Chavez pointed out that Ms. Brotsky has had a positive influence in the education of his son because of the quality of the leadership of Ms. Brotsky. Mr. Chavez asked the Board to see if something can be done about the reassignment of Ms. Brotsky.

Alhambra Board Member Chester Chou, addressed the Board and handed out invitations to Board members and staff to the San Gabriel High School graduation this Friday, June 18, 2010. Mr. Chou indicated that San Gabriel High School completed a review and received a six-year waiver. Mr. Chou stated that the high school was featured by Newsweek as the Silver Medal winner and one of the best preferred schools among many. Mr. Chou encouraged Board members and staff to work together this summer for a seamless transition of students going to San Gabriel and Mark Keppel High Schools.

MOTION TO GO INTO CLOSED SESSION

On the motion of Bob Bruesch, seconded by Tony Ramos, and carried by a vote of 4 to 0 (John Yuen not present for the vote), the Board adjourned at 6:52 p.m. to a closed session and addressed those items posted on the agenda.

RECONVENE INTO PUBLIC SESSION

The Board reconvened in public at 7:28 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

Tammy Nguyen led the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN

Janet Chin indicated that the following action was taken during the closed session:

On the motion of Bob Bruesch, seconded by Henry Lo, and carried by a vote of 3-0-1 (Tony Ramos abstained, John Yuen not present for the vote), the Board approved the reassignment of one elementary principal for the 2010-2011 Year.

COMMUNICATIONS/REPORTS/PRESENTATIONS

Anita Chu gave an update on William Nguyen, student of Garvey Intermediate, being one of 14 students among 76 throughout the nation that was selected from finals competition. The student will represent the District and will be the only student representing the State of California this Saturday at the National History Day Competition in Washington, D.C.

The Board presented certificates of recognition to 20 students for their winning performance at the recent Math Field Day of 2010. Certificates of appreciation were also presented to the teachers of these students, and principals from Hillcrest Elementary School, Sanchez Elementary School, and Temple Intermediate School.

The Board presented certificates of appreciation to 19 retiring employees for their many years of service to the District.

Janet Chin asked Board members to let staff know if they will be participating on the City of Rosemead's Independence Day celebration on Saturday, July 3, 2010, 10:00 a.m.

Janet Chin thanked retiring teacher Janet Heightland who donated about \$4,000 dollars worth of books (400) to the District.

Janet Chin reminded Board members of the Management Retirement dinner on Tuesday, June 22, 2010, in South Pasadena.

REPORT FROM UNION REPRESENTATIVES

Les Nakasaki, president of GEA, spoke of GEA's recent election of officers that will take effect July 1, 2010

Michael Drange, President

Pat Kasababian, Vice President

Nancy Kugler, Secretary

Les Nakasaki, Treasurer

Ken Teng, Representative

Pat Molina, Representative

Cathie Camacho, PTA and CTA State Representative

Yolanda Rivera, Membership Chair

Gloria Lopez, Professional Development and Elections Chair

Les Nakasaki commented on the GEA retirement dinner on June 9, 2010, a great group of people that will be missed. The Association wishes them well. Mr. Nakasaki encouraged everyone to continue working together discussing the hard issues through the insurance and budget committees, planning and governances, and the various other activities of the Foundation and PTA. Mr. Nakasaki commended all those attending the First District PTA training in West Covina last Saturday.

Bob Bruesch asked for Board recognition of Carol Brotsky.

REPORT FROM HEAD START REPRESENTATIVE

Janet Chin reminded everyone that the Head Start program will be undergoing a grantee review in October.

Janet Chin asked questions regarding a letter received from LACOE consultant regarding issues with invoices use of incorrect codes. Jessica Lu will review this matter related to non-federal share for parent and consultation hours.

REPORT FROM GARVEY ORGANIZATIONS

Garvey Council PTA

Cathie Camacho, PTA President, thanked Board Members John Yuen and Bob Bruesch, and all the people that attended the June 5th First District PTA. Ms. Camacho gave special thanks to parents and principals attending, John Turmes, Carol Brotsky, and Michelle Collaso. Ms. Camacho commended all the principals in the district for the continued support to PTA throughout the year.

Ms. Camacho announced the PTA scholarships recipients:

Dean Menk, Temple Intermediate
Pauline Vu, Temple Intermediate
Steven Antunez, Garvey Intermediate
Oscar Molina, Garvey Intermediate
Jaina Ramadane, Garvey Intermediate
Arthur Thai, Garvey Intermediate

The Les Nakasaki Award was given to Helen Chhea.

The community memorial scholarships were awarded to for high school graduates that promoted from Garvey and Temple Intermediate Schools as follows:

Darryl R. Anderson Memorial, \$500 awarded to Alvaro Loya (Temple)
Dorothy M. Byerly Memorial, \$500 awarded to Carrie Ho (Garvey)
Roger W. Temple Memorial \$250 each award to Justin Bui (Garvey) and Sandy Wu (Temple)

Garvey Education Foundation

Les Nakasaki spoke of a total of \$4,500 grants awarded to teachers this year and the various fundraising activities throughout the year, including a \$10 drive, TGIF at Charlie Browns, etc. Tentatively, the Foundation dinner is scheduled on April 27, 2011, and the TGIF gathering on the first Friday of October, 2010.

Mr. Nakasaki acknowledged the Foundation Board Members: Ginny Peterson, Henry Lo, Bob Bruesch, Michael Coughlin, Peter Leung, Les Nakasaki, and Ken Teng.

Michael Coughlin stated that the Foundation dinner netted about \$12,000 and there is still one outstanding check. Since the founding of the Foundation, six years ago, about \$55,000 have been raised less some expenses and program allocations.

HEARING OF PERSONS IN THE AUDIENCE

Brian Junk, of UFC Gym, addressed the Board regarding a new concept of a wellness program that addresses the obesity problem using a different way of exercising and lifestyle changes. The program uses the model of best athlete’s in martial arts combining cardiovascular training classes in a family oriented gymnasium for children 4 years and older. Mr. Junk spoke of substantial discounts for teachers.

Janet Chin referred the discussion of the wellness program to the staff for review of the proposed program for teachers and staff.

Guillermo G. addressed the Board regarding the Parent University workshop free of charge this summer to introduce parents on the use of computers and Windows programs. Guillermo hopes to encourage parents to become more familiar and help their children with computerized assignments. A flyer with dates and details of the workshop was provided at the meeting.

Tony Ramos spoke in support of the Parent University and said that he has volunteered to assist with the workshop to help parents communicate better with their children and their teachers. John Yuen commented that in addition of encouraging parents to use computer technology, some parents also need support with obtaining computer hardware. Janet Chin suggested trying getting donations of free computer lap tops for the parents.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On the motion of Bob Bruesch, seconded by Henry Lo, and carried by a vote of 5 to 0, the Board approved the corrected Minutes of Special Board Meeting on May 20, 2010 and the Minutes of Regular Board meeting on May 24, 2010, as written.

FORMATION AND APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

On the motion of Bob Bruesch, seconded by John Yuen, and carried by a vote of 5 to 0, the Consent Agenda was approved with addendums as indicated below.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

The following items were pulled for discussion: (Items containing an asterisk (*) are designed as staff presentations, information, policy discussion, or public hearings.)

Category	Agenda Number	Subject
Board/Administrator	345	Resolution No. 09-10-22 affirming the American Values of Unity, Diversity, and Equal Protection for All – Opposition to Arizona State Laws Senate Bill 1070 and House Bill 2281.
	346	Resolution No. 09-10-23 - Keep our Promises to Students which encourages legislators to protect public education funding from further cuts.
	351	Authorize the approval of the Contract for Delegation of Operation of Head Start/State Preschool Program for school year 2010-2011 between the Los Angeles County Office of Education and the Garvey School District in the amount of \$3,539,044 Head Start Basic Budget \$3,122,542 Head Start Training & Technical Assistance (TTA) Budget: \$20,882 LACOE State Preschool (SPS) Budget: <u>\$395,620</u> Total Head Start, TTA, & SPS Budget Amount: \$3,539,044
Human Resources	354	Public hearing will be held to discuss the District’s intent to employ an Adaptive Physical Education Teacher on a credential waiver.

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Human Resources (Continued)	355	Submission of a subsequent waiver request to the Commission on Teacher Credentialing to waive the requirements of the Adaptive Physical Education Specialist Credential for Rene Herrera.
Pupil Personnel Services	359	Recommendation to expel and to suspend the expulsion of student no. 09-10-10, an 8 th grader at Garvey Intermediate School cited for violation of the following Education Codes: 48900(c): Unlawfully possessed, used, sold or otherwise furnished or been under the influence of a controlled substance 48900(j): Unlawfully possessed or unlawfully offered, arranged or negotiated to sell drug paraphernalia
	360	Recommendation to readmit student number 09-10-02, who has completed her rehabilitation plan satisfactorily.
Business Services	370	Award contract related to Bid #10-11-01 for exterior upgrades at Willard Elementary. Information will be provided at the meeting.

A. Board/Superintendent

(344) Approved Conference/Convention Attendance Report and addendum. Consent.

Bob Bruesch clarified that the Kiwanis is also helping to fund the trip to Washington, DC, for History Day.

*(345) Adoption of Resolution No. 09-10-22 affirming the American Values of Unity, Diversity, and Equal Protection for All – Opposition to Arizona State Laws Senate Bill 1070 and House Bill 2281.

John Yuen expressed his concern on the Board taking a position on the Arizona Bill. He would not support or oppose a bill until it is fully explored and understood. Mr. Yuen feels that this is not a School Board issue, rather it is a special interest topic that Board members can support individually.

Janet Chin stated that this is primarily a District with a community of children of color and the language of the Arizona law applies to our children and to us, nationally, and globally.

On a question from Henry Lo, Les Nakasaki stated that GEA will take a position on this law after NEA's position is taken this summer. Presently, it seems that there may be a proclamation written to oppose the law.

Tony Ramos stated that he personally does not agree with the Arizona law, as there is some racial language, but he opposes this resolution on a District level.

On the motion of Henry Lo, seconded by Bob Bruesch, and carried by a vote of 3-2-0 (Tony Ramos and John Yuen opposed), the Board approved Item 345, Resolution No. 09-10-22.

Les Nakasaki asked to speak out of order to state that the Garvey Education Association is willing to help in the interview process with the search for superintendent, to assist with whatever structured including the planning process.

*(346) The Board deferred adoption of Resolution No. 09-10-23 - Keep our Promises to Students which encourages legislators to protect public education funding from further cuts. Item not approved.

Bob Bruesch spoke in support of this resolution. However, he would like to propose an amendment to add recent language from CSBA in support of the CSBA suit citing the State for not upholding its Constitutional obligation to fund state schools.

On the motion of Henry Lo, seconded by Tony Ramos, and carried by a vote of 5 to 0, the Board approved to waive the bylaws and extend the meeting to 10 p.m.

- (347) Approved extension of Retirement Contract for Ancillary Services for Virginia Peterson through June 30, 2011 not to exceed a total of 20 days. Consent.
- (348) Accepted donation to the District from Edison International's Employee Giving Campaign in the amount of \$150.00. Consent.
- (349) Approved contract with the Children's Hospital of Los Angeles and their designated Nutrition Consultants to provide nutritional assessment services to our Head Start/State Preschool students and families as required by the service contract with the Grantee and Administration for Children and Families (ACF). Total amount not to exceed \$31,200, (\$50/hour x 624 hours) beginning July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2011, to be paid from Head Start/State Preschool funds. Approved by the Head Start Policy Committee on June 11, 2010. Consent.
- (350) Approved contract with the Children's Hospital of Los Angeles and their designated Mental Health Consultants to provide services in the areas of Disabilities/Mental Health to our Head Start/State Preschool students for the 2010-2011 school year. Total amount not to exceed \$41,400, (\$60/hour x 690 hours) beginning July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2011; to be paid from Head Start/State Preschool funds. There will be no impact to the General Fund. Approved by the Head Start Policy Committee on June 11, 2010. Consent.
- *(351) Deferred approval (pending receipt of contract) to authorize the approval of the Contract for Delegation of Operation of Head Start/State Preschool Program for school year 2010-2011 between the Los Angeles County Office of Education and the Garvey School District in the amount of \$3,539,044 Head Start Basic Budget \$3,122,542 Head Start Training & Technical Assistance (TTA) Budget: \$20,882 LACOE State Preschool (SPS) Budget: \$395,620 Total Head Start, TTA, & SPS Budget Amount: \$3,539,044. Item not approved.
- (352) Authorized approval and acceptance of the Head Start/State Preschool additional One-Time Supplemental (OTS) Funding for program year 2009-2010 in amount of \$46,275. Consent.

B. Human Resources

- (353) Approved Personnel Assignment Report No. 09-10-18 and Addendum. Consent.
- *(354) A public hearing opened at 8:47 p.m. and closed at 8:48 p.m. to discuss the District's intent to employ an Adaptive Physical Education Teacher on a credential waiver. There were no requests to speak.
- *(355) Bob Bruesch moved, Henry Lo seconded to approve submission of a subsequent waiver request to the Commission on Teacher Credentialing to waive the requirements of the Adaptive Physical Education Specialist Credential for Rene Herrera.

John Yuen asked for background information credential completion timeline. Genaro Alarcon explained that Rene Herrera has been in the adaptive P.E. position for only one year. He is halfway on completing the required units.

The motion passed by a vote of 5 to 0.

- (356) Adopted Declaration of Need for Fully Qualified Educators certifying that there is an insufficient number of certificated persons who meet the district's specified employment criteria. This shall remain in force until June 30, 2011. Consent.
- (357) Approve renewal of District membership for 2010-2011 in the School Employers' Association of California (SEAC), a non-profit organization serving school and Community college management in the collective bargaining process and addressing employee-employer relations. Total cost of \$1,490; to be paid from General Funds. Consent.
- (358) Approved membership renewal in Cooperative Organization for the Development of Employee Selection Procedures (CODESP) for 2010-2011 at a cost of \$1,750; to be paid from General Funds. Consent.

C. Pupil Personnel Services

On the motion of Henry Lo, seconded by Tony Ramos, and carried by a vote of 5 to 0, the Board waived the District's policy regarding disclosure of the student's name in public.

- *(359) On the motion of Bob Bruesch, seconded by Tony Ramos, and carried by a vote of 5 to 0, the Board approved the recommendation to expel student no. 09-10-10 from the school district for a period commencing June 17, 2010, and ending no later than the last day of the semester following the semester in which the expulsion occurred. The student is an 8th grader at Garvey Intermediate School cited for violation of the following Education Codes:
 - 48900(c): Unlawfully possessed, used, sold or otherwise furnished or been under the influence of a controlled substance
 - 48900(j): Unlawfully possessed or unlawfully offered, arranged or negotiated to sell drug paraphernalia

On the motion of Henry Lo, seconded by Bob Bruesch, and carried by a vote of 5 to 0, the Board approved the recommendation to suspend the expulsion. Evidence must be provided of meeting the rehabilitation plan.

- *(360) On the motion of Henry Lo, seconded by Tony Ramos, and carried by a vote of 5 to 0, the Board approved the recommendation to readmit student number 09-10-02, who has completed her rehabilitation plan satisfactorily.

D. Instructional Services

- (361) Approved 2010 Summer School Program. Consent.
- (362) Approved contract with Pearson Education, Inc. to provide a five-day (40 hours) SB472 Institute and a four-day (32 hours) follow-up institute on enVision Math program to K-6 teachers and administrators from July 26 through July 30, 2010. The cost of \$750 per participant for the SB472 Institute and \$24,000 for the follow-up institute is to be paid from Title II, Part A funds. Consent.
- (363) Approved contract with CIMA to provide a three-day (18 hours) follow-up institute for grades 7-8 math teachers from July 12 through July 14, 2010, at a total cost of \$2,700, to be paid from Title II, Part A funds. Consent.
- (364) Approved contract with McGraw Hill Professional Development, Inc. to provide two-day training on the K-6 Language Arts pilot program, California Treasures for over thirty pilot teachers, from July 20 through July 21, 2010. The total cost of \$4,000 is to be paid from Title II, Part A funds. Consent.

E. Business Services

- (365) Approved Purchase Order Report #09-10-16. Consent.
- (366) Approved Appropriation Transfers. Consent.
- (367) Authorized the County Superintendent of Schools to make appropriate transfers to permit payment of obligations for 2009-10. Consent.
- (368) Adopted Resolution No. 09-10-24 authorizing the temporary borrowing between funds to permit payment of District obligations. Consent.
- (369) Adopted Resolution No. 09-10-25 for the purpose of expediting the processing of routine budget revisions, adjustments and transfers effective July 1, 2010 to June 30, 2011. Consent.
- *(370) Awarding of contract related to Bid #10-11-01 for exterior upgrades at Willard Elementary. Information provided at the meeting.

On the motion of Bob Bruesch, seconded by John Yuen, and carried by a vote of 4-0-1 (Henry Lo opposed), the Board approved to rescind approval of this item from consent item for approval after further discussion.

John Yuen said that he believes that the Board should have the information on this item at least a day or two before the meeting to address any questions from the Board. Mr. Yuen requested to have agenda information as soon as it becomes available.

Bob Bruesch moved, Henry Lo seconded, and the motion carried by a vote of 5 to 0, to approve Item 370, Award contract related to Bid #10-11-01.

PUBLIC AGENDA ITEMS: None

OTHER ITEMS OF INTEREST TO THE BOARD

Tony Ramos suggested having some kind of recognition to Janet Heightland for the donation of books.

Bob Bruesch commented on having to change the Board meetings too many times. He asked to try and keep the meeting day and time on a regular schedule. The Board agreed that starting on July, 2010, the Board meetings take place on Thursdays, closed session starting at 6:00 p.m.

Janet Chin wished everyone a happy summer and congratulated the students on their promotion ceremony this Friday at Temple Intermediate and Garvey Intermediate Schools.

MOTION TO GO INTO CLOSED SESSION

On the motion of Henry Lo, seconded by Tony Ramos, and carried by a vote of 5 to 0, the Board adjourned at 9:03 p.m. to a closed session and addressed those items posted on the agenda.

RECONVENE INTO PUBLIC SESSION

The Board reconvened in public at 9:49 p.m.

REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN


Janet Chin indicated that no action was taken during the session:

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

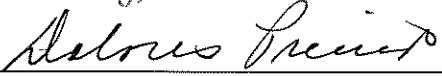
The following meeting will be a special meeting on Thursday, June 24, 2010, at the Education Center. Closed session will begin at 6:00 p.m., public session to begin at 6:30 p.m. The following meeting will be a special meeting on Monday, June 28, 2010, at the Education Center. Closed session will begin at 6:00 p.m., public session to begin at 6:30 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no additional items, the meeting was adjourned at 9:50 p.m.



M. Janet Chip, President



Dolores Preciado, Secretary

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

Rafael Chavez
Jenny Chen
Enrique Garcia
Mike Kenny
Vanessa Lee
Jessica Lu
Sindhi Ma
Marilyn Malmquist
Sergio Martinez
Les Nakasaki
Kim S. Nguyen
Tran T. Nguyen
Doris Robin
Ted Saulino
Martha Su
Art Sunime
Ken Tang
Gloria Tellez
Tayet Van
Chris Wallace