

Glendora Unified School District
MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
April 23, 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 Ms. Borg, the Board of Education unanimously approved to adopt the agenda with the following amendment:

Remove from the Recognition Section, Item C: Glendora Education Classroom Grants

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).
- Student Expulsion – Student #2018-2019-X-1
- Student Discipline – Ed Code Sections 35146, 48918(c)
- Superintendent Evaluation

RECOGNITION SECTION

- A. Glendora High School Principal Mr. Paul Lopez introduced the 2019 National Cheer Champions. He commented that the team has but in so much hard work every single day. They are also heavily involved in campus life supporting other activities and have helped to change the culture of the campus. He thanked Coach Kim Toothman and presented her with a certificate as well as each of the team members.

Mr. Ellenson thanked the team for representing their school and District so well and for positively contributing to the school culture. He stated that everyone is very proud of them.

- B. Greg Nakata, GHS AVID teacher, commented on the AVID program at GHS proudly stating that this year the senior students had 100% acceptance into four-year colleges. He was grateful for the privilege to address the Board of Education again this year and he thanked the Board and District for the support in terms of time, funding, and sections saying they appreciate the ability to succeed as a program. He introduced two distinguished AVID senior students Megan Seligman and Justin Salazar who both spoke about the AVID program and how it has affected them.

Mr. Ellenson thanked Mr. Nakata and the students saying that their speeches were inspiring and he thanked them for sharing. Mrs. Reuter heard a common thread in the speeches of a support structure and what it provided to the students. But she actually heard of the students' perseverance and she congratulated them for their hard work and stated that everyone is very proud of them. Ms. Borg commented that it is their perseverance that is preparing them for college, and reminded them to keep that long term goal in mind it will carry them far. Student Board Representative Matt Doughly congratulated the students for not giving up.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Voors reminded everyone that April 24 is Administrative Professionals Day and he thanked those throughout the District for all they do. He also reminded everyone that Friday, April 26 is the annual GEF Food for Thought Fundraiser. GEF does so much work on behalf of the District and many community members will be at the event to support GEF and the District. Dr. Voors thanked Pam Lotz and Joanne Johnson for organizing the upcoming blood drive and congratulated them for the 96% scheduled participation in the blood drive.

STUDENT BOARD REPRESENTATIVE REPORT

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

La Fetra Elementary School second grade student are participating in Healthy Living Lessons as part of their science unit where students learn about various edible plants. STEAM family night was a success with art pieces, math proofs and technology on display.

Sellers Elementary School third grade students attended an exciting field trip to Mt. Baldy.

Goddard Middle School students are busy with high school honors placement tests, AVID interviews, SBAC testing and elective selections for next year.

Glendora High School NHS Career Night is this week. AP students are busy studying for upcoming AP testing. College bound seniors need to make their decision as to where they want to attend by May 1st. Senior papers have been completed and submitted.

STAFF PRESENTATION AND INFORMATION

Dr. Becky Summers presented information on the Social Science Textbook Adoption recommendation. She noted that materials were piloted in Fall of 2018 and Spring 2019 and that each teacher piloted both publishers so they could compare and make a decision. Dr. Summers explained the evidence-based decision making process the teachers used to reach a consensus. The recommendation for elementary and high school is Impact by McGraw-Hill; middle school is National Geographic History. The programs were placed in the District Office and invitations to review the programs were sent to parents. Some parents did look at the program and Dr. Summers shared their feedback and comments. She thanked the adoption committee, piloting teachers, Becky Valbuena, Jennifer Prince, Carren Acevedo and Jamie Norell for their assistance.

Mrs. Merkley thanked Dr. Summers and the committee for all the work that goes into the adoption process. Dr. Fernando commented that he was impressed with the evidence-based decision process and asked clarifying questions regarding the collaborative process. He thanked the adoption committee for their work. Ms. Borg thanked Dr. Summers and asked about online support and the parent component. Mr. Ellenson thought it was good that the District has chosen the same publisher for both the English Language Arts and History Social Science programs. He asked clarifying questions regarding the upper grade ELA programs.

PUBLIC HEARING

Mr. Ellenson opened the public hearing at 7:59 pm on the adoption of K-8 History Social Science curriculum. Grades K – 5 Impact: California Social Studies, Macmillan/McGraw-Hill Publishers; Grades 6 – 8 National Geographic History, National Geographic Learning/Cengage Publishers. There were no public comments; the hearing was closed at 7:59 pm.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

None

DISCUSSION ACTION ITEMS

1. Review the update to the District's Strategic Plan. Discussion only, no action will be taken.

Dr. Voors reviewed the updates to the District's Strategic Plan and answered questions from Board members regarding the update specific to the District Action Safety Action Plan; and Saturday School.

2. Upon a motion by Mrs. Merkley, seconded by Mrs. Reuter, the Board of Education approved Resolution #11 declaring the week of May 19-25, 2019 as Classified School Employee Week.
3. Upon a motion by Mrs. Reuter, seconded by Ms. Borg, the Board of Education approved Resolution #12 declaring May 8, 2019 as Glendora Day of the Teacher.
4. Renewal of the College and Career Access Pathways Memorandum of Understanding between Glendora USD and Citrus Community College is being presented for discussion purposes only.

Assistant Superintendent of Educational Services, Michelle Hunter, commented that this is a renewal of a previous MOU. One change is that the agreement will be a 4-year term. This item was discussion only, no action was taken and it will be brought back for action at the next Board of Education meeting.

5. Upon a motion by Mrs. Reuter, seconded by Ms. Borg, the Board of Education approved the McGraw Hill Impact series for grades K–5 and 9-12, and the National Geographic History series for grades 6–8.
6. Upon a motion by Mrs. Merkley, seconded by Ms. Borg, the Board of Education approved awarding the RFP #201819-4 Box Truck for the Nutrition Services Department to George Chevrolet as presented in the total

amount of \$45,850.78.

7. Upon a motion by Mrs. Merkley, seconded by Ms. Borg, the Board of Education approved the agreement with Titan Health & Security Technologies, Inc. as presented.
8. Upon a motion by Mrs. Reuter, seconded by Mrs. Merkley, the Board of Education approved the referral for expulsion of student 2018-2019-X-1 be expelled with placement at a community day school for the remainder of the 2018-2019 school year and the first semester of the 2019-2020 school year, as well as successfully complete a plan of rehabilitation as outlined in the recommendations of the administrative hearing panel; with the modification that upon successful completion of the plan of rehabilitation and admittance to Glendora USD schools as outlined in the recommendation that the expulsion be expunged from the student's record.

GENERAL CONSENT ITEMS

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

1. Approved the minutes of the regular meeting of April 8, 2019 as presented.
2. Accept gifts from Paradise Cookies and The United Way as presented.

EDUCATIONAL SERVICES CONSENT ITEMS

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

BUSINESS SERVICES CONSENT ITEMS

1. Approve/ratify purchase order numbers 1819001544 through 1819001631 in the amount of \$92,545.30 for the 2018-2019 school year and amended purchase order 1819000249 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/fieldwork agreement with Concordia University, for the period commencing April 23, 2019, and terminating April 22, 2022.

COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Mrs. Borg enjoyed touring Sutherland school classrooms, saying that there was a lot of learning going on. She appreciated the Masonic Lodge Public Schools Recognition event and commented that student, Jonathon Perez Garcia's speech was moving. She recently saw a presentation by District Technology Director, Will Carter on the new classroom projectors and the difference between the new and older versions is amazing. She congratulated the National Champion Cheer Team.

Mrs. Merkley is sorry to miss the Food For Thought fundraiser her son is graduating from BYU and she will be out of town.

Mrs. Reuter enjoyed the K-14 Education Forum hosted by Citrus College, saying that she learned a lot about the dual enrollment program. She is looking forward to Food for Thought and she asked about information the District has been able to get regarding the use of Styrofoam trays versus other options.

Dr. Fernando is sorry that he is unable to attend Food for Thought; one of his children will be competing in the CIF finals track event. He commented on Administrative Professionals' Day, and thanked Janette Short for all that she does for the Board Members as well as all administrative professionals in the District and asked that message be passed along.

ADJOURNMENT

The Board unanimously agreed to adjourn the meeting at 8:50 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

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

Approval Date:

May 13, 2019

Certified by:

Robin Merkley, Clerk