



**Global Education Collaborative
BOARD OF DIRECTORS - BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

Tuesday, March 26, 2019 - 5:30 PM

The meeting will be held at:
4141 S. Figueroa St. Los Angeles, CA 90037 and via telephone

**1-888-296-6500 (Dial In #), Guest Code: 193391
Teleconference from:**

1. Call to Order and Attendance

Meeting is called to order at 5:37 p.m.

Board Members

	Present	Absent	
Daniel Choi	X	_____	
Rickey Jones	X	_____	Departed at 6:38 p.m.
Magaly Lavadenz	_____	X	
Yen Ma-Chan	X	_____	
Marsha Thomas	X	_____	
Marion Wong	X	_____	

Staff

Sally Chou, GEC Executive Director	X	_____
Vacant, GEC Director of Operations	_____	_____
Francisco Contreras, Business Manager	X	_____
Yanira Barrera, Operations Analyst	X	_____
Linda Lee, GEA Principal	X	_____
David Warcken, GEA 2 Principal	X	_____

2. Approval of the Agenda

M. Thomas Motions and Y. Ma-Chan motions to approve the agenda

D. Choi	R. Jones	M. Lavadenz	Y. Ma-Chan	M. Thomas	M. Wong	
Yes	Yes	Absent	Yes	Yes	Yes	

3. Public Comments

COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR - At this time any person wishing to speak to any item not on the agenda will be granted three minutes to make a presentation to the Board of Directors.
COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS - Any person wishing to speak to any item on the agenda will be granted five minutes to make a presentation before the board begins its deliberations or takes action on the item.

4. Public Hearing

One parent is here for public comment to inquire about the status of the building for the K-8 school. He is concerned about his 5th grade student who has an IEP. He would prefer to keep that student with GEA if possible.

5. **CLOSED SESSION**

With respect to every item of business to be discussed in closed session pursuant to Section 54956.8:

1. Public Employee Performance Evaluation, dismissal, resignation

6. **REPORT OUT OF CLOSED SESSION ON ANY ACTION TAKEN**

7. **PUBLIC SESSION**

RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION: The meeting will reconvene to open session.

8. **Reports**

a. Board

1. Operations and Communications

- i. Executive Director Report: Dr. Chou mentions that we will be on spring break next week. GEA was offered Raymond Ave. Elementary through Prop. 39. Our legal counsel Sarah Kollman sent a counter offer to LAUSD's Preliminary proposal and we will receive a response by April 1st.
- ii. Board President Report: M. Wong informs the Board that she will possibly need the June board meeting to be moved. It is also noted that the May Board meeting will need to be moved to the 21st instead of the 28th because of Memorial Day.

b. Staff

1. Operations and Communications

- i. GEA Monthly School Report: Enrollment currently at 244. A new student was picked up. Kindergarten teachers went to annual kindergarten conference. Learning walk debrief was conducted via Zoom. Vendors came to present their ELA programs. McGraw Hill wonders was selected as the ELA program the will be purchased. Two teachers went to CAFE conference. L. Lee went to the California league of Middle Schools Conference. School wide spelling bee was won by a third grader. GEA was 1 of 279 schools that received an award for being one of the top schools that close the achievement gap. She mentions that second and third grade went to Moonwater farm in Compton. She also mentions that fifth grade went to Liberty Hall at Knotts Berry Farm. She goes over the Winter NWEA reports. She also mentions that the annual lottery for all grade levels will take place the Monday after we return from Spring Break.
- ii. GEA 2 Monthly School Report: D. Warken goes over his board report. He mentions that GEA 2 is currently at 162 students. GEA 2 had its parent teacher conferences last week. They also had an anti-bullying workshop. GEA 2 got together with GEA for the selection of the ELA

program for next year. He also mentions that GEA 2 received their Prop. 39 proposal for the 19-20 school year. GEA 2 was offered space at Arlington Heights EL.

c. Facilities Update:

S. Chou mentions that on April 1st we will receive the answer to our counter proposal from LAUSD in regards to the Prop. 39 proposal for GEA. She mentions that the phone calls with ACD have begun to progress. As an organization we are waiting on LAUSD's response in order to know how to move forward in regards to facilities. ACD asked what geographic area we are interested in. L. Lee mentions that ACD presented them with a proposal from STK Architecture, an architecture firm based out of Temecula, in order to draft a rendering of the building that would possibly be built on the grounds of Mt. Moriah Baptist Church. Dr. Chou mentions that she wants to have continuous updates for the board in regards to facilities updates.

d. Investment Update:

F. Contreras and Dr. Chou met with Andrew Mayer from MAI. He is the fiduciary who Fidelity recommended as a good fit for GEA based on his experience with other non-profit organizations. The next step will be bringing the official resolution to transfer funds to the board in order to finalize the amounts that will be transferred for GEA and GEA 2. GEA wants and write a check or do an electronic deposit. Dr. Chou mentions that Edtec will have access to the accounts and statements for both schools.

9. Consent Agenda

All items listed under the Consent Agenda are considered by the Board to be routine and will be approved and/or enacted by the Board in one motion. Unless specifically requested by a Board member for further discussion or Removed from the agenda, there will be no discussion of these items prior to the Board's vote on them.

D. Choi moves and M. Thomas seconds the motion to approve the consent agenda

D. Choi	R. Jones	M. Lavadenz	Y. Ma-Chan	M. Thomas	M. Wong	
Yes	Yes	Absent	Yes	Yes	Yes	

a. Approval of Meeting Minutes:

- February 26, 2019, Board Meeting Minutes

b. Approval of Check Registers

- February 2019 Check Register

c. Acceptance of 2nd Interim Financial Report for GEA and GEA2

10. Discussion & Action Items

a. Possible approval of February 2019 Financials for GEA, GEA2, and GEC

M. Thomas moves and Y. Ma-Chan seconds the motion to approve the February 2019 Financials for GEA, GEA 2 and GEC

D. Choi	R. Jones	M. Lavadenz	Y. Ma-Chan	M. Thomas	M. Wong	
Yes	Yes	Absent	Yes	Yes	Yes	

b. Possible approval of Invoice to California Department of Education (Invoice number C-061525)

D. Choi moves and Y. Ma-Chan seconds the motion to approve the Invoice to California Department of Education (Invoice number C-061525)

D. Choi	R. Jones	M. Lavadenz	Y. Ma-Chan	M. Thomas	M. Wong	
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- c. Discussion of EQUIFAX Summary of Unemployment charges for the period:10/01/2018-12/31/2018
F. Contreras attended an unemployment benefits training at LACOE. He explains to the board how the unemployment benefits process works. The key point is that if an employer falls under the base year of an employee that employer is still liable for those unemployment benefits. He also mentions that employees who voluntarily quit may still be eligible to receive unemployment benefits. That decision is ultimately made by the EDD and the burden of proof is higher on an employee who voluntarily quits.
- d. Possible acceptance of employee termination

D. Thomas moves and Y. Ma-Chan seconds the motion to approve the acceptance of employee termination

D. Choi	R. Jones	M. Lavadenz	Y. Ma-Chan	M. Thomas	M. Wong	
Yes	Yes	Absent	Yes	Yes	Yes	

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned at 7:22 p.m.

Next Regular Board Meeting: 4/23/19

THE ORDER OF BUSINESS MAY BE CHANGED WITHOUT NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the order of consideration of matters on this agenda may be changed without prior notice.

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The Governing Board’s presiding officer reserves the right to impose reasonable time limits on public testimony to ensure that the agenda is completed.

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