

GRANADA HILLS CHARTER HIGH SCHOOL

Meeting of the Governing Board
May 14, 2018 4:00 p.m. Library
Minutes

In Attendance:

Brian Bauer, Executive Director (non-voting)	Joan Lewis, At Large Member
Supriya Chakravarty, At Large Member	Jim Salin, At Large Member (Chair)
Lorene Dixon, Parent Member	Jesus Vaca, At Large Member
Jody Dunlap, At Large Member	

Absent: Steve Bourguin, Retired Teacher member

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m. Jody Dunlap led the pledge of allegiance.

Updates/Reports to the Board

Student Council (*Salma Tarzi, incoming ASB President*)

Salma Tarzi has been elected Student Body President for the next academic term.

Brian Bauer reported that the WASC (Western Association of Schools and Colleges) Commissioners have granted our school a six-year accreditation with a mid-cycle progress report at the end of the third year. This is the strongest review the WASC visiting committee can grant a high school. Mr. Bauer introduced our WASC coordinator, English teacher Kyle Tacsik, and thanked him for his work in leading this process over the last two years.

Operations Committee (*Ron Korb, Chair*)

The committee has been discussing the spring testing bell schedule and are exploring suggestions for improvement, and has provided input to consider in the planning and implementation of possible whiteboard replacement in classrooms.

Curriculum and Instruction Committee (*Wendy Woodburn, Chair*)

The committee voted and approved a course entitled CP Radio. This course would include a GHC internet radio station and enrichment opportunities for students who are interested in learning about broadcasting. They also approved the allowance of a half GPA point for select college classes approved by the GHC counselor and according to the written guidelines. Both of these items will come before the Board for approval at the next meeting. The committee also voted to approve the Math Center for next year. Goals will be measured by incremental growth by looking at NWEA and SBAC scores. Information gathered in Summer Transition Academy will be used to identify students who will benefit from this program.

Student Services (*Jennifer Sheridan, Chair*)

The committee approved the proposal to amend the dress code to allow leggings to be worn without the restriction of a top that is fingertip plus an inch. The proposal was modified and approved to require leggings be worn with a top that covers the rear end. Board members discussed this proposal at length and requested that the committee meet again to recommend an alternative means to judging the length of the top before any revision to the Dress Code is approved.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mike Rivera, the GHCHS-UTLA chapter chair, made public comment regarding the upcoming negotiations given the current collective bargaining agreement expires at the end of June 2018.

Chief Business Officer's Report (*Erin Lillibridge*)

- **Action Item #4** – Ms. Lillibridge presented the year to date financial report, summarizing the School's revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balance, a balance sheet account summary and cash flow projections as of April 30, 2018. The Revised Budget column reflects the 2017-18 Second Interim Financial

report presented to the Board for approval in a previous agenda item. On May 11, 2018, Governor Jerry Brown released the May Revision amending his proposals for the State's 2018-19 Budget. Overall, the Administration is proposing minimal changes to Proposition 98 funding levels for 2018-19, however, the current year Proposition 98 minimum is projected to be \$400 million higher than the January estimate. Staff are scheduled to attend the School Services of California May Revision workshop on May 22, 2018, and will provide additional information with the GHC Preliminary budget presentation next month. The School uses the May Revision as the basis for preliminary budget funding assumptions.

Lorene Dixon made a motion to approve the YTD Financial Reports as of April 30, 2018. Jody Dunlap seconded the motion. Unanimously approved with the following votes:

Steve Bourgoiin	Absent		Lorene Dixon	Yes		Joan Lewis	Yes		Jesus Vaca	Yes
Supriya Chakravarty	Yes		Jody Dunlap	Yes		Jim Salin	Yes			

School Site Council Update (Jenny DaCosta, Administrative Director)

Jenny DaCosta reported that the council met today and reviewed the updates to the Single Plan for Student Achievement and provided it to the Board for discussion today. The updated plan contains the goals for the year, the basis for the goal, the expected annual measureable outcomes and strategies, along with the proposed expenditures for each. The finalized plan will be ready for approval at the next Board meeting.

Executive Director's Report (Brian Bauer)

- **Accountability Metrics** –David Bensingler, Administrative Director, reviewed and discussed with the Board the chronic absenteeism rate from this year's accountability metrics packet, broken down by ethnicity and student subgroup. Students are determined to be chronically absent if they were enrolled for a total of 30 days or more at the selected reporting level during the academic year and they were absent for 10% or more of the days they were expected to attend. Mr. Bensingler also provided a comparison to neighboring/similar schools and is happy to report that the GHC chronic absenteeism rate is only 1.7% - well below that of neighboring schools with the next closest coming in with a rate of 8.1% (Palisades Charter High).
- **Charter Renewal Update** – The team continues to meet weekly to ensure continuity and progress on both the charter petition and the advocacy efforts for the expanded grade levels. Mr. Bauer asked Marilyn Koziatek, Director of Communications and Development, to provide an update on the timeline and marketing of the campaign. She provided samples of parent and student testimonials that are currently being collected at all events, as well as letters of support from local community and legislators for the new grades.

Jim Salin made a motion to approve the 4/16/18 Board meeting minutes. Jesus Vaca seconded the motion. Unanimously approved with the following votes:

Steve Bourgoiin	Absent		Lorene Dixon	Yes		Joan Lewis	Yes		Jesus Vaca	Yes
Supriya Chakravarty	Yes		Jody Dunlap	Yes		Jim Salin	Yes			

Meeting adjourned to Closed Session at 5:25 p.m.

Meeting reconvened to Open Session at 5:52 p.m. Chair Salin reported that no action was taken.

Meeting adjourned at 5:53 p.m.