

# GROSSMONT UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT MINUTES

## Regular Governing Board Meeting Thursday, January 11, 2007

### I. PUBLIC (OPEN) SESSION CONVENED

President Schreiber, with all Board Members present, convened the meeting at 4:10 p.m., on Thursday, January 11, 2007, at the East County Regional Education Center, 924 East Main Street, El Cajon, California.

#### A. Public Comment on Closed Session Items – No Speakers

The Board immediately adjourned to executive (closed) session in the Assessment Room.

### II. EXECUTIVE (CLOSED) SESSION

The Governing Board met in executive (closed) session to consider student discipline, public employee matters, employer-employee negotiations, and potential litigation. Staff present in closed session: Superintendent Terry Ryan; Scott Patterson, Deputy Superintendent, Business Services; Mike Lewis, Assistant Superintendent, Educational Services; Steve Sonnich, Associate Administrator, Human Resources; and Debra Peterson, Executive Assistant. The executive session adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

### III. RECONVENE PUBLIC (OPEN) SESSION

The Governing Board, with all Board Members present, reconvened public session at 6:10 p.m. in the Board Room. Also present: Superintendent Terry Ryan; Scott Patterson, Deputy Superintendent, Business Services; Steve Sonnich, Associate Administrator, Human Resources; Mike Lewis, Assistant Superintendent of Educational Services; Debra Peterson, Executive Assistant; certificated and classified staff, students, and members of the community and the press. Alternate Student Board Member Claire DeBolt was present in open session only.

#### A. Call to Order

#### B. Pledge of Allegiance

### IV. AWARDS/RECOGNITIONS/SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

1. Recognition of Celia Baza, San Diego/Imperial County "Parent of the Year" by the California Association for Bilingual Education (CABE)
2. Recognition of Rafaela Zambrano, for Her Nomination as San Diego/Imperial County "Parent of the Year" by the California Association for Bilingual Education (CABE)
3. Recognition of El Cajon Valley High School Teacher, Jim McLaughlin, as Recipient of the GUHSD Education Innovator for the Month of January
4. Recognition of El Cajon Valley High School's AVID Program for Being Awarded National Demonstration School Status
5. Recognition of Monte Vista High School's AVID Program for Being Awarded National Demonstration School Status

### V. Communications from the Public on Topics that Fall Under the Subject Jurisdiction of the Governing Board. At this point in the agenda, the Board heard public comment on items on the agenda.

#### Public Speakers - Items On the Agenda:

Bill Weaver expressed his support of a high school in Alpine, and requested an agenda item in February for presentation to the Board from Alpine residents. Al Haven a resident of Alpine, also asked for a report to be placed on the agenda for February. George Barnett noted he was grateful to the Board for their interest in a high school in Alpine and now asked that action be taken to back up the verbal support. Wayne Sakaras expressed his desire to see more transparency in the District. Ken Sobel expressed his support of the Field Turf agenda item and his hope that all athletes in the District will have the opportunity to play on an artificial turf field. Ron Pennock asked the Board to consider public input at the time an item is voted on, and he also noted he was in support of an increase in CBOC membership.

#### Public Speakers - Items Not On the Agenda:

Terry Holland spoke to the Board about her concerns for the Homestead program relocation.

### VI. PROCEDURAL

## A. Report of Executive (Closed) Session Action

### Student Matters

Clerk Robert Shield reported that the Governing Board, in closed session, reviewed the findings of fact, the conclusion of law and any written objection to the same, which were presented by staff on student matters. The Governing Board then took action in public session to approve the recommendations. Separate action was taken on each item (a – e):

- a. MSC (Shield/Hoy) to approve the Suspended Student Expulsion in cases # 21 through 26. The motion carried 5/0.
- b. MSC (Shield/Urdahl) to approve the Stipulated/Suspended Student Expulsion in cases # 77 through 85. The motion carried 5/0.
- c. MSC (Shield/Urdahl) to Revoke the Suspended Student Expulsion in cases # 24 through 28. The motion carried 5/0.
- d. MSC (Shield/Urdahl) to Deny the Expulsion Lift in cases #21 through 51. The motion carried 5/0.
- e. MSC (Shield/Urdahl) to Approve the Expulsion Lift in case #52. The motion carried 5/0.

### Employee/Employer Negotiations

MSC (Hoy/Urdahl) in closed session, the Governing Board agreed to agendize the District's intent to bargain consideration of dental benefits for certificated retiree employees in accordance with Gov. Code §3547. The motion carried 5/0.

## B. Approval of Agenda

MSC (Urdahl/Hoy) to approve the January 11, 2007 agenda including an amendment to move action item IX.C. to immediately following the Report of the Audit Committee VII.B.1., and the following supplements, corrections, and deletions. The motion carried 5/0.

### SUPPLEMENTS:

- IX.A.1. – Ratification and Approval of Employment of Instructional Consultants
- IX.A.2. – Ratification and Approval of Long-Distance Student Travel
- IX.B.1. – Ratification and Approval of Certificated Personnel Actions
- IX.B.1. – Ratification and Approval of Classified Personnel Actions

### CORRECTIONS:

- VI.C. – Approval of Minutes – Date should have been listed as December 14, 2006
- Supplement to IX.B.1. was incorrectly labeled IX.B.2. and IX.B.2. was incorrectly labeled as IX.B.1.

### DELETE ITEMS:

- VII.B.2. – Report on Granite Hills High School WASC Mid-Term Report

## C. Approval of Minutes of the Regular Governing Board Meeting of December 14, 2006

MSC (Kelly/Shield) to approve the minutes of the December 14, 2006, Regular Governing Board meeting. The motion carried 5/0.

## D. Approval of Minutes of the Special Governing Board Meeting of December 21, 2006

MSC (Shield/Kelly) to approve the minutes of the December 21, 2006, Special Governing Board meeting with one minor correction related to the late arrival of a Board member. The motion carried 5/0.

## VII. INFORMATIONAL REPORTS / DISCUSSIONS

### A. Student Board Representative Board Report

Alternate Student Board Member Claire DeBolt reported on various ASB activities throughout the District including Winter Sports events.

### B. Special Reports

#### 1. Report of Audit Committee

Gregory Cook, of Vavrinek, Trine, Day & Company, LLP, reported that his findings indicated that the District had used good financial practices demonstrating that the District had properly maintained records and the records adequately reflected the financial status of the District.

**\* IV.C.3. Acceptance of the 2005-2006 Annual Audit Report by Vavrinek, Trine, Day & Company**

MSC (Shield/Urdahl) to accept the 2005-2006 Annual Audit Report by Vavrinek, Trine, Day & Company. The motion carried 5/0.

**2. Deleted**

**C. Superintendent's Report**

Superintendent Ryan introduced media clips highlighting several schools in the District.

**VIII. ACTION ITEMS / PUBLIC HEARINGS**

**A. Governing Board**

1. MSC (Urdahl/Hoy) to approve to increase the size of the Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee from seven to eleven members. The motion carried 4/1. (Member Kelly voted no.)

Member Urdahl requested this item to increase the number of members on the Citizen's Bond Oversight Committee from seven to eleven members. There was discussion related to the application process and the recommendations for categorical representation of newly appointed members.

2. MS (Schreiber/Hoy) to discuss identify/discuss all law firms and attorneys currently representing the District and provide copies of their agreements to the Board for discussion and possible action to rescind or extend. Superintendent described in writing legal matters performed by each law firm during the period July 1, 2005 through June 30, 2006, and during the period July 1, 2006, through November 30, 2006 and listed the total amount of fees paid monthly to each law firm during the period July 1, 2005 through June 30, 2006, and during the period July 1, 2006, through November 30, 2006. (The motion was withdrawn/no action taken.)
3. Consideration of Approving a Legal Firm to Serve as Counsel to the Governing Board (Item withdrawn by submitting Board Member Richard Hoy)

**B. Educational Services**

1. MSC (Hoy/Kelly) to adopt Resolution (2007-31) approving contract with the California Department of Education for providing child care and development services; and authorization for Superintendent or Designee to execute same. The motion carried 5/0.
2. MSC (Kelly/Shield) to adopt Resolution (2007-32) endorsing National School Counseling Week, February 5 Through February 9, 2007. The motion carried 5/0.

**C. Business Services**

1. Public Hearing on Adoption of Resolution (2007-13) Approving a Developer Fee Study and Setting Level I School Facilities Fees in Accordance With Government Code Sections 66001

President Schreiber declared the hearing open. Hearing no speakers, the hearing was declared closed.

2. MSC (Hoy/Urdahl) to adopt Resolution (2007-13) approving the GUHSD 2006 Developer Fee Study, and setting of Level I School Facilities Fees as justified by the GUHSD 2006/Developer Fee Study in accordance with Government Code Section 66001. The motion carried 5/0.

Deputy Superintendent Scott Patterson informed the Board that the fees would increase from .97 per square foot to \$1.00 per square foot, a 3% increase.

3. MSC (Schreiber/Shield) to adopt Resolution (2007-24) approving the Statutory School Facility Fees Report for Fiscal Year 2005-2006 ("Reportable Fees Report") in compliance with Government Code Sections 66006 and 66001. The motion carried 5/0.
4. MSC (Hoy/Kelly) to adopt Resolution (2007-30) authorizing standardizing of Field Turf as the District's model for artificial turf. The motion carried 5/0.
5. MSC (Hoy/Kelly) to approve the Monthly Budget Summary for the Period Ending November 30, 2006. The motion carried 5/0.

Member Schreiber requested that this information be posted on the website if possible with a summary for the public.

#### **IX. CONSOLIDATED AGENDA (ONE MOTION TO APPROVE ITEMS A. THROUGH C.)**

MSC (Kelly/Shield) to approve the Consolidated Motion (Consent Agenda). The motion carried 5/0.

##### **A. Educational Services (Mike Lewis, Assistant Superintendent)**

1. (Item held. Action reported under Section X.) Ratification and Approval of Employment of Instructional Consultant(s) in Compliance With Government Code Section 53060; and Authorization for Superintendent or Designee to Execute Same
2. Ratification and Approval of Long-Distance Student Travel
3. Approval to Submit and Implement, if Funded, the NASA/Qualcomm Robotics Grants for Participating Students of Chaparral High School; and Authorization for Superintendent or Designee to Execute Same

##### **B. Human Resources (Steve Sonnich, Associate Administrator)**

1. Ratification and Approval of Certificated Personnel Actions
2. Ratification and Approval of Classified Personnel Actions
3. Ratification and Approval of Certificated Personnel Actions, Helix Charter High School
4. Ratification and Approval of Classified Personnel Actions, Helix Charter High School
5. Ratification and Approval of Personnel Actions, Adult School, and Regional Occupational Program
6. Approval of the 2007-2008 School Year Calendar

##### **C. Business Services (Scott Patterson, Deputy Superintendent)**

1. (Item held. Action reported under Section X.) Approval of Employment of Business Consultant(s) in Compliance With Government Code Section 53060; and Authorization for Superintendent or Designee to Execute the Necessary Document(s)
2. Ratification and Approval of Revisions to the 2006-2007 Budget:
  - a. Transfer Funds Between Major Budget Categories
  - b. Transfers Affecting Revenue and Expense
  - c. Transfers Affecting the Fund Balance (Separate Document)
3. (Action taken and recorded VII.B.1.) Acceptance of the 2005-2006 Annual Audit Report by Vavrinek, Trine, Day & Company (Separate Document)
4. Ratification of Encumbered Purchase Orders and Contracts (Separate Documents)
5. Ratification and Approval of Paid Warrants
6. Approval of the 2006-2007 School Site Discretionary Site Block Grant Plans for Mount Miguel High School and Grossmont Adult School
7. Ratification of Change Orders Approved Pursuant to the Provisions of Resolution 2006-78
8. Ratification and Approval of Agreement (A-5435) With URS Corporation to Provide Consulting Services; and Authorization for Superintendent or Designee to Execute Same

9. (Item held. Action reported under Section X.) Ratification and Approval of Agreement (A-5436) With Merrick & Associates to Provide Design Services; and Authorization for Superintendent or Designee to Execute Same
10. Ratification and Approval of Lump-Sum Payment to Designated Individual(s) for Waiver or Buy-Out of Health Insurance
11. Ratification and Approval of Change Order No. 6, Bid No. GU-06.03.WUST, Infrastructure, Wet Utilities, Santana High School

#### **X. ITEMS PULLED FROM CONSOLIDATED MOTION TO BE VOTED ON SEPARATELY**

- IX.A.1.** MSC (Schreiber/Hoy) to ratify and approve employment of instructional consultant(s) in compliance with Government Code Section 53060. The motion carried 5/0.

President Schreiber pulled this item to highlight the upcoming Goals and Objectives workshop to be facilitated by a consultant and thanked Dr. Ryan, Dr. Lewis, and Director Cindy Douglas for their work on this workshop.

- IX.C.1.** MSC (Urdahl/Hoy) to approve employment of business consultant(s) in compliance with Government Code Section 53060. The motion carried 5/0.

Member Urdahl pulled this item to question justification of this contract. Deputy Superintendent Scott Patterson clarified that this item was an amendment to the original contract already approve by the Board for required additional analysis.

- IX.C.9.** MSC (Urdahl/Shield) to ratify and approve Agreement (A-5436) with Merrick & Associates to provide design services. The motion carried 5/0.

Member Urdahl pulled this item to affirm that this contact was the standard District contract using the template approve by county council.

#### **XI. ORGANIZATIONAL BUSINESS/COMMUNICATION**

##### **A. Board Member Reports**

Member Hoy reported that he had attended the Holiday luncheon at Santana High School. He said he also had the opportunity to tour the Science Department and attend an Academic League event at Monte Vista High School. Member Kelly reported that he had attended the Holiday luncheon at the District Office, and it was a great event that showed the unity and spirit of the staff. Member Shield reported that he had toured the Science Department at Monte Vista High School. Member Urdahl – no report. President Schreiber reported that she had attended the District Holiday luncheon and the Foothills PTA council Holiday luncheon.

##### **B. Items for Future Board Meeting Agendas**

1. Request for a Budget Workshop (Member Schreiber)
2. Discussion to Better Utilize Website (Member Hoy)
3. Formalize Into Policy Funding Unfunded Liabilities (Member Shield)
4. Governance Team Workshop (Member Schreiber)
5. Review Recommendations of Former District Committees (Member Schreiber)

#### **XI. COMMUNICATION ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA – No Speakers**

Adjournment 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

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Terry Ryan, Superintendent