

GROSSMONT UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT MINUTES

Regular Governing Board Meeting Thursday, November 10, 2005

I. PUBLIC (OPEN) SESSION CONVENED

President Jim Kelly, with a quorum of Board Members present, convened the meeting at 4:30 p.m., on Thursday, November 10, 2005, at the East County Regional Education Center, 924 East Main Street, El Cajon, California. Member Nehring arrived at 5:00 p.m. The Board immediately adjourned to executive (closed) session in the Resource 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; Bob Cornelius, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services; Mike Lewis, Assistant Superintendent of Educational Services; Steve Sonnich, Associate Administrator, Human Resources; and Debra Peterson, Executive Assistant. The executive session adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

III. RECONVENE PUBLIC (OPEN) SESSION

The Governing Board, with all Board Members present, reconvened public session at 6:35 p.m. in the Board Room. Also present: Superintendent Terry Ryan; Bob Cornelius, Assistant 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. Student Board Member Sarah Anderson was present in open session only.

A. Call to Order

B. Pledge of Allegiance

C. Moment of Silence

D. 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:

The following members of the public spoke in favor of approval of a charter for Steele Canyon High School: Dylon Gontenhammer, Liz Freeman, Alison Foster, Ken Hughes, Thomas Parr, Colleen Llanos, Larry Nichols, Ed Aceves, Peggy Crabtree, Leslie Messier, Michael Kellems, Eric Payne, Virginia Davis, Lianne Moss, and Susan Gillespie. The following people did not wish to speak, but asked that their names be recorded in favor of a charter school at Steele Canyon High School: Sonja Ramos, David Gillespie, Julie Drake, Rae Ann Gastrich, Suzanne Dupree Freeman, Gus Nunez, Nora Marie Murphy, Jim Torres, Kim Weed, Glenn Weed, K. Kerstetler, Madelyn Nunez, John Parsons, Karen Lewis, Melissa Hughes, Debra Sakarias, Wayne Sakarias, Mary Timm, Michelle Blue, Andrea Zigelman and Max Corrales, Mike Hendel, Shawnina Gomez, Kimber Beatty, Roger Hertel, Catie Linfesty, and Brendt Gideon.

E. Report of Executive (Closed) Session Action

Student Matters

- A. Clerk Larry Urdahl 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 – c):
 - a. MSC (Urdahl/Wills) to approve the Stipulated/Suspended Student Expulsion in cases # 9 through 29. The motion carried 4/0/1 (Member Nehring abstained).
 - b. MSC (Urdahl/Wills) to Revoke the Suspended Student Expulsion in case # 6 through 10. The motion carried 4/0/1 (Member Nehring abstained).
 - c. MSC (Urdahl/Schreiber) to approve the Suspended Student Expulsion in case # 1. The motion carried 4/0/1 (Member Nehring abstained).

- d. MSC (Urdahl/Wills) to approve the Student Expulsion in case # 1. The motion carried 4/0/1 (Member Nehring abstained).

IV. PROCEDURAL

A. Approval of Agenda

MSC (Nehring/Urdahl) to approve the November 10, 2005 agenda including the following supplements, corrections, and deletions. The motion carried 5/0.

SUPPLEMENTS:

- VIII. B. 2. – Ratification and Approval of Classified Personnel Actions
- VIII. B. 8. – Approval of Findings From Educational Management Solutions

CORRECTIONS:

- VIII. B. 8. – Approval of Findings From Educational Management Solutions (in Supplement only)
See Recommendations of All Job Classifications - Corrections to Supplement VIII. B. 8.
- Item V.C. moved to V.D.

DELETE ITEMS:

- VIII. C. 1. – Ratification and Approval of Employment of Business Consultants

B. Approval of Minutes of the Regular Governing Board Meeting of October 13, 2005

MSC (Urdahl/Wills) to approve the minutes of the October 13, 2005, Regular Governing Board meeting. The motion carried 5/0.

V. AWARDS/RECOGNITIONS/SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

A. Trolley Safety Presentation

Ernie Ewin, La Mesa City Councilman, gave a presentation on trolley safety and offered video training tapes for use in the high schools.

B. Foothills Council PTA President, Mindy Brandt, gave a report to the Board on PTSA events throughout the District. Ms. Brandt invited all Board members to attend the annual Holiday dinner in December. President Barbara Spagnola, reported on the activities of the District Advisory Council.

C. Charles Tyler, a teacher at Steele Canyon High School, presented a charter school request/petition to the Governing Board. Mr. Tyler outlined the purpose, community involvement, and leadership of the proposed charter. He requested that the Governing Board thoughtfully review the charter application.

D. Superintendents Executive Summary

Superintendent Ryan introduced attorney, Chris Keeler, District legal counsel, who will be providing the District with guidance, recommendations, and legal advice throughout the charter process. A public hearing regarding the charter proposal will be held at the December 8, 2005, Governing Board meeting.

VI. ACTION ITEMS

A. Human Resources

1. Public Hearing on the 2004-2007 Initial Collective Bargaining Agreements on Salary, Health and Welfare Benefits, and Contract Language From the California School Employees Association (CSEA) and the Service Employees International Union (SEIU)

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

2. MSC (Nehring/Wills) to ratify and approve the proposed collective bargaining agreements on contract language, salary and benefits with the California School Employees Association (CSEA), Bargaining Units I and II, exclusive representatives of the Classified Nonmanagement Employees, effective July 1, 2004, through June 30, 2007. The motion carried 5/0.

3. MSC (Wills/Schreiber) to ratify and approve the proposed collective bargaining agreements on contract language, salary and benefits with the Service Employees International Union (SEIU), Bargaining Unit III, exclusive representatives of the Classified Nonmanagement Employees, effective July 1, 2005, through June 30, 2007. The motion carried 5/0.

VII. INFORMATIONAL REPORTS – No Reports

VIII. CONSOLIDATED AGENDA (ONE MOTION TO APPROVE ITEMS A. THROUGH C.)

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

A. Educational Services (Mike Lewis, Assistant Superintendent)

1. 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 Memorandum of Understanding With Communities Against Substance Abuse to Provide Services for the Grossmont Union High School District Schools and Students; and Authorization for Superintendent or Designee to Execute Same
3. Ratification and Approval of Memorandums of Understanding With the Following Agencies to Provide Health Services for Eligible Children/Youth of the Grossmont Union High School District; and Authorization for Superintendent or Designee to Execute Same:
 - a. Family Health Centers of San Diego
 - b. County of San Diego, Health and Human Services Agency
 - c. Children's Mental Health Services
4. Ratification and Approval of Agreement With Christian High School to Provide Private School Teachers With an Opportunity to Participate in Activities Equivalent to the Opportunity Provided Public School Teachers as Required Under ESEA, Title II, Part A
5. Approval of Long-Distance Student Travel
6. Approval to Submit and Implement, if Funded, Paraprofessional Teacher Training Program Grant; and Authorization for Superintendent or Designee to Execute Same
7. Approval to Submit and Implement, if Funded, the Enhancing Education Through Technology Grant; and Authorization for Superintendent or Designee to Execute Same
8. Approval to Submit and Implement, if Funded, the Specialized Secondary Programs Grant, Mount Miguel High School; and Authorization for Superintendent or Designee to Execute Same
9. Approval to Submit and Implement, if Funded, the Striving Readers Program Grant; and Authorization for Superintendent or Designee to Execute Same
10. Approval of Individual Membership for the Grossmont Union High School District, School Year 2005-2006

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. Authorization to Employ Emily Barton as Interim Director of Categorical Programs and to Apply to the State Teachers' Retirement System (STRS) for Exemption Pursuant to Education Code Section 24216 for Emily Barton as Interim Director, Categorical Programs; and Authorization for Superintendent or Designee to Execute the Necessary Agreement
7. Approval of Revision of Job Class Specification and Salary Range Placement, in Supervisory Salary Schedule, for Supervisor, School Site Operations
8. Approval of Findings From Educational Management Solutions (EMS) Regarding Reclassifications and Salary Range Reallocation for Classified Employees in Bargaining Units I, II, III, Supervisory, and Confidential

C. Business Services (Bob Cornelius, Assistant Superintendent)

1. Ratification and Approval of Employment of Business Consultant(s) in Compliance With Government Code Section 53060; and Authorization for Superintendent or Designee to Execute the Necessary Agreement(s)
2. Ratification and Approval of Maintenance, Service, and Licensing Agreements and Warranties; and Authorization for the Superintendent or Designee to Execute Same
3. Ratification and Approval of Contractual and Encumbered Purchase Orders and Paid Warrants (Separate Document)
4. Ratification and Approval of Agreement (A-4968R2) With Practi-Cal for School Years 2005-06 Through 2007-08, Authorizing Practi-Cal as the Billing Agent for the Medi-Cal LEA Billing Program; and Authorization for Superintendent or Designee to Execute Same
5. Ratification and Approval of the Following Agreements for Student Transportation; and Authorization for Superintendent or Designee to Execute Same:
 - a. (A-5383) With Ballantyne Community Charter School
 - b. (A-5384) With Venture Christian High School
6. Ratification of Change Order #1 for Bid #2980, Infrastructure Upgrades at Grossmont High School
7. Ratification of Change Order #2 for Bid #2980, Infrastructure Upgrades at Grossmont High School
8. Ratification of Change Order #2 for Bid #2981, Infrastructure Upgrades Category 1 and 2 at Helix Charter High School
9. Ratification of Change Order #3 for Bid #2982, Infrastructure Upgrades at El Cajon Valley High School
10. Ratification of Change Order #4 for Bid #2982, Infrastructure Upgrades at El Cajon Valley High School
11. Ratification of Change Order #1 for Bid #2983, Infrastructure Upgrades Category 2 at Granite Hills High School
12. Ratification of Change Order #2 for Bid #2983, Infrastructure Upgrades at Granite Hills High School
13. Ratification of Change Order #1 for Bid #2990, Electrical Housing and Power Upgrades at Helix Charter High School
14. Ratification of Change Order #1 for Bid #2991, Electrical Housing and Power Upgrades at El Cajon Valley High School
15. Ratification of Change Order #1 for Bid #2994, Electrical Upgrade/Fire Alarm and Voice IP at Chaparral High School
16. Ratification of Change Order #1 for Bid #2986, Demolition for Site Infrastructure Upgrades at Grossmont, Helix Charter, El Cajon Valley, and Granite Hills High Schools
17. Approval of the Revised Budget for 2005-2006 (Separate Document)
18. Approval of Monthly Budget Summary for the Period Ending September 30, 2005 (Separate Document)
19. Approval to Renew Agreement (A-3691R15) With School Services of California, Inc., for Fiscal/Budget Services; and Authorization for Superintendent or Designee to Execute Same
20. Authorization for County Auditor and Assistant Superintendent, Business Services, to Reissue Outdated Warrants
21. Acceptance of Donations; and Authorization to Send Letters of Appreciation on Behalf of the Governing Board

D. Superintendent (Terry Ryan)

1. Establish the Organizational Meeting of the Grossmont Union High School District Governing Board as Thursday, December 8, 2005, at 6 p.m.

IX. ITEMS PULLED FROM CONSOLIDATED MOTION TO BE VOTED ON SEPARATELY – No Items

X. ORGANIZATIONAL BUSINESS/COMMUNICATION

Board Member Reports

Student Board Member Sarah Anderson thanked Member Schreiber for attending the ASB Executive Council meeting in November. She noted that all schools have now agreed to a set a standardized student events price with an ASB card. She also announced that District Airbands as well as a dodge ball competition were in the planning stages for the spring of 2006. Member Schreiber reported that she had attended the ASB Executive Council meeting, the Healthy Kids Workshop, and the PEEDs committee meeting, where declining enrollment in the East County was discussed. Ms. Schreiber noted that Grossmont Schools Federal Credit Union was sponsoring a student internship for a student involved in one of the District's Banking and Finance programs. Member Nehring stated that he was impressed by the field dedication at El Capitan High School in honor of Wendell Cutting. He stated that the Board would be looking at the submitted charter proposal and exploring, discussing, and evaluating the proposal. He expressed concern regarding the state budget numbers and the funding available for schools. Member Urdahl reported that he had attended the Wendell Cutting field dedication at El Capitan High School. He reported that he had visited Helix Charter High School and attended the parent information meeting at Steele Canyon High School. Mr. Urdahl assured the audience that he planned to thoroughly evaluate the proposed charter. Vice President Wills waived her report. President Jim Kelly noted that he had attended the Wendell Cutting field dedication at El Capitan High School and it was a great event. Mr. Kelly reported that he had visited Monte Vista, Santana, Chaparral, and West Hills High Schools with Superintendent Ryan this past month, and he enjoyed visiting with staff and watching student learning.

Items for Future Board Meeting Agendas

1. Report on the 12th High School Demographic Study/Overall Attendance Patterns (Member Urdahl)

XI. COMMUNICATION ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Aaron Landau, spoke to the Board regarding a proposal for an attendance incentive program. George Barnett, spoke to the Board regarding the commitment of the community of Alpine to the Grossmont Union High School District, and the Governing Board. Jack Shu spoke to the Board urging them to approve a salary increase for Helix Charter High School teachers.

Adjournment 9:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted: _____
Terry Ryan, Superintendent