

**GRAVENSTEIN UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
MINUTES**

January 11, 2012

**CALL TO ORDER**

4:48 PM President Horn called the meeting to order, Members Weaver, Zlotnick, Crocker, Horn present. Member Wickland joined the meeting at approximately 5:05 PM.

A walking tour of Hillcrest commenced to evaluate sites for a possible building addition to the Hillcrest campus. The board returned to the meeting room at 5:10 PM.

**PUBLIC INPUT ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA**

No input.

**APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA**

- A. Approval of Agenda Order
- B. Approval of Minutes :  
Regular Meeting Minutes  
December 14, 2011
- C. Vendor Warrant

President Horn moved to approve the consent agenda, Mem. Crocker seconded, 5-0 yes.

**BOARD REPORTS**

Mem. Weaver reported that he went to the Kindergarten Nutcracker and commented that there were too many people at the performance and suggested that two performances might alleviate some of the crowd.

Clerk Wickland commented that both Winter Concerts were great.

Pres. Horn reported that he went to the legal conference and has scanned the information to share it with other board members.

**SUPERINTENDENT REPORTS**

**Enrollment Update 2011-2012**

Current GUSD enrollment is 690.

**Enrollment Activities for 2012-2013 school year – Open House (not confirmed) January 28 10:30-12:00**

This will be an Open House for families interested in GUSD for 2012-13. There will be separate events at Gravenstein and Hillcrest—on the same day.

**Mental Health AB3632/Special Education Funding Update**

We will be submitting for our reimbursement this month. Our total cost is \$138,000 for 2011-12. We should be completely reimbursed.

**Gravenstein School Updates**

During the two week break the new computers for the Gravenstein computer lab arrived. Three toilets were also replaced. Brian Sposato reported on some other improvement projects.

**HILLCREST REPORT**

Principal Fichera reported on the December Honor Roll assembly, Hillcrest Winter Concert, various holiday donations that students made to those in need during the holidays, and the current athletic activities at Hillcrest.

**GUTA REPORT**

Katrina Latham reported on the GUTA's opinion on the Charter School and construction at Hillcrest.

**BUSINESS**

**Modular Building Update**

Still waiting on a sign off to pay the final bill. No action taken.

**Budget Update**

Business Manager Denise Westbrook presented the Preschool Budget and Daycare Budget. Supt. LaMarre discussed the fact that the preschool has more expenditures than revenues at the current time). The Daycare Budget shows a projected positive income, however. It was suggested by Member Crocker that the topic of Preschool Budget be added to a future board agenda. No action taken.

**Charter School Discussion/Action**

Supt. LaMarre has a phone conference scheduled with an attorney who specializes in charter school conversion for this coming week. Pres. Horn moved to authorize Supt. LaMarre to organize a committee to work on the charter conversion and to establish a budget of \$10,000 for this purpose, Zlotnick seconded, 5-0 yes.

**2010-2011 Audit Review/Approval**

Mem. Zlotnick moved to approve the audit report, Clerk Wickland seconded, 5-0 yes.

**Approval of Audit Service for the 2011-12 School Year by Stephen Roatch Accountancy**

Mem. Crocker moved to approve, Mem. Zlotnick seconded, 5-0 yes.

**Discussion of Possible General Obligation Bond**

Pres. Horn presented the possibilities of adding to Hillcrest a modular building which could be funded by the district, or a permanent building which would be funded through a general obligation bond. A conversation led to a consensus that Pres. Horn and Supt. LaMarre would investigate placing a bond on a future ballot to fund a permanent building addition at Hillcrest.

**Possible Building Addition (s) at the Hillcrest Campus**

Mem. Zlotnick moved to authorize Supt. LaMarre to begin working with an architect to install a modular building that is up to 1600 square feet in the place of the former teacher work room and storage room at Hillcrest, Pres. Horn seconded, 5-0 yes.

**Home to School Transportation Update**

At the Transportation meeting today, a small school district bus replacement was voted on, but this will be at no additional cost to the district. No action taken.

**Board Policies and Administrative Regulations**

**BP/AR 1113 Community Relations**

Mem. Zlotnick moved to approve AR 1113 and rescind the former, Pres. Horn seconded, 5-0 yes. BP 1113 has been tabled to the February meeting.

**Article V Sec. 5.2f Director of Fiscal Services (Business Manager Job Description)**

Mem. Zlotnick moved to approve as modified and rescind the former, Mem. Weaver seconded, 5-0 yes.

**FUTURE MEETING DATES AND AGENDA ITEMS**

Approve minutes of 12/14/11 special meeting; discuss preschool budget and fees

**PUBLIC COMMENT ON ITEMS IN CLOSED SESSION**

No public comment.

**ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION**

Mem. Zlotnick moved to adjourn to closed session at 7:52 PM, Mem. Wickland seconded, 5-0 yes.

- A. Conference with Labor Negotiator, District – Mrs. LaMarre, Name of Organization – Gravenstein Union Teachers Association**
- B. Potential Litigation – per GC54956.9 (b)(3)(c)**
- C. Superintendent Evaluation**

**RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION**

Member Zlotnick moved and Member Crocker seconded to reconvene to Open Session at 8:00 pm

**Announce action taken in Closed Session**

No Action taken

**ADJOURNMENT**

Pres. Horn moved and Member Weaver seconded to adjourn at 8:00 pm