

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

January 9, 2013

**CALL TO ORDER**

Pres. Wickland called the meeting to order at 5:04 PM, Clerk Zlotnick, Members Weaver, Beck, Horn present.

**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 12, 2012**

Mem. Weaver commented that the notes were misaligned on page 3 and that the date for the January meeting was mistyped as January 9, 2012.

**C. Vendor Warrants**

Mem. Weaver asked about a payment to Redwood Empire Pediatric that was for an Occupational Therapy Assessment. Other questions were in regards to changes in accounting because of the charter conversions.

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

**Board Reports**

Mem. Weaver attended two performances at Gravenstein: a Thanksgiving play and the Kindergarten Nutcracker. He shared that they were great and well attended.

Pres. Wickland and Mem. Horn went to the Gravenstein concert and reported that it was great.

**Superintendent Reports**

**Enrollment – January 2013**

As of today, Kindergarten is at 78. Enrollment activities are underway for 2013-14.

**Kindergarten Update for 2013-14**

An ad for a Kindergarten Open House will be running in the Press Democrat. There will be a separate ad running for Hillcrest for a registration Open House on that campus.

**Hillcrest Building Update**

\$2,000 is being held until the final completion approved by the DSA inspector.

**National Blue Ribbon Award  
Application Update**

The board received an update on this item.

### **Hillcrest Report**

Principal Fichera reported that the Hillcrest Winter concert was a great success. The Exemplary Arts Award Application has been submitted and the staff is beginning work on the National Blue Ribbon Award. Enrollment activities for next school year are underway.

### **GUTA Report**

Linda Helton reported that the Hillcrest staff is very excited about the National Blue Ribbon Award.

### **BUSINESS**

#### **Replacement of Gravenstein Daycare/Staff Lunch Room**

Architect Doug Hilberman reported that some new bids have come in for this project that are nearly \$100,000 less than the previous bids. A variety of questions were asked regarding the details about the "lease, lease-back" model that is being proposed for this project.

Clerk Zlotnick moved to authorize Supt. LaMarre contract with AXIA architects for the design services for the new daycare building at Gravenstein and provide the board with more information on the "lease, lease-back" option versus other bid options, Mem. Horn seconded, 5-0 yes.

#### **Replacement of Playground Equipment at Gravenstein and Hillcrest Schools**

Doug Hilberman reported that new playground regulations came out from DSA last March and he had recommended waiting until the manufacturers caught up with new regulations. The manufacturers should have updated their equipment by now. Pres. Wickland moved to authorize Supt. LaMarre to look into replacing playground equipment at Hillcrest and Gravenstein, Clerk. Zlotnick seconded, 5-0 yes.

#### **Track at Gravenstein**

Doug Hilberman reported that he has been pursuing donation of materials for the project and has lowered the material cost down to \$15,000. The labor costs are currently at \$35,000 and he will pursue lowering those through donations. Miller Pacific has said they will donate their services for engineering. The architectural and engineering costs have been donated at this point. Mr. Hilberman is hoping to bring the costs for the project under \$50,000. The original cost estimate was approximately \$130,000. He is requesting a decision by the March meeting so that if authorized, the project could be completed in the summer of 2013. Mem. Horn moved to table this item until March, Pres. Wickland seconded, 5-0 yes.

#### **Acceptance/Certification of 2011-12 Audit**

Clerk Zlotnick moved to accept and certify the audit for 2011-12, Mem. Horn seconded, 5-0 yes.

#### **Update of RFQ for Architectural Services for Bond Construction**

There is an advertisement going into the Press Democrat requesting RFQs and there will be a site walk on January 16. The site walk will be on both campuses. No action taken.

#### **Resolution No. 13-1-09-1 of the GUSD Board Certifying to the Board of Supervisors of Sonoma County all Proceedings in the Nov. 6, 2012 General Obligation Bond Election**

Mem. Weaver moved to pass the resolution, noting that the year had to be changed on the second page, Pres. Wickland seconded, 5-0 yes.

**Resolution No 13-1-9-2 of the USD Board Adopting Bylaws Governing Citizens Oversight Committee for the 2012 Measure M Bond**

Mem. Weaver moved to adopt the resolution, Mem. Beck seconded, 5-0 yes.

**Discussion – School Lunches for 2013-14**

Superintendent LaMarre is in conversation with Santa Rosa City Schools and Revolution Foods to provide lunches rather than Preferred Meals.

**Business Office Position**

This position has been posted. If the search proves unfruitful then the district could consider contracting School Services to conduct the search.

**Policies**

**BP/AR and E 3541.1 Transportation For School Related Trips**

On page 3, paragraph 2 of the AR is to be changed to reflect that the teacher will keep the permission slips, not the driver of the car. Clerk Zlotnick requested Supt. LaMarre to bring an edited version of the new BP/AR to the February meeting. Mem. Horn moved to table this to the next meeting, Mem. Weaver seconded. 5-0 yes.

**BP/AR 5144.1 Suspension and Expulsion/Due Process**

On page 4 of the BP, do not include the optional paragraph toward the bottom that begins "To ensure the proper supervision and ongoing learning of students....."

Delete Option 1 on page 5.

Clerk Zlotnick moved to approve the policy with the amendments and rescind the current policy, Mem. Horn seconded, 5-0 yes.

On the AR, delete "2." at the top of page 9. Delete "Note" in the middle of the page regarding Item #2. A question is raised about the section on page 25 that indicates that "a student expelled from any of grades K-6 shall not be combined or merged with programs offered to students in any of grades 7-12."

Mem. Horn moved to table the AR until the February meeting, Clerk Zlotnick seconded, 5-0 yes.

Mem. Zlotnick moved to adopt the BP and rescind the old policy, Mem. Horn seconded, 5-0 yes.

**BP 0410 Nondiscrimination in District Programs and Activities**

Mem Zlotnick moved to adopt the BP with amendments and rescind the former policy, Mem. Beck seconded, 5-0 yes.

**BP/AR 1312.3 Uniform Complaint Procedures**

Member Zlotnick moved and Member Beck seconded to adopt BP 1312.3, 5-0 yes.

Mem. Horn moved to table the AR to the February meeting, Pres. Wickland seconded, 5-0 yes.

**FUTURE MEETING DATES AND AGENDA ITEMS**

Pres. Wickland mentioned school safety and traffic safety as future agenda items.

**Next Regularly Scheduled Board Meeting – February 13, 2013 at Gravenstein School Room 13**

**PUBLIC COMMENT ON ITEMS IN CLOSED SESSION**

None

**ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION**

Mem. Horn moved to adjourn to closed session at 8:30 PM, Clerk Zlotnick seconded, 5-0 yes.

**A. Hiring – Temporary Walk-on Coaches: 6<sup>th</sup> Boys Basketball – Jim Fain, 6<sup>th</sup> Girls Basketball – John Kolsrud**

**B. Conference with Labor Negotiator, District – Mrs. LaMarre, Ne of Organization – Gravenstein Union Teachers Association**

**C. Potential Litigation – per GC54956.9 (b)(3)(c)**

**D. Public Employee – Discipline/Dismissal/Release**

**E. Superintendent Evaluation**

**RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION**

At 8:43 Member Zlotnick moved to reconvene to Open Session. Pres. Wickland seconded the motion. Vote-5-0 yes.

**Announce action taken in Closed Session**

Temporary Walk-on coaches hired were announced.

**ADJOURNMENT**

At 8:44 Member Zlotnick moved to adjourn. Member Horn seconded the motion. Vote 5-0 yes.