

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

October 8, 2014

- I. **CALL TO ORDER** Pres. Wickland called the meeting to order at 4:05 PM, Members Weaver, Beck, Horn and Pres. Wickland present.
- II. **PUBLIC INPUT ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA** Peter Kostas, candidate for the Sonoma County Board of Education, addressed the board. He is making an effort to visit boards in the district that he would represent.
- III. **APPOINTMENT OF NEW TRUSTEE TO FILL BOARD VACANCY**
- A. **Interview of Candidates for Board Vacancy** Candidate Arif Virji was interviewed by the board.
- B. **Approval of Appointment of Trustee** Mem. Horn moved to appoint Arif Virji to the board, Mem. Weaver seconded, 4-0 yes.
- Arif Virji was sworn in to the board by Supt. LaMarre.
- IV. **APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA**
- A. **Approval of Agenda Order**
- B. **Approval of Minutes: Regular Meeting Minutes 9-10-2014** Align left and right columns.
- Add votes to items E and F on Pg. 3
- Correct alignment on Pg. 4.
- Add that there have been no noise complaints from neighbors about the Hillcrest construction project.
- C. **Vendor Warrants**
- D. **Donation - \$60 towards K-5 classroom supplies or Arts/Music program from Deborah Siemer**
- E. **Williams Act Quarterly Report for quarter ending September 30, 2014** Pres. Wickland moved to approve, Mem. Horn seconded, 5-0 yes.
- V. **REPORTS/CORRESPONDENCE**

**A. Board Reports** Mem. Beck reported that she observed Walk and Roll to School Day at Hillcrest today.

**B. Superintendent Report**

1. **2014-15 Enrollment** District enrollment is currently 702.
2. **GSF and MPF Updates** The GSF Halloween Carnival and Bingo events will be taking place at Hillcrest. The GSF Jog-a-Thons have just been completed.
3. **Preschool Status** A state representative did a site visit on the Gravenstein Preschool, which is not currently being operated. The representative said that Gravenstein needed to request for an inactive child care license status.
4. **Audit 2013-14** The auditor was here on October 1. The exit interview between Supt. LaMarre and the auditor indicated that the audit went very well.
5. **Bond Oversight Committee Meeting Date** Supt. LaMarre is corresponding with Steve Schwartz, the committee chair, to establish a meeting date. She will let the Board know when the date is set.
6. **RESIG Public Self-Insurer's Annual Report** This is included in the packet for information.
7. **CAASPP (California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress) 2014 Report** Gravenstein 5<sup>th</sup> grade was 93% proficient or above in Science CAASPP 2014, highest proficiency rate in county for 5<sup>th</sup> grade. Hillcrest 8<sup>th</sup> grade was 92% proficient or above in Science, second highest proficiency rate in county for 8<sup>th</sup> grade.

**C. Hillcrest Report** Principal Fichera reported on field trips, athletics, and drama.

**D. GUTA Report** GUTA President Allie Brown surveyed the membership on what they felt the best use of one time money would be. She reported that 20% of the membership responded to the survey. The majority of responses favored facility improvements.

**VI. BUSINESS**

**A. Measure M Bond Project Update** Architect Doug Hilberman presented the selection of color choices for the new Science and Music buildings at Hillcrest.

No action taken.

**B. Contract Amendment #2 with AXIA on Hillcrest Science and Music Building** Mem. Horn recused himself from the vote. Doug Hilberman explained that the Handicap Drop-Off included in the original design was relocated. This contract is for the design and

engineering to relocate. Pres. Wickland moved to approve the contract, Mem. Virji seconded, 4-0-1 abstain, yes.

**C. Update on Gravenstein Elementary Modernization**

Doug Hilberman reported that AXIA is creating an "Auto-Cad" version of the architectural plans for Gravenstein elementary school.

No action taken.

**D. Public Hearing – Textbook and Instructional Materials Sufficiency for GUSD for the 2014-15 School Year**

Pres. Wickland moved to open the Public Hearing at 5:24 PM, Mem. Weaver seconded, 5-0 yes.

Mem. Weaver asked if the textbooks were sufficient. Supt. LaMarre and attending teachers reported that they are.

Pres. Wickland moved to close the public hearing at 5:25 PM, Mem. Weaver seconded. 5-0 yes.

**E. Resolution 1409-2 Textbook and Instructional Materials Sufficiency for GUSD for the 2014-15 School Year**

Pres. Wickland moved to approve, Mem. Horn seconded, 5-0 yes.

**F. 2014-15 Agreement for Services for Sonoma County Cooperative School Districts**

Mem. Weaver moved to authorize the agreement, Mem. Beck seconded, 5-0 yes.

**G. 2014-15 Agreement for Sonoma County Schools Connect Consortium Telecommunications Services Public Schools - \$6,331**

Mem. Weaver moved to approve, Pres. Wickland seconded, 5-0 yes.

**VII. Board Policies**

**A. BP 4040 – Acceptable Use of Technology Policy and Agreement for Employees**

Mem. Weaver moved to table the item, Pres. Wickland seconded, 5-0 yes.

**VIII. FUTURE MEETING DATES AND AGENDA ITEMS**

- Next regular meeting date: November 12, 5 PM, 2014

- BP 4040
- Another Board Policy
- Use of One Time Funds

**IX. PUBLIC COMMENT ON ITEMS IN CLOSED SESSION**

No Comments.

- X. **ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION** President Wickland moved to adjourn at 5:36 PM, Mem. Horn 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) Case Number: SCV-254499**
  - C. **Public Employee**
    - I. **Hiring – 7.5 hour Teacher’s Assistant and Daycare for 2014-15 – Tammy Buntman** Mem. Horn moved, Mem. Virji seconded, 5-0 yes.
  - D. **Superintendent Evaluation**
- XI. **RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION** Mem. Horn moved to adjourn to Open Session at 6:05 PM, Mem. Weaver seconded, 5-0 yes.
- A. **Announce action taken in Closed** Hired employee as listed above.
- XII. **ADJOURNMENT** President Wickland moved to adjourn at 6:06 PM. Mem. Horn seconded, 5-0 yes.