

**Galt Joint Union Elementary School District**  
**Board of Education**  
*“Building a Bright Future for All Learners”*

**Board/Community Engagement Session**  
Board of Education  
Galt Joint Union Elementary School District

**Wednesday, February 3, 2016**  
Valley Oaks Elementary School  
21 C Street, Galt, CA 95632

**Board Members Present**

Kevin Papineau  
Wesley Cagle  
Grace Malson  
John Gordon  
Matthew Felix

Karen Schauer  
Robert Nacario  
Lois Yount  
Judith Hayes  
Ron Rammer  
Jim Freeman  
Jaime Hughes

**Administrators Present**

Claudia Del Toro-Anguiano  
Tom Barentson  
Donna Whitlock  
Jamie Hughes  
David Nelson  
Laura Marquez  
Donna Whitlock

## MINUTES

- A. 5: 35 p.m. Principal and Staff Tour of Valley Oaks Elementary Facilities**
- B. The Open Meeting was called to order at 6:09 p.m. by Kevin Papineau followed by the flag salute.**
- C. Galt Community Engagement Session to Consider Facilities Improvement Needs, Call Meeting to Order, Flag Salute**

Karen Schauer provided an overview of the Facilities Master Plan.

Tom Barentson shared information on Impactful Projects, Budget Overview, and the Potential for a Bond Measure.

Input and ideas were received from the community for the GJUESD Board of Trustees and staff to consider for facilities priorities and funding decisions.

Themes from the session related to facilities priorities include:

Basic Infrastructure:

- o running water in every classroom
- o science lab at every school
- o permanent classrooms with teacher pods

Repairs & Upgrades:

- o electrical, heating & air, leaky roofs,
- o better lighting
- o adequate and safe parking

Learning Environment:

- o equitable BFLCs

- pest-free
- larger
- flexible
- attractive

Other:

- basic needs should not get in the way of learning
- funds spent to support Fairsite should be reconsidered

Themes from the session related to what schools should have include:

Equal facilities:

- all sites should have basic needs met, i.e. electrical, heating & air, leaky roofs, adequate lighting
- running water in every classroom

Equitable Facilities:

- the majority of attendees felt that schools with the most needs should get the most funding available and all teachers should teach in permanent buildings with pods

Something Else:

- appearance of site matters
- fencing may make schools feel as though they are an island, separate from the community
- school is a second home for some families

**D. Pending Agenda Items**

1. Electronic Board Agenda Packet
2. School Furniture Analysis
3. Governance Team Continuous Improvement

**E. Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 8:01 p.m.

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