

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

Regular Board Meeting
Board of Education
Galt Joint Union Elementary School District

Wednesday, March 21, 2018
Galt City Hall Chambers
380 Civic Drive, Galt, CA 95632

Board Members Present

John Gordon
Grace Malson
Matthew Felix
Wesley Cagle
Kevin Papineau

Karen Schauer
Tom Barentson
Lois Yount
Judith Hayes
Donna Gill
Kuljeet Nijjar

Administrators Present

Stephanie Simonich
Julie Grandinetti
Laura Marquez
Jamie Hughes
Claudia Del Toro-Anguiano
Donna Mayo-Whitlock

MINUTES

- A.** Present for closed session: Karen Schauer, Tom Barentson, Claudia Del Toro-Anguiano, Donna Mayo-Whitlock, John Gordon, Grace Malson, Matthew Felix, Wesley Cagle, Kevin Papineau

Closed Session was called to order at 5:50pm by John Gordon to discuss the following items:

1. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR, Government Code §54957.6
Agency Negotiator: Karen Schauer, Tom Barentson, Donna Mayo-Whitlock, Claudia Del Toro-Anguiano
 - Employee Agency: (GEFA) Galt Elementary Faculty Association
 - Employee Agency: (CSEA) California School Employee Association
 - Non-Represented Employees
2. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE APPOINTMENT, Government Code §54957
 - Title: Director of Business Services
3. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE DISCIPLINE/DISMISSAL/RELEASE, Government Code §54957
4. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION, Government Code §54957
 - Superintendent

- B. Closed Session Adjourned** at 6:56pm. The open meeting was called to order at 7:01pm by John Gordon followed by the flag salute. He announced action in closed session: Upon the motion of Grace Malson, seconded by Kevin Papineau, by a vote of 5 Ayes to 0 Nays, to appoint Lois Yount, Director of Business Services.

Lois Yount thanked Board members.

C. Public Comment

1. There was no public comment.

D. Recognition

1. Galt Youth Commission members, Celio Gonzalez and Cristian Gonzalez presented information on Operation Earth: Project Green Interactive Art Exhibit. The exhibit is Friday, April 20, 2018 and is collaboration between every elementary, middle and high school in Galt as well as the Marian O. Lawrence Library and features art related to climate change and the consequences of our action.
2. Karen Schauer recognized Judith Hayes, Lake Canyon Elementary Principal, selection by Assembly Member Jim Cooper, representing the 9th Assembly District for Outstanding Leadership and Community Service.

Judith Hayes addressed the board. She indicated that Assemblyman Jim Cooper visited Lake Canyon a few times and was intrigued by opportunities being offered to students at Lake Canyon. She indicated she is excited to go to the State Capital on behalf of staff and their efforts.

E. Reports

LCAP GOAL 1

Develop and implement a personalized learning and strengths-based growth plan for every learner that articulates and transitions to high school learning pathways while closing the achievement gap.

1. Karen Schauer provided a Career Technical Education and Pathways: Expanding Resources Update. She indicated that the District is finalizing a planning grant proposal for strengthened career technical education grades 5-8. This includes attention to high school articulation with career pathways. The grant funding provides \$25,000 for planning purposes and would better support the District's cradle to career efforts.

John Gordon stated that Matthew Perry, Sacramento County Office of Education (SCOE), Assistant Superintendent overseeing Career Technical Education (CTE) programs conveyed his interest in partnering with the district to expand CTE programs in Galt.

Karen Schauer stated that SCOE sent a CTE representative to meet with district leadership to share resource information that could help implement a program.

LCAP GOAL 2

Implement California State Standards in classrooms and other learning spaces through a variety of blended learning environments while closing the achievement gap.

1. Claudia Del Toro-Anguiano reported on Next Generation Science Standards (NGSS) National Science Peer Review Panel Member Selection. She indicated that Barbara Woods has been selected to serve as a peer reviewer on Achieve's Science Peer Review Panel, a group of educators working to evaluate instructional materials designed for the Next Generation Science Standards (NGSS). Ms. Woods is one of 13 educators selected from 300 applicants.

Barbara Woods stated she is honored to be selected. She indicated her selection will connect her to a network of national educators and resources to help further deepen the work GJUESD is engaged in.

2. Claudia Del Toro-Anguiano reported on GJUESD and Next Generation Science Standards (NGSS) Sample Lesson Sequence. She indicated that a group of NGSS lead educators including: Barbara Woods, Christa Dunkel, John Durand, Jose Martin, Cindy McCown, Michelle Mobley, and Heather Trovinger developed a Galt NGSS aligned learning sequence.

Barbara Woods shared a sample of the collaborative work. She stated that the goal was to provide lessons that were teacher friendly by creating a sequence that is like a teacher manual. The margins provide embedded staff development and notes for English language development, engagement and high achieving learners. Focus areas include service learning, career paths, writing tasks and developing teacher capacity while teaching learners about being informed citizens.

LCAP GOAL 3

Processes and measures for continuous improvement and accountability are applied throughout the district, including personalized evaluation processes for educators.

No report.

LCAP GOAL 4

School facilities are safe, healthy, hazard free, clean and equipped for 21st century learning.

1. Tom Barentson provided a Facilities and Measure K Implementation Update. He indicated that the District will be submitting plans for 4 schools that will have major modifications in the next year. In addition, the next Citizens Oversight Committee meeting is April 9, 2018 at River Oaks Elementary.

John Gordon reflected on last month's meeting when the Board discussed school boundaries. He indicated that he would like to have a discussion about equity and the number of classrooms at each school. The Board agreed to add this as a pending agenda item.

2. Karen Schauer reported on Joint Safety Communication: Galt Joint Union Elementary School District, Galt Joint Union High School District and Galt Police Department. She indicated that a letter was sent to GJUESD and GJUHSD families to let them know that both school district and local law enforcement have been in communication to determine how best to use combined resources to ensure school safety plans and protocols are up to date in light of the Parkland, Florida High School shooting.

Dr. Schauer stated that the most proactive measure the district can take is to create safe school environments through providing a positive school climate for learners. Part of that involves efficient and responsive information flow.

Julie Grandinetti shared an activity used at McCaffrey Middle School on March 14, 2018, National School Walk-out Day. She indicated that they developed a plan that allowed students to participate on the subject by assembling in the school multi-purpose room and responding in writing to three prompts about weapons violence and messages for the Florida High School students. The responses were sent to Congressman Jerry McNerney's office, representing CA's 9th District.

3. Tom Barentson reported on Joint Powers Authority (JPA) Meeting. He provided an overview of how the JPA was created to issue special taxes to create school facilities to be financed by a Community Facilities District. The JPA consists of a 5 member Board that includes 2 Galt High School District Board members, 2 GJUESD Board members and 1 At Large Community Board Member. Mr. Barentson stated that the At Large Community Board Member has resigned and a new member is being sought.

Mr. Barentson stated that there are some potential projects that could still be funded through the JPA.

Kevin Papineau provided an overview of the JPA meeting held on March 19, 2018. He indicated that there have been questions as to available funds or additional taxes that could be levied by the JPA Board. As a JPA Board member, Mr. Papineau requested a list of projects that the JPA fund was created for, before considering funding options.

At the JPA meeting, the high school district financial advisor presented information that described why the JPA was formed. The financial advisor indicated that the JPA was formed to build school facilities before there was state funding. More research is being conducted by both school districts to 1) confirm state/bond funding uses that came after the JPA was formed and 2) determine options as the JPA sunsets. The next JPA meeting is May 7, 2018 to share additional research and to possibly seat a community member on the JPA Board.

Karen Schauer stated that GJUESD financial advisor, Lori Raineri and other experts including Addison Covert, Attorney at Law and Blair Aas, SCI Consultant will thoroughly research these matters in preparation for future meetings and important decisions.

John Gordon stated that the JPA could levy taxes without a vote up to \$60 million dollars. Tom Barentson stated that the funds cannot be used for modernization. The \$60 million was considered prior to state funding. The current debt service for the bonds is scheduled to be paid in full by November 2024.

Karen Schauer stated that the historical information appears to demonstrate that the JPA Board made decisions that reduced what was needed by bond funding due to the state funds that came available for building new schools.

She also indicated the trust and confidence of our community resulted in two successful school bond measures. The District wants to ensure we sustain this public confidence for future educational and facilities needs.

Tom Barentson stated that in 2013, the JPA reduced the special rate by 30% to stimulate growth in the city while continuing to pay back the debt.

F. Recommended Actions

1. Routine Matters/New Business

171.863 John Gordon pulled item g. Converge One E-Rate proposal.

**Consent
Calendar**

A motion was made by Kevin Papineau to approve all other items on the consent calendar, seconded by Grace Malson and unanimously carried.

- a. Approval of the Agenda
- b. Minutes: February 28, 2018 Regular Board Meeting
- c. Payment of Warrants:
Vendor Warrant Numbers: 389083-389122; 390442-390485; 390933-390936
Certificated/Classified Payrolls Dated: 2/28/18 and 3/9/18

- d. Personnel
 - 1. Resignations/Retirement
 - 2. Leave of Absence Requests
 - 3. New Hires

- e. Grant Agreement by and Between the County of Sacramento and GJUESD for the Cosumnes River Preserve Horseshoe Lake Restoration Project

- f. Out of State Conference Attendance: Barbara Woods, Achieve Science Peer Review Panel New Members Meeting, Washington D.C.

John Gordon asked clarifying questions regarding the bidding process.

Minh Do, Technology Coordinator, described the bidding process. He indicated the district received six vendor bids and Converge One matched district needs best.

John Gordon made a motion to approve Converge One proposal, seconded by Matthew Felix and unanimously carried.

171.872	Consent Calendar (Continued) – Items Removed for Later Consideration	CC Items Removed
171.873	A motion was made by Grace Malson to approve 2017-18 Comprehensive Safety Plans for Lake Canyon Elementary, Marengo Ranch Elementary, River Oaks Elementary, Valley Oaks Elementary, Vernon E. Greer Elementary and Robert L. McCaffrey Middle School, seconded by Wesley Cagle and unanimously carried.	Safety Plans
171.874	A motion was made by Kevin Papineau to approve Resolution #13 Calling the Election and Requesting Consolidation with the November 6, 2018 General Election, seconded by Wesley Cagle and unanimously carried.	Res 13 Calling Election
171.875	A motion was made by Grace Malson to approve GJUESD School Psychologist Salary Schedule, seconded by John Gordon and unanimously carried.	Psych Salary Schedule
171.876	A motion was made by Matthew Felix to approve GJUESD Job Descriptions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Dispatcher 2. Instructional Assistant 3. Yard Supervisor Seconded by Kevin Papineau and unanimously carried.	Job Descriptions

G. Pending Agenda Items

1. School Furniture Analysis and Pilot Programs
2. School Site Equity

H. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8:25pm

Board Approved: April 25, 2018