

Item # 13. A

GRIDLEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT  
429 Magnolia Street  
Gridley, CA 95948

MINUTES  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
January 23, 2008

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1. CALL TO ORDER

The Board of Trustees of the Gridley Unified School District met in Regular Session in the District Office, Eric Waterbury, Board President, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL / QUORUM

Present: Eric Waterbury, Ken Olson, Doris Pettersen, Diadra Cain

Absent: Nicki Herrera Llerenas, Linda Wilson, Lloyd Pierce

Administrator: Clark S. Redfield

It was established that a quorum was present and that the Board proceed with the order of business.

3. RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION

The meeting was recessed into closed session at 6:01 p.m.

4. RECALL TO ORDER

Eric Waterbury recalled the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Present: Eric Waterbury, Ken Olson, Doris Pettersen, Diadra Cain

Absent: Nicki Herrera Llerenas, Linda Wilson, Lloyd Pierce

Administrators: Clark Redfield, Chris McIntire, Jim Walters, Joan Zappettini,  
Debbie Miller, Cindy Kershaw

Confidential Personnel: Pat Heidman

Classified Management: Heather Naylor, Maria Sanchez

Visitors: Samantha Waterbury, Wilson School  
Pam Wolf, Wilson School  
Tracy Howell, GTA

5. Pledge of Allegiance / Order of Agenda

Eric Waterbury led the Pledge of Allegiance and established order of agenda.

Eric Waterbury led a moment of silence in remembrance of Richard Simmons.

6. Announcement of Action in Closed Session

Clark Redfield reported the following items from closed session:

- The Board discussed a formal complaint which was filed that has progressed to Level 3 with personnel implications. A hearing will be conducted to resolve the complaint. No formal action was taken.

7. ASB Reports

Wilson Elementary School:

Samantha Waterbury, ASB President, addressed the Board with an informative report which included the following items:

- Development of various committees to support more student involvement
- Holiday soccer tournament during recess
- Various after school programs and student involvement
- Boys and Girls Scouts programs
- Distributed pictures of soldiers receiving their boxes of supplies collected from the students through the Character Education Program
- Distributed 3<sup>rd</sup> grade student work

Sycamore School:

Nicole Choate, ASB President, addressed the Board with an informative report which included the following items:

- Holiday dance and rally
- Spirit days
- Benchmark testing
- 6<sup>th</sup> grade boys basketball
- January 25 – red, black and white Spirit Day, supporting the girls basketball team
- School yearbook
- Improved fitness scores

Gridley High School:

Aida Vance addressed the Board with an informative report which included the following items:

- Haunted Crack House, October 30-31, 2007
- Blood drive – November 6, 2007 and March 11, 2008
- Lady Bulldog Holiday Classics
- Gridley Invitational Basketball Tournament and rally
- Sports update: soccer, wrestling, boys and girls basketball
- Academic rally, January 24, 2008
- TWIRP Dance, February 2, 2008
- Benchmark testing, January 28-February 1, 2008
- One Act Plays, February 7 and 9, 2008

8. Comments from the Board of Trustees

There were no comments from the Board of Trustees.

9. Comments from the Audience

There were no comments from the audience.

## 10. Superintendent's Report

Clark Redfield addressed the Board with an informative report which included the following items:

- Thanked Eric Waterbury for the moment of silence in remembrance of Richard Simmons
- Reported on the tank removal sampling wells; 3 wells were placed to test the ground water. The first test demonstrated no detectable contaminants. A report would be submitted to the Water Quality Board requesting that the district perform 3-4 samplings over the next year in different weather sequences.
- Monthly enrollment and ADA reports and its ramification on class size reduction
- Board members will be kept informed relative to the State budget crisis
- Complimented the sportsmanship of the GHS girls basketball team

11. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:

## A. Review State of California budget projections and the impact on GUSD

Clark Redfield and Heather Naylor addressed the Board and made comments relative to the State of California budget projections and the impact on GUSD in which the district would receive approximately \$57,000 less in unrestricted general funds for the 2007-08 school year and approximately \$840,000 less in unrestricted general funds for the 2008-09 school year. All categorical funds would be affected. Heather Naylor further explained that lay-offs would be inevitable and not filling various positions. Spending has been restricted and all purchase orders would be reviewed by the District Office. Clark Redfield explained that cuts would be determined by the Board of Trustees, Budget committee and site principals. Administrators were requested to provide input with supportive data on the effectiveness of certain programs. The second interim budget would be completed prior to March 15<sup>th</sup>.

12. ACTION ITEMS:

## A. Approve the declaration of the Board member position held by Lloyd Pierce as vacant

**Ken Olson motioned to approve the declaration of the Board member position held by Lloyd Pierce as vacant. Second: Doris Pettersen. Unanimously carried.**

## B. Approve Board Resolution 08 – 0708 honoring Lloyd Pierce

Eric Waterbury and Ken Olson accorded recognition to Lloyd Pierce serving as President of the Board and for his dedicated years of service to the District, students and staff.

**Ken Olson motioned to approve Board Resolution 08 – 0708 honoring Lloyd Pierce. Second: Diadra Cain.**

**The motion was carried with the following roll call vote:**

**Ayes: Diadra Cain, Ken Olson, Doris Pettersen, Eric Waterbury**  
**Noes: None**  
**Abstained: None**  
**Absent: Nicki Herrera Llerenas, Linda Wilson**

**The motion was carried with a vote of 4 to 0.**

- C. Approve the provisional appointment process to fill the vacant Board of Trustees' position

**Doris Pettersen motioned to approve the provisional appointment process to fill the vacant Board of Trustees' position. Second: Ken Olson. Unanimously carried.**

- D. Approve the contract with Eagle Software Company for AERIES, student data management system

**Diadra Cain motioned to approve the contract with Eagle Software Company for AERIES, student data management system. Second: Ken Olson. Unanimously carried.**

- E. Approve Part II of Consolidated Application for Funding Categorical Aid Programs for the 2007-08 school year

**Diadra Cain motioned to approve Part II of Consolidated Application for Funding Categorical Aid Programs for the 2007-08 school year. Second: Doris Pettersen. Unanimously carried.**

- F. Approve hourly funded California High School Exit Exam (CAHSEE) math intervention after school program at Gridley High School

**Doris Pettersen motioned to approve hourly funded California High School Exit Exam (CAHSEE) math intervention after school program at Gridley High School. Second: Diadra Cain. Unanimously carried.**

### 13. CONSENT AGENDA

Eric Waterbury accorded recognition to Kathy McKenzie for her involvement in the after school programs and Ron Eggers for his involvement with the GUARDIAN and construction of the building.

**Diadra Cain motioned to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Second: Doris Pettersen. Unanimously carried.**

Consent Agenda items as follows:

- A. Minutes of January 9, 2008  
Approved minutes of Regular Board Meeting of January 9, 2008
- B. District Expenditure Warrants  
Approved District Expenditure Warrants from December 4-27, 2007.
- C. Personnel
  - 1) Certificated
    - a) Accepted letter of resignation for Kathy McKenzie for the purpose of retirement, effective the end of the 2007-08 school year
    - b) Accepted letter of resignation for Ron Eggers for the purpose of retirement, effective the end of the end of the 2007-08 school year

2) Classified

- a) Ratified employment for the following paid walk-on coaches for the 2007-08 SY:
  - Steve Dowd - Golf, GHS
  - Linda McDowell - Boys Tennis, GHS
- b) Approved the following unpaid walk-on volunteer coach for the 2007-08 SY:
  - Carlos Vaca - Wrestling, GHS
- c) Accepted letter of resignation from Christine Havens, Health Aide, effective January 21, 2008

D. Fund-Raising

- 1) Approved the following fund-raising request submitted for approval:
  - a) Math-a-thon, Wilson Elementary School, February 25 - March 7, 2008

E. Donation and Gifts

- 1) The Board and District appreciated and accepted the following donations:
  - a) \$ 269.40 from General Mills Box Tops for Education to Wilson Elementary School
  - b) 49.00 from Estela Martinez to Esperanza Continuation High School
  - c) 24.50 from Marco Medina to Esperanza Continuation High School
  - d) 7,518.82 from Music Matters to GHS Music Department for Disneyland trip
  - e) 2,000.00 from Industrial Electronics to GHS tuba fund

14. Adjourned

Eric Waterbury adjourned the meeting at 7:32 p.m.

Approved: February 6, 2008

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Board Clerk

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Superintendent

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