

Item #13. A

GRIDLEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT  
429 Magnolia Street  
Gridley, CA 95948

MINUTES  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
October 3, 2007

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CALL TO ORDER

The Board of Trustees of the Gridley Unified School District met in Regular Session in the District Office, Ken Olson, Board President, called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

ROLL CALL /  
QUORUM

Present: Ken Olson, Eric Waterbury, Nicki Herrera Llerenas, Linda Wilson, Doris Pettersen, Diadra Cain

Absent: Lloyd Pierce

Administrator: Clark Redfield

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

RECESS TO CLOSED  
SESSION

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

RECALL TO ORDER

Ken Olson recalled the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m.

Present: Ken Olson, Eric Waterbury, Nicki Herrera Llerenas, Linda Wilson, Doris Pettersen, Diadra Cain

Absent: Lloyd Pierce

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

Confidential Personnel: Pat Heidman

Classified Management: Maria Sanchez, Heather Naylor

Visitors: Samantha Waterbury  
Tracy Howell, GTA  
Sandra Waller, Concerned Parents Group

## Pledge of Allegiance

## Order of Agenda

Ken Olson led the Pledge of Allegiance and established order of agenda.

## Announcement of

## Action in Closed Session

Clark Redfield reported the following items from closed session:

- Board of Trustees received information relative to employment of an individual; action will be taken later in the agenda.
- Board of Trustees conferred with the district negotiator relative to real property purchase to be considered by the district. No formal action was taken.

## Administrator's Report

Jim Walters addressed the Board with an informative report which included the following items:

- Progress reports
- CAHSEE Counselor overview of responsibilities
- Staff development program on Wednesday: articulation amongst the various subject areas
- Focus is on writing skills for 2007-08
- Math intervention
- Update on Science and P.E. curriculum

Chris McIntire addressed the Board with an informative report which included the following items:

- Staff development and goals – *all students succeed*
- Peer observations; pre-conference and post-conference with teachers to develop strategies that were most effective for students.
- Reading strategies
- Behind the glass lessons
- Grade level meetings focusing on essential standards

Joan Zappettini addressed the Board with an informative report which included the following items:

- CAHSEE testing in English and Math
- Received Ag Farm Building grant
- Technology committee update: met with technology consultant from Wheatland. Two areas of focus: more tech support and a tech teacher. Funding sources were also discussed.
- Policy committee met and revised co-curricular and extracurricular policy to be reviewed by the staff and will be presented to the Board for review.
- Early release days resulting in growth of the staff towards meeting goals

Larry McWilliams addressed the Board with an informative report which include the following items:

- Distributed and reviewed student planners

Debbie Miller addressed the Board with an informative report which included the following items:

- CAHSEE testing
- Fairview Continuation High School in Chico observation
- Classes offered and curriculum
- Deficiencies in elective class offerings

Comments from Board of Trustees

None

Comments from the Audience

Tracy Howell, GTA President, addressed the Board relative NCLB reauthorization and requested that the Board write or call their congressional representatives in opposition to this reauthorization.

Superintendent's Report

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

- Attendance report: decline in enrollment by 105 students
- Charter School targeting certain groups
- October 9<sup>th</sup> school hall meeting to address various issues relative to GUSD, i.e. success of standards based learning, different routes and requirements to high school graduation, educational opportunities beyond high school, school accreditation
- October 8<sup>th</sup> Town Hall meeting at 7:00 p.m. in the Community Center, presented by Butte County Meth Strike Force relative to the impact of methamphetamine
- Presented an annual fundraising report from GHS Parents Club
- Presented a letter from Kathy McKenzie relative to the After School Program; report will be presented at a future Board meeting.
- Site visit every Tuesday morning
- Facilities walk through to be scheduled in November; date TBA
- Facilities are in excellent condition
- Safety walk through

INFORMATIONAL ITEM(S):

11. A Quarterly review of complaints relative to the Williams Lawsuit

Clark Redfield reported that there were no complaints this quarter relative to the Williams Lawsuit.

ACTION ITEM(S):

12. A Approve Board Resolution 01-0708 recognizing October 24-31, 2007 as Red Ribbon Week for GHS and October 22-26, 2007 as Red Ribbon Week for McKinley, Wilson, Sycamore Schools and Alternative ED Complex in the Gridley Unified School District

**Eric Waterbury motion to approve Board Resolution 01-0708 as presented.**

**Second: Diadra Cain**

**Motion carried with the following roll call vote:**

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

12. B Approve adoption of Board Resolution 02-0708 adopting the “GANN” Limit Calculations

**Linda Wilson motioned to approve adoption of Board Resolution 02-0708 as presented. Second: Nicki Herrera Llerenas.**

**Motion was carried with the following roll call vote:**

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

12. C Approve Certification of the Unaudited Actuals for the 2006-07 school

**Eric Waterbury motioned to approve certification of the Unaudited Actuals for the 2007-08 school year. Second: Nicki Herrera Llerenas. Unanimously carried.**

12. D Approve Computer Concepts class as an Adult School high school elective class offering

**Linda Wilson motioned to approve Computer Concepts class as an Adult School high school elective class offering. Second: Nicki Herrera Llerenas. Unanimously carried.**

12. E Approve contract with Youth for Change in Paradise (non-public school) for educational services provided to student SE, A-0708

**Linda Wilson motioned to approve the contract with Youth for Change in Paradise for student SE, A-0708. Second: Eric Waterbury. Unanimously carried.**

12. F Approve adoption of updated Special Education Local Plan Area (SELPA) assurances, revised in January 2007

**Eric Waterbury motioned to adoption of updated Special Education Local Plan Area (SELPA) assurance, revised in January 2007. Second: Doris Pettersen. Unanimously carried.**

12. G Approve Counselor salary schedule for regular high school counselors

**Nicki Herrera Llerenas motioned to approve the Counselor salary schedule for regular high school counselors. Second: Doris Pettersen. Unanimously carried.**

- 12. H Approve lease agreement with the City of Gridley for use of a portion of the Randolph property for soccer fields

**Nicki Herrera Llerenas motioned to approve the lease agreement with the City of Gridley for use of a portion of the Randolph property for soccer fields. Second: Doris Pettersen. Unanimously carried.**

- 12. I Approve request from Sycamore Middle School for a counselor position, 1-day per week, for the remainder of the 2007-08 school year

**Linda Wilson motioned to approve request for Sycamore Middle School for a counselor position 1-day per week, for the remainder of the 2007-08 school year. Second: Nicki Herrera Llerenas. Unanimously carried.**

- 12. J Approve additional GHS stipend positions for an assistant coach for Cheerleading and a coach and assistant coach for spring Track & Field

**Linda Wilson motioned to approve additional GHS stipend for an assistant coach for Cheerleading and a coach and assistant coach for Spring Track & Field. Second: Diadra Cain. Unanimously carried.**

- 12. K Approve two (2) additional Instructional Aide positions, 2.00-hours per day / 5 days per week, at McKinley Primary School for Power Reading

**Nicki Herrera Llerenas motioned to approve two additional Instructional Aide positions, 2.00-hours per day / 5 days per week, at McKinley Primary School for Power Reading. Second: Eric Waterbury. Unanimously carried.**

Consent Agenda

**Eric Waterbury motioned to approve the consent agenda as presented. Second: Linda Wilson. Unanimously carried.**

Consent Agenda items as follows:

Minutes 9/19/07

Approved minutes of Regular Board Meeting of September 19, 2007

Personnel

Certificated

Ratified employment of the following paid extra duty stipend positions for the 2007-08 SY:

- Kim Fesler - CJSF Advisor, Sycamore Middle School
- Pam Wolf - Student Council Advisor, Wilson Elementary School

Ratified employment for Marco Medina, GED in Spanish Teacher, Alternative ED Program - Adult Program, effective for the 2007-08 School Year

Ratified employment for Marco Medina, ESL Teacher, Alternative ED Program – Adult Program, effective for the 2007-08 School Year

Ratified employment for Maria Romo, Spanish Literacy Teacher, Alternative ED Program – Adult Program, effective for the 2007-08 School Year

Ratified employment for Richard Braud, Adult School Teacher, Alternative ED Program – effective for the 2007-08 School Year

Ratified employment for Michele Teesdale, Teacher, Sycamore Middle School – effective for the 2007-08 School Year

Classified

Ratified employment for the following paid coaches for the 2007-08 school year:

- Evalynn Meinen - Freshman Girls Basketball
- Tara Hepworth - 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Girls Basketball

Approved the following unpaid walk-on volunteer coaches for the 2007-08 SY:

- Michael Hepworth - 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Girls Basketball

Ratified employment for Lori Kauffman, Instructional Aide, 7-hours per day / 5 days per week, effective September 10, 2007 for the 2007-08 School Year

Ratified employment for Sandra Tena, Custodian, 1-hour per day / 5 days per week, effective September 10, 2007

Ratified employment for Bobbi Domin, Bus Driver, 4-hours per day / 5 days per week effective October 1, 2007 for the 2007-08 School Year

Ratified employment for Tracy Smith, Custodian (night), 4-hours per day / 5 days per week, effective October 1, 2007 for the 2007-08 School Year

Ratified employment for Margaret Graham, Custodian, 1-hour per day / 5 days per week, effective October 1, 2007 for the 2007-08 School Year

Ratified employment for Beatriz Carmona, Instructional Aide, 6-hours per day / 5 days per week, effective October 1, 2007

Donation and Gifts

The Board and District appreciates and accepts the following donation(s):  
\$ 75.67 from Target to Gridley High School

Overnight Fieldtrip

Approved overnight fieldtrip request for the following:  
GHS, FFA: FFA Mode for Excellence and Advance Leadership Academy Conference, Redding, CA, January 4-5, 2008

GHS, FFA: FFA State Convention, Fresno, CA, April 19-22, 2008

Adjourn

Ken Olson adjourned the meeting at 8:05 p.m.

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_ October 17, 2007 \_\_\_\_\_ Board Clerk

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Superintendent

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