



**Gridley Unified School District
Board of Education
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
AGENDA**

Board of Education Members

*Eric Waterbury, President
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Wednesday, August 12, 2020

5:00 PM Closed Session

6:30 PM Open Session

District Office Board Room

429 Magnolia Street

Gridley, CA 95948

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

As agenda items are discussed by the Board during the Open Session of the Board Meeting, audience participation is permitted. The President will recognize those members of the audience who wish to speak.

The President will set a time limit on each person's remarks if he/she feels it necessary. Individual speakers shall be allowed three (3) minutes to address the Board on each agenda or non-agenda item. With Board consent, the president may increase or decrease the time allowed for individual comments. The Board shall limit the total time for public input on each item to twenty (20) minutes. With Board consent, the president may increase or decrease the time allowed for public presentation, depending on the topic and the number of persons wishing to be heard. The president may take a poll of speakers for or against a particular issue and may ask that additional persons speak only if they have something new to add. Generally, the President will ask Board Members for the remarks prior to recognizing requests to speak from the audience. At the President's discretion, agenda items may be considered in an order other than numerical order.

Closed Sessions may convene before, after or during the Regular Meeting. Closed Session items may include personnel, litigation, and negotiations and/or students discipline.

1. Call to order
2. Roll Call and Establishment of Quorum
3. Public comments relative to Closed Session agenda items
4. Recess to Closed Session
 - A. Personnel
 - 1) In accordance with Government Section § 54957, the Governing Board will meet in Closed Session to consider the appointment, employment, evaluation of, performance, discipline, resignation, retirement or dismissal of a public employee(s)
 - a) Superintendent's Evaluation
 - B. Labor Negotiations
 - 1) In accordance with Government Section §54957.6, the Governing Board will meet in Closed Session to consider salaries, salary schedules, or compensation paid in the form of benefits for District's represented and unrepresented employees.
 - C. Real Property
 - 1) Update on real property pursuant to Government Code §54956.8

5. Recall to Order
6. Pledge of Allegiance and Order of Agenda
7. Report from Closed Session Information
8. [Approve Board Resolution #01-2021 honoring Pat Heidman for 31 years of outstanding service and contributions to GUSD](#) (Eric Waterbury)
(BACKGROUND: Pat Heidman retired on July 20, 2020 and based upon her contributions to the district is deserving of the recognition and resolution.)
9. Reports: Administrators / Special Projects and Curriculum Coordinator / Director
Information of Maintenance, Operations and Transportation
 - A. Justin Kern
 - B. Maggie Daugherty
 - C. Mike Pilakowski
 - D. Kim Parks
 - E. Jesse Rodriguez
 - F. Kelly Haight
 - G. Kim Kemmis
10. Superintendent's Report Information
11. Comments from the Board of Trustees Information
12. Comments from the audience (Items not included on the Agenda may be introduced by members of the audience; however, no formal action will be taken at this time.) Information
13. **INFORMATION ITEM(S):** **Information**
 - A. [Review Quarterly Complaints Relative to the Williams Lawsuit](#) (Jordan Reeves)

(BACKGROUND: One of the requirements of the Williams Lawsuit is a review by the Board of the quarterly report of complaints relative to the following:
 - 1) Sufficiency of instructional materials
 - 2) Cleanliness, safety and maintenance of facilities
 - 3) Teacher vacancy or misassignment
 - B. [Review Student Handbooks for School Sites 2020-21](#)
[McKinley Primary School](#) – Kim Kemmis
[Wilson Elementary School](#) – Jesse Rodriguez
[Sycamore Middle School](#) – Kelly Haight
[Gridley High School](#) – Justin Kern
[Alternative Ed Complex](#) – Maggie Daugherty

(BACKGROUND: Each year handbooks are distributed to parents and students. The information contained supplies pertinent information to students and parents pertaining to policies, regulations and procedures.)

- C. [Notification of emergency approval of a purchase in excess of \\$15,000 without prior board approval from Granite Data Solutions for 120 laptops.](#) (Michael Pilakowski)

(BACKGROUND: To meet the needs of Gridley students and teachers with regard to the likelihood that the district will not be permitted to return to in-person instruction at the start of the school year, Superintendent Reeves approved purchase of 120 Dell laptops to improve certificated staff flexibility and upgrade their technology for loan to families totaling \$170,152.67. This item was not placed on a regular board agenda for approval due to the need to get the devices as soon as possible and due to the dwindling supply/availability of them through any vendor.)

14. **ACTION ITEM(S):** **Action**

- A. [Approval of College and Career Access Pathways Partnership Agreement](#) (Justin Kern)

(BACKGROUND: Gridley High School has been implementing ways for students to explore college level material and receive credits prior to attendance. This has resulted in 6 Pathway courses that will be taught as Dual Enrollment courses.)

- B. [Approve Purchase of a Novel for Language Arts at Gridley High School](#) (Justin Kern)

(BACKGROUND: The department has expressed interest in purchasing titles that would provide choice and would contain themes and writing relevant to students and allow for student choice. Education code requires that all textbooks be aligned with state content standards. Reference for this item is in Education Code 60450 through 60452.5. The Education Code states: *Materials for grade 9-12 must be aligned with state content standards and be adopted by the school district governing board.*)

- C. [Approve Revised 2020-21 Instructional Calendar](#) (Jordan Reeves)

(BACKGROUND: The Board previously approved the instructional calendar for the 2020/2021 school year at the May 27, 2020 Board meeting. Due to changes with the Butte County Fair this year, GUSD and GTA have agreed to move the in-service dates. The revised instructional calendar has the new in-service dates reflected.)

- D. [Approve 45 Day Budget Revisions](#) (Heather Naylor)

(BACKGROUND: The 2020-21 Original Budget was adopted on June 24, 2020. At the time the state was anticipating a 10% loss if revenue from the state. The State of California has reinstated full funding of the Local Control Funding Formula (LCFF) at the same levels as the 2019-20 fiscal year. Additional state revenue deferrals are planned as well. With so much changing Butte County Office of Education has recommended that each school district bring forward a revision to the original budget.)

E. **[Approve School Bus Routes 2020-21 School Year](#)** (Kim Parks)

(BACKGROUND: The transportation department has developed bus routes for all areas and schools. Special Ed and Kindergarten stops/routes are subject to student enrollment.)

F. **[Approve Payment of \\$20,000 for Services Rendered in the 2019-20 school year by Maria Nielsen in Professional Learning Communities Coaching.](#)**

(Michael Pilakowski)

(BACKGROUND: Maria Nielsen has been contracted with over the past two school years to provide coaching and leadership within the district in the revitalization of Professional Learning Communities. This payment concludes our services with Ms. Nielsen.)

G. **[Approve Adoption of Edgenuity Online Curriculum and Learning Management System \(LMS\) Platform for 2020-21 school year.](#)**

(Michael Pilakowski)

(BACKGROUND: Approval and adoption of this platform and its embedded curriculum will increase teacher ability to provide distance learning to GUSD students while schools are forcibly closed . This will also permit continuance of a distance learning/independent study option for families who wish to remain in this mode or must return to this mode due to quarantine or health concerns, as required by the state of California.)

H. **[Approve payment of \\$32,510.18 for Aeries Student Information System.](#)**

(Michael Pilakowski)

(BACKGROUND: Aeries is used to house all core student information in the district across all sites, plus add-ons of offsite hosting, analytics capability, and online registration access for families.)

I. **[Approve Vendor Acer for Purchases in the 2020-21 School Year Not to Exceed \\$20,000.](#)** (Michael Pilakowski)

(BACKGROUND: Acer is the manufacturer of all district Chromebooks. This approval will support purchase of parts to have in stock to minimize downtime with the large deployment of take-home units in the district this year.)

J. **[Approve Vendor Granite Data Solutions for Purchases in the 2020-21 School Year Not to Exceed \\$300,000 Total.](#)** (Michael Pilakowski)

(BACKGROUND: Granite Data Solutions is a California vendor located in Rocklin, CA that provides CMAS contract pricing for Dell computers and other IT products to the district. This approval will support faster acquisition planned and emergency/replacement purchases this school year.)

- K. [Approve vendor IT Savvy for purchases in the 20-21 school year not to exceed \\$300,000 total.](#) (Michael Pilakowski)

(BACKGROUND: IT Savvy is an Illinois vendor located in Chicago that provides CMAS contract pricing for Chromebooks, computers, miscellaneous IT supplies, and software. This approval will support faster acquisition planned and emergency/replacement purchases this school year.)

- L. [Approve vendor CDW-G for purchases in the 20-21 school year not to exceed \\$50,000 total.](#) (Michael Pilakowski)

(BACKGROUND: CDW is an Illinois vendor located in Chicago that provides CMAS contract pricing for Chromebooks, computers, miscellaneous IT supplies, and software. This approval will support faster acquisition of planned and emergency/replacement purchases this school year.)

- M. [Approve IXL Software Subscription for 2020-21 School Year.](#) (Michael Pilakowski)

(BACKGROUND: The IXL online practice platform is requested continue ongoing support to students in grades 1-12 in various core subjects.)

- N. [Approval of Spring Release of the Consolidated Application \(CON-APP\) for 2019-20.](#) (Michael Pilakowski)

(BACKGROUND: Normally brought forward in the spring of each year, the release of the CON-APP was officially pushed back to July, with required board approval by mid August of the fall instead. This was due to COVID closures and associated issues around reporting and data gathering at the state level.)

15.

[CONSENT AGENDA](#)

Action

The following items are to be considered as part of the Consent Agenda. A member of the Board of Trustees may request any items be pulled from the Consent Agenda for individual action. All remaining items may be approved by a single action of the Board. District administration recommends approval of the following Consent Agenda items.

- A. Minutes of [Special Board Meeting of July 29, 2020](#)

- B. District Expenditure [Warrants](#)

- 1) Warrants must regularly be presented to the Board of Trustees for approval.
The supplement reflects expenditures from July 2020.

- C. Personnel

- 1) Classified

- a) Approve the following Summer Nutrition Program positions for

August 3 – August 28, 2020:

Jessica Lopez	-	Head Cook, 6 hours/day, 5 days/week
Nellie Maxwell	-	Assistant Cook, 5.5 hours/day, 5 days/week
Maria Ortiz	-	Custodian/Cafeteria Assistant, 5.5 hours/day, 5 days/week

- Jennifer Gonzalez - Cafeteria Helper, 5.5 hours/day, 5 days/week
- Paige Maxwell - Cafeteria Helper, 4 hours/day, 5 days/week
- Audelia Cuevas - Cafeteria Helper, 4 hours/day, 5 days/week
- Debra Shackelford - Cafeteria Helper, 2.5 hours/day, 5 days/week
- Maria Heredia - Cafeteria Helper, 2.5 hours/day, 5 days/week

2) Certificated

- a) Approve the following paid extra duty stipend positions for the 2020-21 school year:

BTSA Mentor: Gridley High School
David Tull

Leadership Team Member: Gridley High School
Amber McIntire
Matt Reed
Steve Allard
Molly German

Leadership Team Member: McKinley Primary School
Karen Rudd – Kindergartener 50%
Andria Paul-Busch – Kindergartener 50%
Sandra Allen – First Grade

- b) Letter of resignation for purpose of retirement for Margaret Hepworth, History Teacher, 1.0 FTE, at Sycamore Middle School effective August 6, 2020

16. Adjourn

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Aviso: Interprete disponible para los de la comunidad hispana que desean atender juntas de la mesa directiva. Para mas información por favor de llamar 846-4721 extensión 31. Agenda en español disponible 24 horas antes de la junta.

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