



GOMPERS PREPARATORY ACADEMY

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GOMPERS BOARD OF DIRECTORS JOINT GCMS/GPA MEETING

January 19, 2010 5:00 P.M. Gompers Charter School Library, Cecil H. Steppe,
Presiding

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Dede Alpert, Anne Richardson, Vincent Riveroll, Michelle Evans, Cecil H. Steppe, Bud Mehan, Kimiko Fukuda, Tyler Cramer, Pete Chodzko, Rafael Hernandez, Najib Mesdaq and Mari Cruz Avalos.

EXCUSED:

David Valladolid and Winifred Hudgies

GUEST VISITORS AND STAFF PRESENT:

Kathryn Strom, Jenny Parsons, Lisa Maples, John Bartholomew, Jane Firpo, Barb Robinson, Karly Kerns, Ashley Wirth, Larry Tamayo, ExED.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 5:05 p.m. by Cecil H. Steppe, the Board Chair. There was no request for public comment. Mr. Steppe welcomed board members and staff.

Mr. Steppe informed the board that a vote was needed to accept the resignation of Cecil Lytle, who resigned via email letter in the previous weeks.

Motion moved to accept Mr. Lytle's resignation m/s/c Alpert/Mehan

Senator Alpert introduced Anne Robinson and requested that the board vote to approve Ms. Robinson as a new board member.

Motion to accept the appointment of board member m/s/c Alpert/Mehan

Board members reviewed the minutes from the November board meeting.

Motion to approve November Minutes m/s/c/ Alpert/Evans no abstentions

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

The Director informed the board that with high school sports, there is an issue with transportation to and from games.

Mr. Bartholomew explained the options to the board. There are four different options, varying in cost and liability risk, which include hiring charter buses; utilizing parent drivers only; utilizing staff drivers; or purchasing a school bus.

Director Riveroll informed the board that he has been utilizing options 1-3 as the situation warrants. He asked the board to allow him to continue to use these options as needed.

Motion moved for the board to delegate authority to Director Riveroll to make the executive decision as concerns transportation for athletic and afterschool events for the rest of the 2009-2010 school year m/s/c Mehan/Fukuda

Jenny Parsons updated the board on the most recent drawings from the San Diego Unified School District for the shared facilities master plan, created by parents and staff from both campuses. She stated that Millennial Tech Middle School accepted our suggestion to move the bus turnaround; we have a multi-use field that would not be a joint use field with the community. There are two phases; one to be completed by fall 2011 and the second by fall 2012.

In addition to a field, the drawing includes a gymnasium, two story building, and bleachers. There will need to be additional funding for these items; we can partner with the district and

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after state facilities grants. However, the fact that the district recognizes our plans demonstrates they are in line with our long-term vision.

Ms. Parsons also shared the budget for Prop. S shared funds between MTM and GPA.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

No report submitted

DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE REPORT

Kathryn Strom updated the board on the development committee's activity. \$266,000 has been raised so far this year.

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

Pete Chodzko reviewed the financials from October and November. He highlighted items, including the fact that there are a few negative variances due to the fact that there were budget cuts

after the board approved budget. He also added that we are under ADA due to variance in attendance; this could result in a loss of funding.

Mr. Chodzko stated that GPA does not have the negative variances that GCMS does; however, there is a negative variance due to stimulus funds being received at the end of the year in 2008-9 and is not reflected in our current budget. ADA is also lower for GPA and this could result in a loss in funding.

Mr. Steppe commented that while the bank sheets reflect a negative variance, we are positive and are in good shape as far as cash on hand.

Motion to accept October and November financials for GCMS/GPA m/s/c Chodzko/Evans

Mr. Chodzko deferred to Larry Tamayo to discuss the '09-'10 Consolidated Application for Funding Categorical Aid Programs, Part II. Mr. Tamayo updated the board on the completed application.

Motion to approve the Consolidated Application Part II m/s/c Chodzko/Alpert

Director Riveroll asked the Finance Committee to allocate the funds for an Athletic Coordinator as well as adjust the Human Resources Coordinator salary to accommodate the increased level of responsibilities. Finance Committee recommends these requests be granted.

Mr. Steppe asked the board members to convene on Saturday, January 23, to look at a revamped budget and discuss general fundraising, the Friends of Gompers Foundation, and gala planning.

EDUCATION COMMITTEE REPORT

No report submitted.

BOARD AFFAIRS COMMITTEE REPORT

Senator Alpert updated the board on recruitment of new board members, stating that she

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with a potential professor from UCSD and is also working on recruiting a community member from the larger San Diego community.

The meeting adjourned at 6:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by K. Strom