

**EL PASO GRIDLEY CUSD #11**  
**REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES**



**August 24, 2015**      **El Paso Gridley Junior High School Library**

President David Mool called the Regular Board Meeting to order at 6:01 p.m. with the following Board members present: Randy Barth, Ed Faulk, John Hartness, David Mool, Brian Stoller, and Josh Uphoff. Jeremy Faulk entered at 6:18 p.m. Administrators present: Superintendent Michael Lindy, J.P. /G.G.S. Principal Kelly Throneburg, Centennial Principal Tim Fairchild, E.P.G.J.H.S. Principal Robby Tomlinson, E.P.G.H.S. Principal Brian Quam, Curriculum Director Dr. Nicole Rummel, and Bookkeeper Susan Stella. Building Facilities Manager J.T. Carr was absent. Also in attendance: Jane Deckert (*School Nurse*).

A motion was made by David Mool and seconded by Ed Faulk to approve the agenda as presented. All yeas. The motion carried six to zero.

Visitors included Sara VanScyoc, Cara Howard (*El Paso Journal*), Lisa Harrison, Kristen Wheatley, Brynn Neisler, and Kelly Harms.

A thank-you card was read.

A motion was made by Randy Barth and seconded by Brian Stoller to approve the consent agenda as presented:

- Approve Minutes from Regular Board Meeting held on July 27, 2015
- Approve Minutes from the Regular Closed Session Meeting held on July 27, 2015
- Approve Financial Reports
- Approve Bills
- Accept Sarah Schuler's Resignation Effective August 3, 2015
- Accept Brenna Baxter's Resignation Effective Immediately
- Approve Hiring Christina Grusy as a Special Education Aid at El Paso Gridley Junior High School for 2015-2016
- Approve Hiring Jonna Strauch as a Special Education Aid at Centennial School for 2015-2016
- Approve Hiring Rachel Stroh as a Special Education Assistant at Jefferson Park School for 2015-2016

All yeas. The motion carried six to zero.

Brian Quam reported that the start of school is off to a great start at the high school.

El Paso Gridley Junior High School Principal Robby Tomlinson discussed how 6<sup>th</sup> grade orientation went and that 87 of the 92 students touched based prior to the start of school. Good start!

Tim Fairchild reported a decent participation for the 4<sup>th</sup> grade orientation held earlier today.

Orientation for Jefferson Park School/Gridley Grade School will be tomorrow night. We have seventeen new students enrolled and nine that have left. Enrollment numbers are as expected. We are off to a smooth start.

Curriculum Director Nicole Rumml reported that the Science exam will be administered this year, although we are not sure on the timing of it or PARCC. It is also unclear if ACT or ISAT will be required.

Superintendent Michael Lindy updated the Board on facilities work. Dealing with Ameresco has been a good experience per Mr. Lindy and J.T. Carr. Costs have been held down. The door at the high school will be replaced.

Mr. Lindy reviewed the tentative budget for 2015-2016 with the Board. Depending on the last categoricals, we could see a balanced budget for FY16.

The majority of the Citizens Advisory Council members for 2015-2016 will be community members and not school staff. We are adding twelve new members.

The High School Show Choir is requesting Board approval for out-of-state trips for 2015-2016. This program seems to make these trips very well organized and supervised.

The Board reviewed the current and new ideas for changes to the lice/pediculosis policy. We will notify parents about changes and policy updates.

Dates for a Board Retreat in late January or early February were discussed, as well as, possible dates for State of the District.

The Board would like a different financial report format. Susan Stella will look into some previous items that she used to run.

A motion was made by John Hartness and seconded by Ed Faulk to approve the tentative budget for 2015-2016 for display. All yeas. The motion carried seven to zero.

A motion was made by John Hartness and seconded by Randy Barth to approve the Citizens Advisory Council Members for 2015-2016. All yeas. The motion carried seven to zero.

A motion was made by Ed Faulk and seconded by David Mool to allow overnight trips by the show choir. All yeas. The motion carried seven to zero.

A motion was made by Josh Uphoff and seconded by Brian Stoller to adjourn to Closed Session at 7:18 p.m. to discuss collective negotiating matters between the public body and its employees or their representatives or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees, the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body or legal counsel for the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee of the public body or against legal counsel for the public body to determine its validity. All yeas. The motion carried seven to zero.

A motion was made by John Hartness and seconded by Brian Stoller to adjourn from Closed Session at 7:57 p.m. All yeas. The motion carried seven to zero.

A motion was made by Randy Barth and seconded by Josh Uphoff to adjourn the meeting at 7:58 p.m. All yeas. The motion carried seven to zero.

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President, Board of Education

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Secretary, Board of Education