

Garden Grove Unified School District

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## **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

Public hearings were conducted on the Special Education Annual Service Plan and Annual Budget Plan, and the 2013-14 proposed Annual Budget.

## **PRESENTATIONS**

On the occasion of her final meeting as superintendent, representatives from the GGEA, Garden Grove Journal, Garden Grove Police Department, the Boys & Girls Clubs of Garden Grove, current students, and graduates, expressed gratitude to Dr. Laura Schwalm for her years of dedicated service to the GGUSD and her many contributions to education.

The GGPPSA president announced ratification of the tentative agreement with the district.

Frank Valenzuela of Rancho Alamitos High School was introduced as the 2013-14 Student Representative to the Board of Education.

Eric Juarez of Bolsa Grande High School accepted a plaque in recognition of his outstanding service as Student Representative to the Board of Education in 2012-13.

A staff presentation was made on the redesigned district web pages.

The Board of Education honored Alan Trudell, district public information officer, on his retirement effective June 30 after 32 years of service to the district.

## **BOARD OF EDUCATION COMMENTS**

Board of Education members each paid tribute and thanked Supt. Laura Schwalm for her service to the GGUSD as a teacher, administrator, and superintendent. Dr. Schwalm retires June 30 after 41 years in the district, including the past 14 as superintendent.

## **ADMINISTRATION**

The following items received Board approval:

- Routine operational items – Resolution Nos. 1 and 2.
- The Special Education Annual Service Plan and Special Education Budget Plan.
- The Annual Budget for 2013-14.
- The agreement between the County of Orange Health Care Agency and the district to provide continuation of educationally related mental health services to special education students.
- The agreement between Orange County Headstart Inc. and the Garden Grove Special Education Local Plan Area to provide services to preschool children eligible for special

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education under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Improvement Act.

- Inter-district attendance agreements for regular education students.
- Inter-district attendance agreements for physically/severely handicapped students.
- The use of a non-public school and/or agency for the education of handicapped students for whom the district does not have appropriate programs for the 2012-13 school year.
- The use of listed non-public schools and/or agencies for the education of handicapped students for whom the district does not have appropriate programs for the 2013-14 school year.
- Mileage reimbursement for parents/guardians or designated individuals who transport their handicapped children to school or services.
- The appointment of representatives from the Garden Grove League authorized for CIF voting privileges.
- The recommendation of the District Discipline Committee for the expulsion of one student.

### **PROGRAMS AND INSTRUCTION**

District elementary schools were approved to participate in the Art Masters, Inc. instructional art program.

District elementary schools were approved to host performances by the Orange County Opera.

### **BUSINESS**

The proposed annual budget report for 2013-14 was adopted.

In other business-related actions, the Board adopted Resolution No. 3 that authorizes explicit use of funds for Categorical Flexibility programs; adopted Resolution No. 4 governing the Education Protection Account; adopted Resolution No. 5 governing interfund transfers; approved the annual insurance report and the recommendation for property, casualty, and excess insurance for 2013-14; authorized the use of an independent financial advisor for the remaining Measure A bond issuance at a fixed fee; authorized two contracts to use the California Multiple Awards Schedule for the purchase of information technology products and services; extended the bid for the purchase of food service supplies; and approved food services prices for 2013-14.

### **PERSONNEL**

The Board ratified the tentative agreement with the GGPPSA.

The Board of Education approved a one-time 2-percent salary restoration on the 2012-13 base pay for Board members effective July 1, 2013.

### **FUTURE MEETINGS**

Due to summer schedules, the regular Board meetings of July 2 and August 6 are cancelled.

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*The next regular Board of Education meeting will be held Tuesday, July 16, 2013, in the Boardroom of the Education Center, 10331 Stanford Avenue, at 7 p.m. The public is invited to attend.*

*Preceding the regular meeting, the Board will hold a public study session at 5 p.m. to continue discussion on the development of a new vision statement and goals for the school district.*