



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

Board of Education Members

Eric Waterbury, President  
Art Cota, Clerk  
Sonia Zarate  
Cheryl Argetsinger  
Drew Becker  
Joe Dewsnup  
Ben Taylor

Wednesday, February 21, 2024

6:00 PM Closed Session

6:30 PM Open Session

District Office Board Room

429 Magnolia Street

Gridley, CA 95948

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**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 Meeting. Closed Session items may include personnel, litigation, and negotiations and/or student's 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)

- 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. Reports: ASB/FFA Information

- A. Wilson Elementary School
- B. Sycamore Middle School
- C. Esperanza High School
- D. Gridley High School
- E. Gridley High School FFA

9. Superintendent’s Report Information

10. Comments from the Board of Trustees Information

11. 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

12. INFORMATION ITEM(S): Information

- A. [LCAP Midyear Update](#) (Michael Pilakowski)

(BACKGROUND: Changes to annual LCAP requirements now require an annual midyear update be presented to the board before the end of February featuring progress updates on goals/actions and available midyear metrics.)

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

- A. [\*\*Conduct Second Reading and Approve of Board Policies, Administrative Regulations and Exhibits updated December 2023\*\*](#) (Justin Kern)

(BACKGROUND: California School Boards Association provides districts with a recommended board policy manual and publishes legal updates for board policies. The attached Board Policies, Administrative Regulations and Exhibits needs to be approved to bring the district’s policy manual up to date.)

B. [Approve School Safety Plans for GUSD School Sites](#) (Michael Pilakowski)

McKinley Primary School (Rhiannon Treat)  
Wilson Elementary School (Joan Schumann)  
Sycamore Middle School (Chris Schmidt)  
Gridley High School (Rikki Lee Buresch)  
Esperanza High School (Maggie Daugherty)

C. [Approve Board Resolution 06-2324 – Certificated Seniority List](#) (Julie Vang)

(BACKGROUND: The district superintendent may be recommending particular kinds of services reductions due to declining enrollment. This reduction of positions may result in staff layoffs. California Education Code Section 44955(b) provides that in the event of certificated layoffs, employees must be terminated in reverse order of seniority.)

D. [Approve Board Resolution 07-2324 – Tie Breaking Criteria](#) (Julie Vang)

(BACKGROUND: The Board is required to adopt tie-breaking criteria for individuals with the same seniority date.)

E. [Approve Board Resolution 08-2324 – Classified Seniority List](#) (Julie Vang)

(BACKGROUND: The Gridley Unified School District’s Superintendent may be recommending the reduction of particular kinds of services to meet the needs of the district. This reduction of hours and/or positions may result in classified staff layoffs. California Education Code Section 45308 provides that in the event of a classified employee layoff, employees must be terminated in reverse order of seniority.)

F. [Approve Employee Work Calendars for the 2024-25 School Year](#) (Julie Vang)

(BACKGROUND: The employee work calendars for all employees for the 2024-25 school year has been developed and reviewed based on the instructional calendar approved. The employee work calendars include Classified employees working 9 months, 10 months, 10 month alternate, 11 months, 12 months, and Certificated employees working 183 days, 193 days, 195 days, 205 days, 210 days, 215 days, 219 days and 225 days.)

G. [Approve Superintendent to pursue acquisition of two parcels \(APN 010-200-004 & APN 101-180-018\) of property located near Wilson Elementary School](#) (Justin Kern)

(BACKGROUND: The district would like to pursue acquisition of the named properties to facilitate parking as well as expand potential district storage capabilities.)

14.

**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, contingent necessary clearances prior to start.

A. [Minutes of Regular Board Meeting of February 7, 2024](#)

B. Direct Expenditure Warrants

- a) Warrants must regularly be presented to the Board of Trustees for approval. The supplement reflects expenditures from January 2024.

C. Personnel

1) Certificated

- a) Ratify employment for the following extra duty /coaching positions for the 2023-24 school year:

Zach Stark – Varsity Unpaid Baseball Volunteer, GHS

- b) Letter of resignation for purposes of retirement for James Spring, Math Teacher, 1.0 FTE at Sycamore Middle School effective June 7, 2024  
c) Letter of resignation for Mckenzie Aldrich, Primary Grade Teacher, 1.0 FTE at McKinley Primary School effective June 7, 2024  
d) Letter of resignation for Elizabeth Terpening, Elementary Teacher, 1.0 FTE at Wilson Elementary School effective June 7, 2024  
e) Letter of resignation for Barbara Vogt, Elementary Teacher, 1.0 FTE at Wilson Elementary School effective June 7, 2024

2) Classified

- a) Ratify employment for Diana Cruz, Noon Duty Supervisor (#314), 1.25 hours per day, 5 days per week, at Wilson Elementary School effective February 20, 2024  
b) Ratify employment for Mark St. Louis, Instructional Aide, Specialized Classroom (#448), 5.5 hours per day, 4 days per week and 4.75 hours per day, 1 day per week (5.35 average hours daily), at Wilson Elementary School effective February 20, 2024  
c) Ratify employment for Amreena Khan, Instructional Aide (#442), 5.75 hours per day, 4 days per week and 4.75 hours per day, 1 day per week (5.55 hours daily average), at Wilson Elementary School effective February 20, 2024  
d) Ratify employment for Amreena Khan, Short-term Instructional Aide (#476), 0.5 hours per day, 4 days per week, at Wilson Elementary School effective February 20, 2024  
e) Ratify employment for Emily Altheide, Short-term Instructional Aide (#484, 1-on-1 support), 3 hours per day, 5 days per week, at McKinley Primary School effective February 22, 2024, through June 7, 2024  
f) Ratify employment for Sonia Brandon, Night Custodian (#441), 3 hours per day, 5 days per week, at Wilson Elementary School effective February 22, 2024  
g) Ratify employment for the following walk-on coaching positions for the 2023-24 school year:

Amber Mendenhall – JV Softball Head Coach, GHS

Josh Sannar – JV Baseball Head Coach, GHS

Chris Vieira – Golf Assistant Volunteer, GHS

Johnny Ceballos – Varsity Softball Assistant Coach, GHS (revised to paid)

Tera Tuttle – JV Unpaid Softball Assistant, GHS

Jason Kopp – Varsity Unpaid Baseball Volunteer, GHS

Daniel Crabtree – Varsity Unpaid Baseball Volunteer, GHS

Arthur Garcia – Varsity Baseball Assistant, GHS (50% stipend)

Brian Fesler – Varsity Baseball Assistant, GHS (50% stipend)

- h) Approve employment status change for Noemi Ruiz from Noon Duty Supervisor (#464), 1 hour per day, 5 days per week at Wilson Elementary School to Noon Duty Supervisor (#281), 1.25 hours per day, 5 days per week at Wilson Elementary School effective February 7, 2024  
i) Approve recommendation to add hours to Rachel Atkins, Instructional Aide – Specialized Classroom (#324), from 5.75 hours per day, 4 days per week and 5.5 hours per day, 1 day per week (5.7 hours daily average) to 6.25 hours per day, 4 days per week, and 5.5 hours per day, 1 day per week (6.1 hours daily average)

- j) Approve employment status change for Krystal Mooney, Instructional Aide (#249), 6 hours per day, 5 days per week at Gridley High School to placement on 39-month rehire list effective January 25, 2024
- D. Donations and Gifts
  - 1) To comply with Board Policy 3290, the Board and District appreciates and accepts the following donations:
    - a) Bobbi Zunino – Flute (\$100)
    - b) Bobbi Zunino – Piccolo (\$150)
- E. Contracts
  - 1) To comply with Ed Code 17604, no contract made pursuant to the delegation and authorization shall be valid or constitute an enforceable obligation against the district unless and until the same shall have been approved or ratified by the governing board, the approval or ratification to be evidenced by a motion of the board duly passed and adopted.
    - a) MOU – GUSD/GTA Classroom Set-up, McKinley
- F. Fundraisers
  - 1) To comply with Board policy 1321, Board approval is required for all fundraising activities. The following fundraising requests has been submitted for approval:
    - a) GHS Baseball Banner Sales – 2/25/24-3/10/24
    - b) Sycamore Color Run – 3/20/2024
- G. Over Night/Out of State Conference/Field Trip Request
  - 1) To comply with Board Policy 6153, Board approval is required for all overnight fieldtrips. The following overnight fieldtrips is submitted for approval:
    - a) GHS Oregon Shakespeare Festival – 4/11/24 – 4/12/24
    - b) GHS Forensics Ft. to Sac Crime Lab – 3/6/24

15. Adjourn

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02/16/2024 jm