



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

Board of Education Members

*Eric Waterbury, President
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Wednesday, September 4, 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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Los participantes en línea ingresarán en el "Modo de solo visualización" simplemente para evitar que se active el silencio accidentalmente. Indique en las preguntas y respuestas o mediante la herramienta Levantar la mano que desea hablar sobre un tema y el anfitrión de la reunión lo incorporará como colaborador a la reunión. Esto le permitirá activar su silencio y hablar sobre un tema o en comentarios públicos.

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
- A. 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; Certificated Administrators Information

- A. Joan Schumann
- B. Chris Schmidt
- C. Rikki-Lee Burreesch
- D. Maggie Daugherty
- E. Michael Pilakowski
- F. Rhiannon Treat
- G. Shelly Diaz
- H. Ed White

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

A. **[Conduct Third Reading and Approve of Board policies, Administrative Regulations and Exhibits updated June 2024](#)** (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 Expenditures Pursuant to Board Resolution #01-2425, Recognition and Appreciation to the Staff to Gridley Unified School District](#)** (Justin Kern)

(BACKGROUND: The California Constitution prohibits public agencies from making gifts of public funds (Const., Art. XVI, § 6). To justify an expenditure, a district’s governing board must determine that the expense will tangibly benefit the education of its students. If the governing board has reasonably determined that a particular type of expenditure serves a legitimate public purpose, courts will generally defer to the board’s decision.)

C. **[Approve Student Handbooks for School Site 2024-25](#)** (Michael Pilakowski)

(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.)

D. [Approve One Year Pilot of One Less Thing Middle School CTE Ag Curriculum](#)

(Michael Pilakowski)

(BACKGROUND: With beginning a new ag explorer class at Sycamore, an appropriate curriculum is necessary. Ag staff recommends the One Less Thing curriculum as the core of this class, as it has been successfully used in other California middle school Ag Explorer-type courses.)

E. [Approve One Year Pilot of Character Strong for use as GUSD Elementary SEL curriculum](#)

(Michael Pilakowski)

(BACKGROUND: GUSD has not had an official adoption of any single socioemotional learning (SEL) curricular program consistently to be used in any gradespan. Staff recommends piloting the Character Strong program across the elementary grades, following its supplemental use at McKinley for several years, to include appropriate implementation training and coaching. In the spring, this will be evaluated for longer term adoption.)

F. [Approve Adoption of Agribusiness Management for Use as Course Text in Ag Business Courses at GHS](#) (Michael Pilakowski)

(BACKGROUND: GUSD is now offering courses in Ag Business in concert with Butte College. In order to offer this course with Butte, GUSD must use the same text. This is the approved text for the course as taught at Butte College.)

G. [Approve Adoption of Textbook Career Directions: New Paths to Your Ideal Career for Use as Course Text in Ag Business Courses at GHS](#) (Michael Pilakowski)

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13.

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 August 21, 2024](#)

B. [Personnel](#)

1) Certificated

1) Ratify employment for the following coaching / extra duty stipend positions for the 2024-25 school year:

- a. Hannah Baron, Induction Mentor, McKinley
- b. Michael Erickson – Induction BTSA Mentor, SYC

2) Classified

a) Letter of resignation for Hayley McMartin, Noon Duty Supervisor (#211), 2 hours per day, 5 days per week at Wilson Elementary School effective August 23, 2024

- b) Letter of resignation for Erica Patterson, Noon Duty Supervisor (#209), 1 hour per day, 5 days per week at Wilson Elementary School effective September 4, 2024
 - c) Letter of resignation for Sonia Brandon, Instructional Aide, Specialized Classroom (#330), 4.25 hours per day, 4 days per week and 3 hours per day, 1 day per week (4 hours daily average) at Wilson Elementary School effective August 28, 2024
 - d) Letter of resignation for Alexandra Ramirez, Noon Duty Supervisor (#191), 1 hour per day, 5 days per week at McKinley Primary School effective September 3, 2024
 - e) Ratify employment for Sonia Brandon, Instructional Aide, Specialized Classroom (#325), 6 hours per day, 4 days per week and 5 hours per day, 1 day per week (5.8 hours daily average) at Wilson Elementary School effective August 28, 2024
 - f) Ratify employment for Lisa Schohr, Noon Duty Supervisor (#405), 1 hour per day, 5 days per week at Sycamore Middle School effective August 30, 2024
 - g) Ratify employment for Luisa Villalpando, Office Clerk (#59), 2.5 hours per day, 5 days per week at Wilson Elementary School effective September 9, 2024
 - h) Ratify employment for Luisa Villalpando, Office Clerk (#411), 3 hours per day, 5 days per week at Wilson Elementary School effective September 9, 2024
 - i) Ratify employment for Alexandra Ramirez, Instructional Aide, Specialized Classroom (#268), 5.5 hours per day, 5 days per week at McKinley Primary School effective September 3, 2024
 - j) Ratify employment for the following coach / extra duty stipend positions for the 2024-25 school year:
 - a. Claudio Gonzalez – JV Baseball Volunteer Coach, GHS
 - b. Nancy Palafox – Varsity Volleyball Assistant Coach, GHS
 - k) Approve recommendation to add hours for Nancy Jiminez, Instructional Aide (#232), from 5.5 hours per day, 4 days per week and 4.75 hours per day, 1 day per week (5.35 average daily hours) to 6 hours per day, 4 days per week and 4.75 hours per day, 1 day per week (5.75 average daily hours) at Sycamore Middle School effective September 5, 2024
 - l) Approve recommendation for a Library Clerk (#500), 1 hour per day, 5 days per week at Wilson Elementary School effective September 9, 2024
- C. Donations and Gifts
- 1) To comply with Board Policy 3290, the Board and District appreciates and accepts the following donations:
 - a) Gridley Education Foundation for GHS Volleyball - \$250.00
 - b) Gridley High Parents Club for GHS Volleyball - \$4,963.00
 - c) Golden State Tree for GHS Volleyball - \$60.00
 - d) Waterbury Farms for GHS Volleyball - \$250.00
 - e) M. Amaya, Professional Law Corporation for GHS Volleyball - \$40.00
 - f) Quota for Esperanza – 20 Backpacks and various school supplies
- D. 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 – Butte County Office of Education](#)
 - b) [Charter America Contract](#)
 - c) [TTC4SUCCESS](#)
 - d) [GUSD/GTA MOU – Combo Class](#)
 - e) [GUSD/GTA MOU – Lunch Period at Sycamore](#)
 - f) [GUSD/GTA MOU – Woodleaf Program](#)
 - g) [GUSD/GTA MOU – Intern Mentor Stipend](#)
 - h) [GUSD/GTA MOU – Orton Gillingham Training](#)
 - i) [Paxton Patterson Supplemental Curriculum Materials](#)

E. 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 – River Cats Tickets Sales – 3/20/24](#)
- b) [GHS Cross Country – Lap-a-Thon – 9/14/2024](#)
- c) [GHS Golf – Snack Bar Sales – 9/7/24 – 10/26/24](#)

14. 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 8104. Agenda en español disponible 24 horas antes de la junta.

08/30/2024 jm