

**GOLDEN VALLEY CHARTER SCHOOL OF SACRAMENTO
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Regular Meeting**

**Tuesday, February 23, 2016
4:30 p.m.**

**9601 Lake Natomas Drive
Orangevale, CA 95662
River School, Room 5**

MINUTES
OPEN SESSION

1. **Call to Order:** Meeting was called to order at 4:31pm.
2. **Roll Call: Board Members Present:** Joanne Ahola (arrived at 4:44); John Hanafee, Chair; Allyson Jakubicka; Becky Page; Zachary Phillips; Sarah Sullivan; Ryan Sutton; Eric Walder. **Board Members Absent:** Jodi Begley. **Guests:** G'anna Burke, Nicole Grant, Bob Holt, Deborah Lenny, Amala Easton.
3. **Flag Salute/Quote/Moment of Silence:** Debi Lenny read a quote from Gloria Steinem, "The first problem for all of us, men and women, is not to learn but unlearn."
4. **Public Comment:** There were no public comments.
5. **Minutes:** February 2, 2016 Regular minutes were approved. (Ayes: 7, Noes: 0, Abstained: 0)
6. **Board of Trustees Appointments:** G'Anna Burke (Orchard parent) was appointed to the Board. (Ayes: 7, Noes: 0, Abstained: 0) *(This was originally agenda item fifteen. As such, the sequencing now differs from the original agenda.)*
7. **Paid Time Off (PTO)/Sick Leave:** The Board discussed a proposal to change PTO. See attached Paid Time Off (PTO) Proposal. *(This was originally agenda item ten. As such, the sequencing now differs from the original agenda.)*
8. **Executive Director Report:** Executive Director, Debi Lenny, presented items of interest to the Board. Open Enrollment is closing. We have now transitioned to online enrollment through SchoolMint. The enrollment lottery will be done online. The Math Professional Development (2/20-2/21), held at Orchard School, was a big success. Thanks to John Baker, Lee Pope and Nicole Grant for setting this event up and all of the teachers and specialists who attended it. The math PD was paid for by the Public School Grant at Orchard and the Auburn Indian Tribe School. PD debrief will be on Feb 25 at Orchard. The February Conference at Rudolf Steiner was well attended. John Baker, Laura Nordaas, and AJ LaCoste attended classes at RSC during Winter Break. Thank you to the River Parent Circle for the delicious luncheon held on January 28 at the River School.

9. **Chief Operating Officer Report** : Chief Operating Officer, Andy Silvert, presented items of interest to the Board. The audit is complete. Copies were distributed to the Board members.
10. **Financial Report**: The finance committee reported that the 2015-16 budget is on track. See GVCS Financial Dashboard and Budget versus Projections attached. Andy also included California Charter School Association (CCSA) January 2016 Budget Brief.
11. **School Calendar**: The 2016-17 School Calendar was approved. (Ayes: 9, Noes: 0, Abstained: 0)
12. **Benefits Proposal**: This item was tabled.
13. **Executive Director (ED) Hiring Task Force and Transition Change Management (TCM) Report**: The ED task force is on target. Stephanie Lorenz is representing the teachers on the ED task force. The Board will interview the candidates in a closed session. If Board members wish to submit questions, they should do so through Ally Jakubicka. The TCM Task Force will be activated soon.
14. **Executive Director (ED) Job Description**: The ED job description was based on things the Executive Director will need to do and Andy's heart diagram. The position will pay \$90-120K based on experience and negotiations. The ED job description was approved. See attached. (Ayes: 9, Noes: 0, Abstained: 0)
15. **Central Office Blue Print Task Force Report**: The task force decided on a process and developed a schedule. Goals consist of naming title roles and responsibilities for each person, providing a list of interfaces, looking at the work year days, having a list of all of the trainings that everyone should have (AESOP, IT, etc), creating an onboarding process, assessing facilities' needs, moving offsite versus splitting up the central office group. A Central Office Blueprint Task Force report is due on April 21, 2016. The group consists of all of the central office personnel.
16. **Finance Committee Appointments**: Lee Scott (River) and Aaron Watt (Orchard) were appointed to the Finance Committee. (Ayes: 9, Noes: 0, Abstained: 0)
17. **Committee Reports**: Reports from the following committees were given.

CCSA: Joanne Ahola reported that CCSA is focused on the upcoming election and community outreach. There is a ballot initiative to dissolve charter schools in California in the signature gathering phase. The group is very small and hasn't raised much money. The group is not affiliated with the CA Teachers Association. CCSA is still figuring out the best strategy to deal with anti-charter sentiment.

GVEF: Andy Silvert reported that GVEF is trying to figure out a way to have a big money making event that would draw from outside the school community. There will not be a Silent Auction at the May Festival this year. The Live Auction will still take place.

18. **Identify Items for Future Board Training:** No items were presented.

19. **Recitation of the Motto of the Social Ethic:**

*The healing social life is found
When in the mirror of each human soul
The whole community finds its reflection,
And when, in the community,
The virtue of each one is living.*

20. **The meeting was adjourned at 5:45 pm.**

Respectfully Submitted By: Amala Easton

John Hanafee, Board Chair

Date