

**GOLDEN VALLEY CHARTER SCHOOLS
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Regular Meeting**

**Tuesday, May 17, 2016
4:30 p.m.
Golden Valley Orchard School**

**6550 Filbert Avenue
Orangevale, CA. 95662
Room 9**

Minutes

OPEN SESSION

1. **Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 4:33.
2. **Roll Call: Board Members Present:** Joanne Ahola, Jody Begley, G'anna Burke, John Hanafee, Ally Jakubicka, Zach Phillips, Sarah Sullivan, Becky Page, Eric Walder. **Board Members Absent:** Ryan Sutton. **Guests:** John Baker, Allison Brooks, Caleb Buckley, Rhoda Cortez, Samantha Crippin, Scott Crippin, Amala Easton, Nicole Grant, Susan Gutierrez, Bob Holt, AJ LaCoste, Debi Lenny, Stephanie Lorenz, Andy Silvert, Paula Watson.
3. **Flag Salute/Quote/Moment of Silence:** Debi Lenny read a quote by Jim Rohm, "If someone is going down the wrong road, he doesn't need motivation to speed him up. What he needs is education to turn him around."
4. **Public Comment:** Debi Lenny thanked Nicole Grant and Marcia Lenci for their hard work on the Spring Celebration. John Baker announced he would be leaving at 5:40 to attend the Citizens Oversight Committee Meeting.
5. **Minutes:** The April 19, 2016 Regular Minutes were approved and amended to read, "She had finished a conversation with a trained and experienced Waldorf teacher." The May 5, 2016 Special Board of Trustees minutes were approved. (Ayes: 9, Noes: 0, Abstain: 0)
6. **Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP):** The Local Control Accountability Plans for Orchard and River were approved. (Ayes: 9 Noes: 0 Abstain: 0)
7. **Executive Director Report:** The Executive Director presented items of interest to the Board. The last two PIMS are about to take place. Brittnie is doing a great job as the new Enrollment Coordinator. Pam Costa, San Juan Unified School District Board of Trustees President, attended the May Day Festival. She was personally invited by Orchard students with handmade invitations. Pam Costa specified that she only came because she was personally invited by students. Everyone is invited to the 8th Grade Graduation at River on June 7th. The number of students waitlisted in the ED report are for the 2016-17 academic year.

8. **Chief Operating Officer Report:** The Chief Operating Officer presented items of interest to the Board. The Orchard Grant audit is this Thursday and Friday. Our financial audit is happening today. Financial audits occur two times per year, as is mandated. Our auditing firm merged with another firm and the current auditor is new to our school. She is coming up to speed about who we are.

9. **Plan for the Use of Educator Effectiveness Funds:** The Chief Operating Officer discussed spending \$38,687 that must be spent on professional development. This will be voted on during the September 20, 2016 meeting.

10. **Central Office (CO) Blue Print Task Force Final Report:** The task force presented their final report. The report sought to define the CO's roles and responsibilities. This document will help the new Executive Director and CO plan for the future.

11. **Appoint Caleb Buckley Executive Director and an Officer of the Corporation, Golden Valley Charter Schools for Educational Renewal:** The Board voted to appoint Caleb Buckley as Executive Director and an officer of the corporation to replace Deborah D. Lenny. (Ayes: 9, Noes, 0, Abstain: 0)

12. **Appoint Susan Gutierrez as a Signatory for the Corporation:** The Board voted to appoint Susan Gutierrez, Director of Educational Support Services, as a signatory for the corporation to replace Andrew Silvert. (Ayes: 9, Noes: 0, Abstain: 0)

13. **Committee Reports:** Reports from the following administrative committees and school organizations:

CCSA Families: There is a possible Facilities Bond Measure that could allocate \$600M to be used for schools in the San Juan School District. CCSA wants language in the measure that some money will go to Charter Schools.

Golden Valley Educational Foundation: GVEF met on May 16, 2016, and Caleb Buckley was introduced. There are a lot of credit card defaults in the reoccurring payments. A new fundraising event is proposed for September 22, 2016 to target the larger community. Tickets will be \$100. Chris Aguirre is heading up the plans for the event. The May Day Art Auction did well. The live auction and Golden Ticket took in \$11K. They hope to move the auction out of May Day. The Day of Giving didn't turn out very well due to technical difficulties on the host's website. The event made \$1,700 for GVCS.

14. **Preliminary Budget 2016-17:** The Board voted to approve the budget for the 2016-17 school year with the following amendment, increasing teacher mentor budget line item to \$38K. (Ayes: 9, Noes: 0, Abstain: 0)

15. Identify Items for Future Board Training: Those who would like to leave the Board were asked to please find their own replacement. All Board members need to submit a photo and bio for the website. Please turn them in to Marlene Laughter. The next Board meeting is tentatively scheduled for August 23rd.

16. 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.*

17. The meeting was adjourned at 6:24.

Respectfully submitted by: Amala Easton

John Hanafee, Board Chair

Date