

**GATEWAY HIGH SCHOOL
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES
Tuesday, October 17th, 2006 @ 5:09– 7:00 p.m.**

Board Members Present:

Leslie Burlock	Cecily Cameron	Eve Collard
Cathy Dean	Robin Donohoe	Becky Draper
Erika Goncalves	Ashley Hager	Norman Katz
Donna Liu	Gale Mondry	Toye Moses
Pat Napoliello	Sharon Olken	William Parish
Bob Scavullo	Suzanne Schutte	Leon Schmidt
Laura Spivy	Liana Szeto	Peter Thorp
Alberto Tovar		

Board Member Excused:

Susan Hoffman	Carole Hays	Karen Jess-Lindsley
Lisille Matheson	Joyce McMinn	Judith McCrae

Also Present:

Quenadyne Bucher	Andrew Simmons	Iris Smith
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1. CALL TO ORDER AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

1.1 Chair Cathy Dean called the meeting to order at 5:09 p.m. The meeting was held in the Library of Gateway High School.

1.2 The minutes of the September 19th, 2006 Board Meeting were reviewed and unanimously approved.

2. TRUSTEE NOMINATION

Will Parish was recently nominated by the Faculty to one of the two Trustee positions set aside of Gateway faculty. His resume was presented to the Board and his nomination was ratified as the new Faculty Trustee.

3. STUDENT COUNCIL UPDATE:

Sharon Olken introduced Andrew Simmons, Student Body President. Andrew updated the Board about this year's student council committees and upcoming school events including the mock election. One of the major changes that he has noticed since his freshman year at Gateway is a greater sense of community amongst students. Andrew briefly discussed his plans for life after Gateway.

Will Parish, head of Student Activities and Government, discussed the challenges of keeping students committed to student activities. He combats this challenge by encouraging business etiquette in students in order to instill a sense of responsibility. He strives to recruit charismatic students, such as Andrew Simmons, in order to encourage students to get involved.

4. PRINCIPAL'S REPORT:

Sharon discussed the current student effort to raise awareness about, cope with, and abolish violence in the community. Some of these efforts include student organized benefits as well as expanding the Gateway Emergency Plan to include violence issues.

Sharon shared an Amicus Brief, which is currently being presented by *The Lawyers Committee for Civil Rights of The San Francisco Bay Area* to the Supreme Court on behalf of Seattle Unified School District. Seattle Unified, in its desegregation efforts, mentioned Gateway as an example of how desegregation and diversity *does* work in the school system.

Sharon shared the new Burl Toler mural which was created by Gateway Students with the help of visiting artist Joseph Norris. This mural will be presented at the upcoming Burl Toler Campus Renaming Ceremony.

Sharon opened the floor to Will Parish, who shared a presentation about the new Student Jobs Program. The purpose of this program is to raise student awareness about caring and responsibility by allowing them to take an active role in keeping the Burl Toler campus clean and beautiful. Some of these jobs allow students to gain community service hours.

Sharon discussed this year's effort to focus on the college preparatory portion of our mission. Gateway's College Counselor, Joel Rangel, and School Counselor, Amy Bowles, are integrating their efforts to enhance this program.

This year there is also an emphasis on the professional development of faculty members to provide them further support and appreciation. The goal is to increase collaboration amongst faculty by increasing faculty meetings, to allow them time to interact and support each other. Faculty evaluations have also been enhanced as a part of this effort to provide faculty with feedback on all of their hard work.

Sharon showed a video clip, created by KIPP SF Bay Academy, which demonstrated what the school is all about. She then discussed some key features that make KIPP SF Bay Academy similar to Gateway High School, including their college-preparatory mission, the emphasis placed on student achievement, focus on the community, diversity, and commitment to provide support for underserved kids.

Sharon proposed that Gateway High School create a new enrollment policy for KIPP: Gateway will reserve up to 15% of the spots in the incoming 9th grade class each year to students who are graduating from KIPP SF Bay Academy. This motion was unanimously approved with the exception that Sharon will report further details of the lottery procedures to the Board.

5. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

5.1 Strategic Planning Committee: Chair Cathy Dean dispersed a handout about upcoming initiatives and encouraged Board members to review it and submit feedback. The details of this feedback will be incorporated into November's Board meeting.

5.2 Finance Committee: A motion was proposed that the "Campaign for the Future" funds will be assigned as Board Designated Campaign Funds. The Board unanimously approved this motion.

The Board also discussed details about the projected budget for the fiscal year and the expected role that upcoming fundraising events will play in this budget.

5.3 Development Committee: Tina McGovern, Gateway's new Director of Development and Outreach will join the Gateway team in the beginning of November.

5.4 Campaign to the Future: Cathy Dean shared the new Campaign for the Future case statements with the Board.

6. ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 7:00 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, November 2006 at 7:00 p.m. in the Library at Gateway High School.

Signed: _____
Becky Draper, Board Secretary

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