

**GATEWAY HIGH SCHOOL  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES  
Tuesday, June 13<sup>th</sup>, 2006 @ 5:06 – 7:33 p.m.**

**Board Members Present:**

Leslie Burlock	Cathy Dean	Becky Draper
Ashley Hager	Susan Hoffman	Matt Holzer
Lisille Matheson	Gale Mondry	Sharon Olken
Leon Schmidt	Suzanne Schutte	Laura Spivy
Peter Thorp	Robin Richards Donohoe	
Marcia Matre	Karen Jess-Lindley	

**Board Member Excused:**

Carole Hays	Cloey Hewlett	Liana Szeto
Alberto Tovar	Marie Washington	Joyce McMinn
Donna Liu	Margot Shaub	

**Also Present:**

Karen Dutina	Christina Griffith	Quenadyne Bucher
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**1. CALL TO ORDER AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

- 1.1** Chair Cathy Dean called the meeting to order at 5:06 p.m. The meeting was held in the Library of Gateway High School.
- 1.2** The minutes of the May16<sup>th</sup>, 2006 Board Meeting were reviewed and unanimously approved.

**2. PUBLIC FORUM: There were no public comments.**

**3. BOARD OF TRUSTEE BUSINESS:**

Chair Cathy Dean directed attention to the new Board of Trustees. Susan Hoffman spoke on behalf of the three new candidates – Norm Katz, Toye Moses and Ericka Goncalves. A motion was made to accept all three candidates for Board membership, the vote was unanimous, and was seconded. The three new trustees were brought in and introduced to the entire Board.

Susan Hoffman then made a motion to bestow Peter Thorpe with the honorary title of Emeritus Board of Trustee Member in honor of his legacy and dedication to Gateway as its founding principal. The motion was seconded, and the vote was unanimously. The Board presented Peter with a gift of a handcrafted rocking chair.

Cathy reviewed the four candidates for the Board Officers for 2006/2007. The following officers were presented for a second term - Cathy serving as President, Becky Draper as Secretary, and Laura Spivy continuing to serve as Treasurer. Lisille Matheson made the motion; it was seconded, and voted unanimously. Departing Trustees were recognized for their contributions - Cloey Hewlett, Marie Washington, and Marcia Matre (outgoing GPA President), and Faculty Board Members Christina Griffith and Matt Holzer.

Cathy concluded with a reminder about Graduation Day ceremonies on June 18<sup>th</sup>.

**4. PRINCIPAL'S REPORT:**

- 4.1** Sharon Olken thanked Cathy Dean for her phenomenal leadership at Board President this year. Sharon then shared writings from graduating Seniors who wrote of their time at Gateway, and described the awards given out the prior day in honor of achievements reached by many students in many different ways.  
Sharon updated the Board on new faculty hiring which is progressing very well.

**5. COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

- 5.1 Strategic Committee:** Cathy Dean spoke about the research and metric study that has been done for the seven focus areas of the Committee's Strategic Planning, and highlighted that not many schools have measured themselves on testing scores, college applications, etc. The Strategic Committee has examined the quantitative and qualitative aspects to insure we are in keeping with our mission, vision and goals.
- 5.2 Development Committee:** Eve Collard reported that we have met the fundraising goals for this year. Eve asked Board members to think about invitation and cultivating friends of Gateway in connection with the November 14<sup>th</sup> Luncheon.
- 5.3 Campaign for the Future:** Peter spoke and underscored the need for Board Members to focus on this effort, bring names and resources to the group in order to reach goals.– He emphasized the need to expand the list of potential gifts, and indicated sub-committees will be created to expand efforts and perhaps bring in alumni families.
- 5.4 Finance Committee:** Laura Spivy reported that we have done better than expected a year ago prior to the site move, and the facilities projects are going well. She then presented an overview of the investment policy and led a discussion touching on objectives and controls. Specific goals will be presented to the Board in the fall. A motion was made, seconded and approved in support of the Investment Committee's policies. Business Manager Karen Dutina gave her report, and the budget was approved with a motion made, seconded and unanimous vote. Chair Cathy Dean then read a resolution before the Board authorizing the Application to the State of California for funding categorical aid programs, a motion was made, and the resolution was passed with a unanimous vote. It was moved to adopt the resolution.
- 5.5 Faculty Affairs Committee:** Gail Mondry presented a plan regarding Gateway's faculty leave policy for the Board's consideration and adoption. A motion was made to approve the new faculty leave policy, and it was seconded and approved unanimously.

- 6. ADJOURNMENT:** There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 7:28 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, September 19th, 2006 at 5:00 p.m. in the Library at Gateway High School.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_  
Becky Draper, Board Secretary

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