



GVS Minutes

GVS Board Meeting
Wednesday, December 14 · 6:00 – 8:00pm

Google Meet joining info

Video call link:

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Our Vision: GVS fosters creative, happy, healthy students who are both thinkers and doers, actively contributing to their community and the world. At GVS, children develop into **well-rounded socially, emotionally and physically intelligent learners**, growing their **creativity, critical thinking** and **craftsmanship** through **engagement with their local communities and the world.**

Our Mission: GVS provides an educational program focused on **agriculture and environment** in a small caring dedicated school community as unique as the rural surrounding in which we live.

1. Opening

1.1 Call to Order at 606

1.2 Roll Call-

Amanda Salas , Jody Medina , Amos Mace , Andrea Pacheco , Ann Riedmiller, Aaron Capps ,
Deborah Tanzy, Jackie Williams , Saba Halaby

Guests: John Usery, Cheyenne Griego, Syna Kistler, Electra Johnson

1.3 [Our Vision & Mission](#)

1.4 Approval of Agenda 12/14/22

AM motions to approve the amended agenda. AP seconds. Unanimous.

1.5 Public Comment (on Agenda topics)

2. Consent Agenda

2.1 Approval of minutes 11/16/22

AS motions to approve the consent agenda. AM seconds. Unanimous.

3. Guest presentation-

John Usery with the ArtaicGroup - BEST grant

The high school is receiving the majority of the 2020 bond funds that are secured and secured a BEST grant in 2021. Peakview and Gardner will be sharing the remaining portion of the bond funds, and will also be recipients of a portion of another unsecured BEST grant that is projected to be secured in 2023. While hesitant to give a specific amount, the ballpark of one million dollars is confirmed as Gardner Valley School's portion of the secured Bond funds. His consulting group is being paid for out of the bond funds and future work will be partially covered by the State if additional BEST grant funds are secured. Priorities proposed are roof replacement and mechanical system upgrades, heat, ventilation, etc. A short discussion about the solar roof idea that was a selling point of the bond measure reveals that, 1. A Best grant won't be able to pay for that, 2. There may be other grants (John offers to send some information to Jody about these) that would fund a separate array on site, and 3. San Isabel may be able to purchase renewable energy credits that could offset the carbon footprint of the school. The BEST grant team being proposed is the Wold architecture firm, Nunn contractors, and ArtaicGroup would be the consultants managing the projects. Initial budget estimates for the roof replacement and mechanical system upgrades (basic edition) are one million dollars each. At the next meeting they are hoping to present a budget for the priority projects. The plan is to send out information for the board to review prior to the next meeting. Open communication between Artaic Group, Huerfano County

School District, and Gardner Valley Charter is going to be critical especially in these early stages.

Syna Kistler - System Performance framework progress

The focus of this presentation is understanding how the qualitative ideas in the strategic plan will be measured. There are process measures and impact measures for each year, as well as an impact measure for the following year. The majority of the work in the goals is creating our FIT profile and in establishing baselines for this year. Syna will next be working with the staff on the school's goals so she can create draft of the Every, Many, Some

4. Regular Business

4.1 Officer and committee reports

President's update and committee report
Vice President's fundraising and PR report
Treasurer's financial report
Secretary's grants and procurement report

4.2 Head of School report

Enrollment is remaining steady despite some turnover. Jody is happy to be able to spend more time in the classroom observing the teachers than she was able to last year.

4.3 Staff Liaison report- nothing to report

5. Discussion and Action Items

5.1 Board member interviews & vote to fill open seat

Public interview of Cheyenne Griego.
Saba Halaby, letter of intent

AM motions to appoint Cheyenne Griego to the Community Member board seat, filling the vacancy of Saba Halaby. AS seconds. Unanimous.

5.2 Budget Revision- adopt

AM motions to adopt the revised FY22/23 appropriated budget, and sign and deliver the revised appropriated resolution to the district. AP seconds. Unanimous.

5.3 RAPTOR- drivers license screening program for volunteers - tabled for next meeting

5.5 Electra Johnson-with the Gardner Main Street Advisory Board

The part of town that is being envisioned for development is a 27 acre lot directly behind the community center. They are considering a diverse group of spaces that would each meet one or more of the needs of the community. One of these spaces would be housing. The unique values of Gardner and the stakeholders of the Gardner Main Street project are being considered in every aspect of the planning of such a housing project. A survey to get data about potential renters/buyers is being considered as a collaboration with the IHOP grant survey that will be going out. The initial units that they are considering are small, affordable houses that would serve a single person or a small family. The work on the housing front requires an assessment of the need, and that is where the school can get involved at this point.

5.4 Transportation policy- review & adopt

AS motions to accept the revisions and adopt the Transportation policy. AM seconds Unanimous.

5.6 Revised Student policy- review & adopt

AM motions to approve and adopt the Student policy with the proposed edits. AS seconds. Unanimous.

5.7 Revised Board Member Agreement- review & adopt

AS motions to accept and adopt the revised Board Member Agreement. AM seconds. Unanimous.

5.8 General Board Process- when things are brought before the board, what is the process?

The board will review and discuss items multiple times before an item can be voted on.

5.9 Conflict of Interest- what constitutes a conflict?

It is not a conflict of interest to serve on multiple boards as long as that member abstains from voting on action items that specifically involve another organization for which that voting member is also a board

member.

5.10 Board conduct- how do we pause and restart when we feel we aren't being heard/understood?
Rodeo!

5.11 Huerfano Re-1 board meeting update - tabled for next meeting

5.12 Miller Farmer Law rate increase

Effective January 1, 2023. Amos is looking into the date on our current contract with them.

5.13 Resignation letter, Amos Mace

Amos will rescind his undated, standing letter of resignation, as the board agrees that we want him to continue to serve.

6. Public Comment (Open to all topics)

7. Executive Session- as needed

8. Adjournment at 916 PM

Signed: _____

Signed: _____ Date Approved: _____