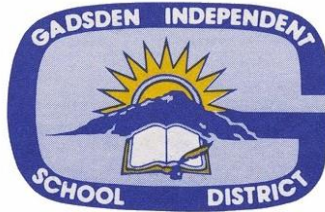


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REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES

For August 8, 2013

- Introduction and Roll Call
1. The Gadsden School Board convened in open session at 5:06 p.m. President Daniel Castillo presided at the meeting held at the Gadsden Administrative Complex.
- Members present: Daniel Castillo, Craig Ford, and Jennifer Viramontes. Maria Saenz arrived at 5:13 p.m. Member absent: Ms. Gloria Irigoyen.
- Pledge & Mission Statement
2. Marissa Gomez, Diego Soto, and Cesar Esparza led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance and the Pledge to the New Mexico flag. The Mission Statement was read by President Castillo.
3. Programs, Reports, and Correspondence:
- Superintendent's Report
- A. Superintendent's Report
Superintendent Yturralde introduced new district administrators and acknowledged all the school administrators.
- Board President
- B. President: President Castillo thanked Principal Araujo and Desert View for hosting the board meeting. He thanked the choir on the wonderful song they performed. He thanked the GHS Panther Band where while attending a 30 year reunion, they performed for them. He said he was looking forward to a great school year.
- Board Member's Reports
- C. Board Members:
- Vice-President Viramontes thanked the choir for the great song performed. She thanked Ms. Nougues for the first Athletic Committee meeting. She went to North Valley Elementary for a presentation of books to the first graders by Governor Martinez. Mrs. Viramontes welcomed all of the new administrators to the Gadsden family. She attended an Audit Entrance meeting last week and thanked Mr. Suggs and the Finance department on a great job keeping us on track. She will be going to Memphis to attend a National School Boards meeting and is looking forward to sharing information from the other school board members on the new teacher evaluation.

Secretary Irigoyen – absent

Ms. Saenz said she was unable to attend the presentation with Governor Martinez. She congratulated Desert View Principal Araujo on the wonderful landscape in the back of the school. She thanked the choir on their wonderful choice of "Pennies from Heaven", a Broadway song. Ms. Saenz thanked Mr. Suggs on the wonderful job

he is doing at keeping the district on track.

Mr. Ford said it was always a pleasure having the board meetings at the school sites and he enjoyed the performance by the choir. He thanked Ms. Nougues on a fantastic job the Athletic Department is doing. He thanked all of the administrators, especially the new ones and wished everyone a great year.

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| Student Representative | D. Student Representative – absent |
| Personnel Report | E. The personnel report is included for the Board’s information with no action required. |
| Approval of the Agenda | 4. Mr. Ford made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Superintendent Yturralde recommended approval of the motion. Motion carried unanimously. |
| School Board Minutes | 5. A. Mrs. Viramontes made a motion to approve the minutes for the July 25, 2013 board meeting. Superintendent Yturralde recommended approval of the motion. Motion carried unanimously.
B. Ms. Saenz made a motion to approve the minutes for the July 29, 2013 special board meeting. Superintendent Yturralde recommended approval of the motion. Motion carried unanimously. |
| Consent Agenda | 6. Mr. Ford made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented. Superintendent Yturralde recommended approval of the motion. Motion carried unanimously. |
| Open Forum Action | 7. Open Forum: None
8. Action Items: |
| Anthony I.S.D. – Emergency Operations Plan Memorandum of Understanding | A. Mrs. Viramontes made a motion to approve the Anthony I.S.D.- Emergency Operations Plan Memorandum of Understanding. Superintendent Yturralde recommended approval of the motion. Mr. Castillo, Ms. Saenz and Mrs. Viramontes voted aye, and Mr. Ford voted nay. Motion carried. |
| Desert Pride Academy 2012-Phase I | B. Ms. Saenz made a motion to approve the Desert Pride Academy 2012-Phase I. Superintendent Yturralde recommended approval of the motion. Motion carried unanimously. |
| Grand Canyon University Educational Alliance MOU | C. Mrs. Viramontes made a motion to approve the Grand Canyon University Educational Alliance MOU. Superintendent Yturralde recommended approval of the motion. Motion carried unanimously. |
| Little Tumbleweeds Lease of former Alma Del Valle | D. Ms. Saenz made a motion to approve the Little Tumbleweeds Lease of former Alma Del Valle. Superintendent Yturralde recommended approval of the motion. Motion carried unanimously. |
| Policy JKD- Student Suspension/Expulsion – Modification of Policy | E. Mrs. Viramontes made a motion to approve the Policy JKD-Student Suspension/Expulsion-Modification of Policy. Superintendent Yturralde recommended approval of the motion. Motion carried unanimously. |
| Santa Teresa High School Vocational Building re-roofing | F. Ms. Saenz made a motion to approve the Santa Teresa High School Vocation Building re-roofing. Superintendent Yturralde recommended approval of the motion. Motion carried unanimously. |
| Sunland Park | G. Mr. Ford made a motion to approve the Sunland Park Elementary |

Elementary
Resolution with
NMDOT

Resolution with NMDOT. Superintendent Yturralde recommended approval of the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Sunland Park
Elementary Kitchen
Upgrade Project

H. Mrs. Viramontes made a motion to approve the Sunland Park Elementary Kitchen Upgrade Project. Superintendent Yturralde recommended approval of the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion

9. Discussion Items:

Cash Balance Policy –
Proposed Board
Policy

A. Steve Suggs, CFO, gave information on the proposed cash balance policy which would require that a Cash Balance Target (CBT) be established for the Operational Fund as part of the annual budget process. The policy indicates at least a 5% CBT be established. The policy allows the Board to approve a different CBT if the financial status of the District changes. The proposed policy was developed with the assistance of the District's Financial Advisor, RBC Capital Markets.

Mesquite Elementary
Library and Cafeteria
Re-Roofing

B. Mr. Gallegos presented information on the Mesquite Elementary School Library and Cafeteria re-roofing project. The Bid Opening is scheduled for Tuesday, August 13th and will be presented for board approval on August 22nd.

Board Workshop

C. Superintendent Yturralde recommended scheduling a board workshop on August 22th at 3:30 pm to present the SBA Scores for the 2012-2013 school year and the District Action Plan for this school year.

Adjourn

10. Mr. Ford made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Superintendent Yturralde recommended approval of the motion. Motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 5:58 p.m.

SUBMITTED BY:

APPROVED BY:

Gloria Irigoyen, School Board Secretary

Daniel Castillo, School Board President

Minutes taken by Elisa Saénz