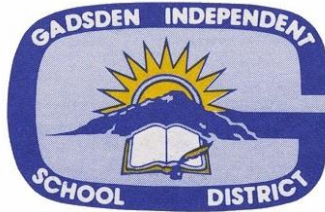


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**REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES**

For September 12, 2013

Introduction  
and  
Roll Call

1. The Gadsden School Board convened in special session at 4:54 p.m. Secretary Gloria Irigoyen via telephone called the meeting to order. She stated that she was unable to attend the meeting due to the inclement weather. Ms. Irigoyen made a motion to have board member Maria E. Saenz preside as Chairperson for the meeting. Board Member Maria E. Saenz presided at the meeting held at the Gadsden Elementary School Cafeteria.

Member present: Maria Saenz. Craig Ford and Gloria Irigoyen stated that due to the rains and several road closures they were not able to attend in person but were able to participate via tele-conference.

Member absent: Daniel Castillo and Jennifer Viramontes.

Pledge &  
Mission Statement

2. The Pledge of Allegiance and the Pledge to the New Mexico flag were recited. The Mission Statement was read by Board Member Saenz.
3. Programs, Reports, and Correspondence:

Superintendent's  
Report

A. Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Yturalde reported that the City of Sunland Park had problems with a water well and it had affected Desert View, Riverside and Sunland Park Elementary. The three schools were without water one day and classes were canceled for the next day. Superintendent Yturalde said due to the amount of rainfall in the area that Parent/Teacher conferences were canceled and staff was released at 1:00 p.m. this afternoon.

Board President  
Board Member's  
Reports

B. President: Absent

C. Board Members:

Secretary Irigoyen apologized for not being able to attend the meeting in person and hoped everyone was doing well despite the rains.

Mr. Ford hoped that everyone does well and keeps safe during the rainstorms. He commended Superintendent Yturalde, administration and maintenance for staying on top of all of the situations that the District has been facing the last few weeks.

Ms. Saenz was glad that everyone was staying safe and that the rain was good for the pecan trees.

Vice-President Viramontes – Absent

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| Student Representative   | D. Student Representative – none   |
| Personnel Report   | E. The personnel report is included for the Board’s information with no action required.   |
| Approval of the Agenda   | 4. Ms. Saenz made a motion to table item 9C, presentation on The Parent Portal. Staff making the presentation was sent home due to the inclement weather. Superintendent Yturralde recommended approval of the motion. Motion carried. Mr. Ford made a motion to approve the agenda as modified. Superintendent Yturralde recommended approval of the motion. Motion carried.  |
| School Board Minutes   | 5. Ms. Irigoyen made a motion to approve the minutes for the August 22, 2013 board meeting. Superintendent Yturralde recommended approval of the motion. Motion carried.   |
| Consent Agenda   | 6. Ms. Irigoyen made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented. Superintendent Yturralde recommended approval of the motion. Motion carried.   |
| Open Forum   | 7. Open Forum: None  |
| Action   | 8. Action Items:<br>A. CFO Steve Suggs explained that the Bonds were bid this morning and closed at 10:00 a.m. The bond rating was upgraded from an A3 to an A2 rating, the highest rating in the last 13 years.<br><br>Mr. Ford made a motion to approve the Resolution Authorizing Issuance and Sale of \$9,500,000 Series 2013 GO Bonds. Superintendent Yturralde recommended approval of the motion. Motion carried.   |
| Resolution Authorizing Issuance and Sale of \$9,500,000 Series 2013 GO Bonds | B. Superintendent Yturralde said that 700 square feet addition was requested by Little Tumbleweeds Day Care. Mr. Yturralde reminded the Board that Little Tumbleweeds Day Care is a privately owned business and the district is not able to provide any transportation for the children.<br><br>Ms. Irigoyen made a motion to approve the proposed amendment to the Little Tumbleweeds Day Care Lease. Superintendent Yturralde recommended approval of the motion. Motion carried. |
| Little Tumbleweeds Day Care Lease Amendment                                  |  |
| Discussion   | 9. Discussion Items:   |
| Monthly Budget Report for The Month Ended July 31, 2013                      | A. Steve Suggs, CFO, discussed the budget report for the month of July, 2013. The report is linked to the agenda for their review.   |
| MOU with NM Commission for The Blind   | B. Superintendent Yturralde presented information on the proposed Memorandum of Understanding with The NM Commission for the Blind. The Commission for the Blind is not affiliated with the New Mexico School for the Blind and Visually Impaired, but they work closely together on areas of common concerns. Currently the district has approximately 22 students who are blind or visually impaired and require services. Services will be provided at the schools.               |

Presentation of the  
Parent Portal

C. Item was tabled. Superintendent Yturralde said that the Parent Portal presentation will be on the September 26, 2013 agenda.

Adjourn

10. Ms. Saenz made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Superintendent Yturralde recommended approval of the motion. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 5:14 p.m.

SUBMITTED BY:

APPROVED BY:

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Gloria Irigoyen, School Board Secretary

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Daniel Castillo, School Board President

Minutes taken by Elisa Saénz