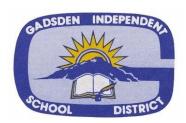
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DRAFT- 10/01/2014 FINAL –10/09/2014 **REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES**

For September 25, 2014

1. The Gadsden School Board convened in regular session at 5:05 p.m. President Castillo presided at the meeting held at the Loma Linda Elementary School Cafeteria

Introduction and Roll Call

Members present: Daniel Castillo, Craig Ford, and Jennifer Viramontes

Members absent: Gloria Irigoyen and Maria Saenz.

Pledge & Mission Statement

- 2. The Pledge of Allegiance and the Pledge to the New Mexico flag were led by Anais Barajas and Kayla Melendez. The mission statement was read by President Castillo.
- 3. Programs, Reports, and Correspondence:
 - A. Superintendent's Report

Principal James Lawler welcomed everyone to Loma Linda Elementary School and introduced music teacher Ms. Charlotte Anderson and the drum choir. The drum choir played a few selections before the board meeting was called to order as well as at the beginning of the meeting.

Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Yturralde awarded Korean War veteran Manuel R. Silva his Gadsden High School diploma. Mr. Silva enlisted in the Navy during his senior year. Mr. Silva was given a spirit basket from Gadsden High School by student representatives Jonathan Granados and Tommy Cano.

Superintendent Yturralde announced that the First in Math program at Gadsden Elementary was featured in We Are DeKalb. Gadsden Elementary was listed number one in the district as well as in the nation.

Board President

B. President: President Castillo congratulated Mr. Silva. He went to the Gadsden High School game against Santa Teresa and enjoyed the intensity of the close game.

Board Member's Reports

C. Board Members:

Vice-President Viramontes thanked Mr. Silva for his service to our country. She thanked the drum choir and Ms. Anderson for their performance. She commented on how she has promoted the First in Math program at the schools she reads at. She attended the

Western Region School Board Conference at the University of Nebraska. She went on a tour of the SpacePort with board members and district personnel. She bought back pictures which she shared with the students she reads to. Pink week is this week in our district and she thanks everyone for their generous donations.

Secretary Irigoyen – absent

Board Member Saenz – absent

Board Member Ford thanked Mr. Silva for his services. He thanked everyone in the district that work with helping our students improve their math skills. Mr. Ford and Superintendent Yturralde attended a Chaparral Community Improvement meeting.

D. Student Representative –Jonathan Granados, a senior from Gadsden High School. Jonathan that he was happy to be at the elementary he attended, Loma Linda Elementary. He reported that Gadsden High School had just celebrated homecoming week ending with a win over Santa Teresa High School, a big rivalry game attended by at least 4,000 fans. Jonathan announced that the Gadsden High School students presented Mr. Silva with a spirit basket.

Student Representative

Personnel Report

Approval of the Agenda

School Board Minutes

Consent Agenda

Open Forum

Action

Resolution Authorizing Issuance and Sale of \$9.500,000 Series 2014 GO Bonds E. The personnel report is included for the Board's information with no action required.

- 4. Mr. Ford made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Superintendent Yturralde recommended approval of the motion. Motion carried.
- 5. Mrs. Viramontes made a motion to approve the September 11, 2014 board meeting minutes. Superintendent Yturralde recommended approval of the motion. Motion carried.
- Mr. Ford made a motion to approve the consent agenda as amended. Superintendent Yturralde recommended approval of the motion. Motion carried.
- 7. Open Forum: none
- 8. Action Items:
 - A. Steve Suggs, CFO was joined by Paul Cassidy and Eric Harrigan of RBC Capital Markets who presented information on the sale of the \$9.500,000 Series 2014 GO Bonds earlier in the morning. Mr. Cassidy said that it was the 4th lowest interest rate in the last 23 years and a sealed interest A rate of 1.59% was received. The District's rating by Moody's remained at the A2 level. FTN Financial Capital Markets was the lowest bidder. Mr. Ford made a motion to approve the Resolution Authorizing Issuance and Sale of \$9.500,000 Series 2014 GO Bonds. Superintendent Yturralde recommended approval of the motion. Motion carried.

9. Discussion Items

Discussion

Monthly Budget Report for the Month Ended July 31, 2014 A. Steve Suggs, CFO, gave the Board an overview of the Monthly Budget Report for the Month Ended July 31, 2014.

Revision to IKF-R Alternative Demonstration of Competency B. Mrs. Casillas explained that the Alternative Demonstration of Competency is a regulation to Policy IKF Graduation Requirements. IKF-R is being revised to add a Portfolio as an Alternative Demonstration of Competency for the Graduating Class of 2015 only.

Adjourn

10. Mr. Ford made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Superintendent Yturralde recommended approval of the motion. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 5:42 p.m.

SUBMITTED BY:	APPROVED BY:
Gloria Irigoyen, School Board Secretary	Daniel Castillo, School Board President
Minutes taken by Elisa Saénz	