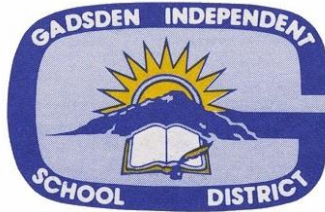


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REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES

For February 26, 2015

1. The Gadsden School Board convened in regular session at 5:08 p.m. Vice-President Viramontes presided at the meeting held at the Gadsden Administrative Complex Board Room.

Introduction
and
Roll Call

Members present: Craig Ford, Gloria Irigoyen, Maria Saenz, and Jennifer Viramontes.

Members absent: none. Daniel Castillo arrived at 5:37 p.m.

Pledge & 2.
Mission Statement

Presentation of Colors was done by the Gadsden High School NJROTC and the Pledge of Allegiance and the Pledge to the New Mexico flag were led by Jonathan Granados. The mission statement was read by Mrs. Viramontes.

3. Programs, Reports, and Correspondence:
 - A. Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Yturralde recognized and thanked the Pantastic students from Gadsden High School for their great performances at the NMSBA last year and the Fall Region VII meeting.

Chaparral Middle School Principal Marti Muela introduced MESA sponsor Rina Viramontes and members of NM MESA who were present to recognize the students for their state championship.

Superintendent's
Report

DECCA sponsor Isela Ramos introduced Erika Soriano who medaled in state competition in personal selling and will now go Nationals in Orlando Florida to represent Gadsden and the state of New Mexico.

Business Professionals of America Sponsor Elizabeth Leal introduced her students: Emmanuel Hernandez, Laura Trejo, Kristin Duran, Marla Martinez, and Alicia Muñoz-Galvan, who placed 2nd in state competition in Web Design. They created their own travel agency website featuring four destinations. The team will now travel in May to Anaheim for national competition.

Associate Superintendent Susan Yturralde announced that the District Spanish Spelling Bee competition had taken place on Wednesday, February 25th. Amparo Arredondo took 3rd place, Rene Melendez took 2nd place and Maria del Sol Nuñez-Peña a 5th

grade student from Chaparral Elementary placed 1st. Maria del Sol also placed 2nd in the English Spelling Bee. She announced the 18 students from 15 of our elementary schools and our 3 middle schools would be competing on Friday, February 27, 2015 at Bel Air High School.

Superintendent Yturalde thanked Ms. Gloria Irigoyen for her dedicated service to the students of our district during her tenure as board member.

- Board President B. President: President Castillo apologized for arriving late. He thanked Ms. Irigoyen for her board member service to the District.
- Board Member's Reports C. Board Members:
Vice-President Viramontes said that during the last NMSBA conference about 150 new board members attended the training. She thanked the administrators on making their job as board members easy. She said that they had the kick off for "I am New Mexico Public Schools" at the roundhouse. She encouraged everyone to nominate a teacher, telling their story. This is being done throughout Doña Ana County. Mrs. Viramontes thanked Ms. Irigoyen for her dedication in serving our students.

Board Member Saenz thanked Principal Giron and GHS on hosting the board meeting. Everything was wonderful-the art work, Mr. Villa and the music, and the dinner. Ms. Saenz thanked Ms. Irigoyen for her hard work and dedication not only to the students in her area, but to all the students of our district.

Board Member Ford thanked Ms. Irigoyen for her service.

Secretary Irigoyen said that she was unable to attend one last conference as a board member. She thanked the administrators on their hard work at keeping the students motivated and doing so well as reflected in all the accolades that the district has received. Ms. Irigoyen said she will continue to be involved, and promoting programs that will help students do well.

- Student Representative D. Student Representative –Jonathan Granados, a senior from Gadsden High School. Jonathan said students are beginning PARCC testing on Monday. SBA testing preparations are also ongoing. There are parent meetings scheduled at 8 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. with the principal to discuss with parents Graduation and PARCC testing. Parent classes are being offered on financial literacy and computers. Both Girls and Boys Basketball are currently in the District playoffs. Wrestlers came back from State competition with 6th place Edwin Castaneda, 5th place Yuseff Locket and 3rd place Alvaro Gonzalez. Spring Sports are also underway.

- 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.
- School Board Minutes 5. Ms. Irigoyen made a motion to approve the February 12, 2015 board meeting minutes. Superintendent Yturralde recommended approval of the motion. Motion carried.
- Consent Agenda Ms. Saenz made a motion to approve the August 28, 2014 board meeting minutes. Superintendent Yturralde recommended approval of the motion. Motion carried.
6. Mrs. Viramontes 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:
- NMSBA Excellence for Student Achievement Award A. Mr. Ford made a motion to approve Mr. Terry Dollar from North Valley Elementary for the NMSBA Excellence for Student Achievement Award. Superintendent Yturralde recommended approval of the motion. Motion carried.
- Reformat of the School Board Agenda B. Mrs. Viramontes made a motion to table changing the format School Board Agenda. Superintendent Yturralde recommended approval of the motion. Motion carried.
- Yucca Heights Elementary School C. Mr. Ford made a motion to approve the name of Yucca Heights Elementary for the new elementary school in Chaparral. Superintendent Yturralde recommended approval of the motion. Motion carried.
- Amend Policy BDA Board Organizational Meeting D. Ms. Saenz made a motion to amend Policy BDA Board Organizational meeting by changing the term in office to two years. Superintendent Yturralde recommended approval of the motion. Motion carried.
- Discussion 9. Discussion Items:
- Quarterly Budget Report for the Month Ended December 31, 2014 A. Steve Suggs, CFO presented information on the Quarterly Budget Report for the Month ended December 31, 2014. He said that the cash balance was still on target and that the reimbursement process continues to move forward. The District has \$1.5 million invested in CD's .
- April 9, 2015 Regular Board Meeting B. Superintendent Yturralde informed the Board that most of the administrative staff would be attending the Spring Budget Workshop April 8th – 10th, and that there was a possibility that the April 9th regular board meeting would need to be canceled or postponed. Mr. Suggs said the District had not yet received word on the carryovers and that would determine if we needed to reschedule the meeting for April 16th or if the meeting could be canceled.

- Adjourn 10. Ms. Saenz made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Superintendent Yturralde recommended approval of the motion. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

SUBMITTED BY:

APPROVED BY:

Gloria Irigoyen, School Board Secretary

Daniel Castillo, School Board President

Minutes taken by Elisa Saénz