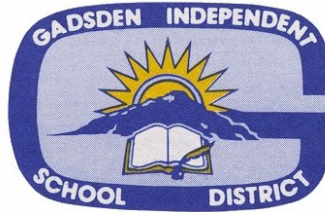


Efren Yturralde
Superintendent



4950 McNutt Road
Sunland Park, New Mexico

P.O. Drawer 70
Anthony, N.M. 88021
Phone: (575) 882-6200

DRAFT 11/3/2016
FINAL –11/10/2016
REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES
For October 27, 2016

Introduction
and
Roll Call

1. The Gadsden School Board convened in regular session at 5:00 p.m. President Saenz presided at the meeting held at the Gadsden Administrative Board Room.

Members present: Daniel Castillo, Daniel Estupiñan, Craig Ford, Maria Saenz, and Jennifer Viramontes.

Pledge &
Mission Statement

2. Presentations of color were done by the Yucca Council Mescalero District 82 Pack of the Boys Scouts. The pledge to the U. S. Flag and the New Mexico flag were led by Oscar Gutierrez and Sarah Webb Dukes. The mission statement was read by Member Castillo.
3. A. The Yucca Heights Choir under the direction of Mr. Gutierrez, performed the National Anthem for the board and audience.

Superintendent Yturralde asked for a moment of silence on the passing of former Santa Teresa High School Boys Basketball Coach, Robert Haack.

Recognitions by
Superintendent

- B. Superintendent Yturralde introduced the Technology department to recognize them for their hard work and dedication to getting Yucca Heights technology ready for the school year in a such a small time frame.
- C. Interim Associate Superintendent Alfredo Holguin presented information on the Ben Lujan award. Gadsden Elementary head custodian Jose Piñon with 19 years' experience received the Ben Lujan award by the Public Schools Facility Authority.
- D. Mr. Holguin also informed everyone that PSFA visits school sites for the maintenance award and 6 schools received an award. Gadsden ISD received Honorable Mention, with an FMAR score of 16.85 which is the average of all the district's facilities. The district also has a current maintenance plan which improved to 75.5% since the evaluation of the awards.
- E. Student Representative – Sydney Zubia, a senior from Chaparral High School. Sydney congratulated and welcomed Yucca Heights to the Chaparral community. She said that the 11th and 12th graders are preparing to take the ACT and SBA retakes. They had a FAFSA night to assist parents and students how to apply for

financial aid. The Varsity Boys Soccer team is doing well in district with 5 of the players chosen to play in the all district team and 5 players were chosen to play on the 2nd all-district team. The team is exempt from competing in district playoffs and will go straight to State competition. On November 1st CHS will have a blood drive. The band did well receiving a Distinguished in the last competition. She said that (FCCLA) Family, Career and Community Leaders of America is hosting a fall festival.

- | | |
|------------------------|---|
| Human Resources Report | 4. The Human Resources Report is on the website. |
| Approval of the Agenda | 5. Mr. Ford made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Superintendent Yturralde recommended approval of the motion. Motion carried. |
| School Board Minutes | 6. Mrs. Viramontes made a motion to approve both the September 8 th special board meeting minutes and the October 13, 2016 school board minutes. Superintendent Yturralde recommended approval of the motion. Motion carried. |
| Consent Agenda | 7. Mr. Castillo made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented. Superintendent Yturralde recommended approval of the motion. Motion carried. |
| Open Forum | 8. Open Forum: Mrs. Villa, technology teacher, from Chaparral Middle School, presented information on an anti-bullying class project. Heaven Tellez and Corrine Arriaga worked on a technology based scavenger hunt tying in scanners to anti-bullying resources. The students showed each of the Board members how it worked. |
| Discussion | 9. Action Items: None |
| NMSU Report | 10. Discussion Items:
A. Board Member Daniel Estupiñan who serves on the NMSU Student Advocacy Board, presented information. He reported that NMSU Regents had rejected a tuition increase, and 12.1 million dollars had been cut from their budget which caused cutting 126 positions. Overall NMSU has undergone 32.1 million dollars in cuts from their budget over the last 3 years. The Lottery Scholarship is under financial pressure. Mr. Estupiñan said that members of the Advocacy Board are planning to attend the Legislative session and will continue to fight for NMSU students. |
| Adjourn | 13. Mr. Ford made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Superintendent Yturralde recommended approval of the motion. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 5:33 p.m. |

SUBMITTED BY:

APPROVED BY:

Jennifer Viramontes, School Board Secretary

Maria E. Saenz, School Board President

Minutes taken by Elisa Saenz