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DRAFT- 10/05/2017 FINAL –10/12/2017 **REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES** For September 28, 2017

1. The Gadsden School Board convened in regular session at 5:04 p.m. President Viramontes presided at the meeting held at the Gadsden High School Cafeteria.

Introduction And Roll Call

Pledge &

Superintendent's

Report

Mission Statement

Members present: Daniel Castillo, Daniel Estupiñan, Laura Salazar Flores, Maria Saenz and Jennifer Viramontes.

- 2. The presentation of colors was performed by the NJROTC Color Guard. The Pledge of Allegiance and the Pledge to the New Mexico flag were led by Cadets Francisco Gonzalez and Sara Basquez. The mission statement was read by Ms. Saenz.
- 3. Superintendent District updates and recognitions:
 - A. Interim Superintendent Yturralde introduced the new superintendent Travis L. Dempsey. Mr. Dempsey began by thanking the board for the opportunity. He stated that he is incredibly excited about the possibilities. Mr. Dempsey has been researching federal applications, budgets, etc. He stated one of the first projects that he presented to the board is a survey and wants to get started on working with the community, students, and staff survey to look for some patterns. He stated he is looking forward in working with the district.
 - B. Interim Superintendent Yturralde showed a video from the Secretary of Education in Washington that addresses one of our principals. Interim Superintendent Yturralde recognized and congratulated Mr. Jorge Araujo, Principal of Desert View Elementary, as the National Blue Ribbon School.
 - C. Gadsden High School Principal Mr. Giron introduced Lieutenant Commander Mark Morell. Lt. CDR Morell announced that the team competed in the Southern New Mexico Early Bird Skills Meet at Mayfield High School. Gadsden competed against JROTC programs from Las Cruces and El Paso and took 2nd Place Overall. The Armed Drill Team took 3rd Place in Inspection and Regulation. The Unarmed Drill Team took 3rd Place in Inspection and 2nd Place in Regulation. The Color Guard took 3rd Place. The Gadsden NJROTC Drill

Team represented well. Also, Lt. CDR Morell introduced the following cadets: Lorenzo Dominguez, Diego Marquez, Ailin Sotelo, and Miriam Soriano.

 D. Mr. Giron recognized Nayali Jacquez, Brandy Ramirez, and Mia Sanchez who participated in the TRIO Upward Bound Program. By participating in the program, they earned an elective credit for graduation.

Also, Mr. Giron recognized Eveny Quintero, 11th grader who participated in the 2017 NMSU PREP Academy. NM PREP Middle School Academy and NM PREP High School Academy are intensive two-week residential summer STEM programs held on the campus of New Mexico State University. The Academies have been designed to spark student interest in STEM, specifically in engineering, while engaging students in leadership, team-building, and hands-on activities that simulate real-world engineering experiences. Participating students gain insight into life on a university campus, gain self-confidence and self-identify in studying and working on STEM projects, and have the opportunity to interact with other students from across the state, as well as current NMSU undergraduate students and engineering faculty.

E. Student Representative-Nataly Gomez, a senior from Gadsden High School. Nataly reported that PSAT testing starts on October 11th. SBA Science testing for seniors will start October 30^{th.} There are currently twelve classrooms using Chrome books which enables students to do their work on-line. Three teachers qualified for a Carl Perkins Career Technical Grant which will be used to modernize equipment for PLTW Engineering, Agricultural, and Electronics. The student report card went from a D to a C which improved ten points; however, Mr. Giron is very positive it will continue to improve. Parent meeting is on October 10th at 8 a.m. and 6 p.m. in the Parent Workroom. There are ICAN Nutrition classes for adults and Sequence Teen Parenting classes will begin in the spring. The remodeling of the old English is going well. It is expected to be finished by early March. Gadsden High School would like to plan a Grand 90th Anniversary. Fall sports are in session which are Cross Country, Volleyball, Soccer, and Football. Winter sports will start in November. Gadsden Football team plays against Las Cruces this week. Homecoming was two weeks ago and was very successful.

Board President Viramontes thanked Mr. Giron for putting together a list of the history of construction. President Viramontes thanked the Culinary Arts program for the meal they provided.

	Also, President Viramontes stated she is glad to see students still participating in the TRIO Upward Bound program.
Personnel Report	4. The personnel report is included for the Board's information with no action required.
Approval of the Agenda	5. Mr. Castillo made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Interim Superintendent Yturralde recommended approval of the motion. Motion carried unanimously.
School Board Minutes	6. Ms. Saenz made a motion to modify the agenda of the correction 6C Special School Board Minutes for September 20, 2017. Mrs. Flores made a motion to accept the agenda as modified for 6A Special School Board Minutes for September 14, 2017, 6B Regular School Board Minutes for September 14, 2017, and 6C Special School Board Minutes for September 20, 2017. Interim Superintendent Yturralde recommended approval of the motion. Motion carried.
Consent Agenda	7. Mr. Castillo made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented. Interim Superintendent Yturralde recommended approval of the motion. Motion carried unanimously.
Open Forum	8. Open Forum: None
Action Approval of Desert Trail PSFA award letter	 9. Action Items: A. Mr. Castillo made a motion to approve the Approval of Desert Trail PSFA award letter. Interim Superintendent Yturralde recommended approval of the motion. Motion carried
Revision To Policy JLI, Student Safety with new Regulations and Exhibits	 unanimously. B. Mr. Castillo made a motion to approve the Revision To Policy JLI, Student Safety with new Regulations and Exhibits. Interim Superintendent Yturralde recommended approval of the motion. Motion carried unanimously.
Monthly Budget Report for the Month Ended July 31, 2017	10. Discussion Items:A. Mrs. Martinez presented information on the monthly budget report for the month ending July 31, 2017.
Adjourn	 Mr. Castillo made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Interim Superintendent Yturralde recommended approval of the motion. Motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 5:39.
SUBMITTED B	APPROVED BY:

Daniel Estupiñan, School Board Secretary

Jennifer Viramontes, School Board President

Minutes taken by MaryLou Delgado