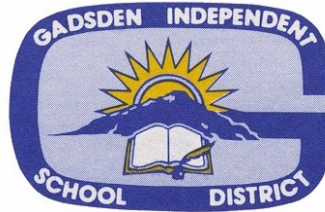


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**REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES**  
*For September 13, 2018*

Introduction  
And Roll Call

1. The Gadsden School Board convened in regular session at 5:02 p.m. President Estupiñan presided at the meeting held at the Gadsden Administrative Complex.

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

Pledge &  
Mission Statement

2. The Pledge of Allegiance and the Pledge to the New Mexico flag were recited. Laura Salazar Flores read the mission statement.

Superintendent's  
Report

3. Superintendent District Updates and Recognitions:
  - A. NMSU Dean of Agriculture Rolando Flores presented information on the G.O. Bond D for higher education. G.O. Bond D will fund capital improvements at New Mexico's universities and community colleges. The Bond D will be used for NMSU's Las Cruces campus to provide modern and renovated learning facilities. Dr. Flores stated it will benefit everyone with a stake in New Mexico's future. Also, he stated there is no tax increase. The GO Bond D will go on the election ballot in November.
  - B. Mrs. Viramontes reported that she will attend a meeting with NMAA in Albuquerque. There are several appeals that will be heard such as "eligibility policy". Superintendent Dempsey and Mrs. Viramontes attended a meeting with the City of Sunland Park regarding building and zoning. She also attended a meeting with Microsoft and the Santa Teresa Charitable Foundation. Microsoft is implementing a grant, in El Paso, with four high schools. This grant is for the TEAL Program which they are also considering for the GISD area. The grant will be released at the end of this year and Microsoft is inviting GISD to apply. The Teal grant is for a mentorship program in which students participate with businesses having computer science jobs. Also, she reported that she attended a few games.

Mrs. Saenz had nothing to report.

Mr. Castillo had nothing to report.

Mrs. Flores congratulated Mr. Wohlgemuth and STHS Football team for their win over Onate HS. She also announced that she is expecting!

President Estupiñan had nothing to report.

- C. Student Representative-Ericka Chen, a freshmen from Santa Teresa High School, stated that she would like to acknowledge the new teachers at STHS this year, such as Kathy Segura, a 9<sup>th</sup> grade Biology Teacher. Last week, we had “Data Day”, where we received our PARCC test scores from the previous school year. Fall sports are doing well, especially the football team by winning against Gadsden and not having lost any games. The band had a show named “The Incredibles” directed by Alma Beach. Two weeks ago was our “Western” theme homecoming week and dance. The Pep Rally, Powder Puff game, and dance were a success. NJROTC will host a Blood Drive on September 26th. The air conditioning system construction has been completed. The Science Lab construction is progressing effectively. Seniors will receive their SAT’s on October 10<sup>th</sup>. Ms. Chen stated that her favorite thing about the past 6 weeks has been band and attending the football games.
- 4. The personnel report is included for the Board’s information with no action required.
- 5. Mrs. Viramontes made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Superintendent Dempsey recommended approval of the motion. Motion carried unanimously.
- 6. Mr. Castillo made a motion to approve the September 13, 2018 Regular School Board Minutes. Superintendent Dempsey recommended approval of the motion. Motion carried unanimously.
- 7. Ms. Saenz made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented. Superintendent Dempsey recommended approval of the motion. Motion carried unanimously.
- 8. Open Forum: None
- 9. Action Items:
    - A. Mrs. Flores made a motion to approve the Lease Proposal between Gadsden ISD and Community Action Agency of Southern NM. Superintendent Dempsey recommended approval of the motion. Motion carried unanimously.
    - B. Ms. Saenz made a motion to approve the Desert Trail Systems Upgrade 2018. Superintendent Dempsey recommended approval of the motion. Motion carried unanimously.
    - C. Mrs. Viramontes made a motion to approve the RFP for Selection of Architect for LL. Superintendent Dempsey recommended approval of the motion. Motion carried unanimously.
    - D. Mrs. Viramontes made a motion to approve the New Mexico School Board Association Proposed Legislative Resolutions.

Personnel Report

Approval of the Agenda

School Board Minutes

Consent Agenda

Open Forum  
Action  
Lease Proposal  
between Gadsden ISD  
and Community  
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Southern NM

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New Mexico School  
Board Association

- Proposed Legislative Resolutions Superintendent Dempsey recommended approval of the motion. Motion carried unanimously.
- DNR: Policy Example
- Facilities Priorities List
- Bilingual Workshop Follow-Up
- Campus Technology Standards
- Gadsden High School Old English Building Ribbon Cutting Ceremony
- Closed Session
- Reconvene
- Adjourn
10. Discussion Items:
- A. Superintendent Dempsey presented information on the DNR: Policy Example.
  - B. Mrs. Herrera presented information on the Facilities Priorities List.
  - C. Superintendent Dempsey presented information about the Bilingual Workshop Follow-up. He stated it will be Part II of the Bilingual Workshop. Possible dates could be September 29<sup>th</sup> or October 13<sup>th</sup>.
  - D. Superintendent Dempsey presented information on Campus Technology Standards. Ms. Saenz suggested that the technology committee take up this work and come back to the board with recommendations. President Estupiñan agreed to have the technology committee meet to set these classroom standards and come back to the board with recommendations.
  - E. Superintendent Dempsey presented information on the Gadsden High School Old English Building Ribbon Cutting Ceremony. He is requesting details from the board and asks that any ceremonies planned be respectful to the community. Ms. Saenz recommended inviting the community for the ribbon cutting ceremonies and tours from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. with the board meeting at 6:00 p.m.
11. Closed Session
- Mr. Castillo made the motion to go into Closed Session pursuant to 10-15-1, H-2, NMSA 1978 for Superintendent's and Associate Superintendent's report on recent personnel actions and issues such as: employees on administrative leave with pay, employee grievances, and employee issues. Superintendent Dempsey recommended approval of the motion. A roll call vote was taken, Daniel Castillo, Daniel Estupiñan, Laura Salazar Flores, Maria Saenz, and Jennifer Viramontes all voted aye. Motion carried unanimously. The Board went into Closed Session at 7:01 p.m.
12. Mrs. Viramontes made a motion to reconvene in open session. No action was taken during closed session. Superintendent Dempsey recommended approval of the motion. Motion carried unanimously. The Board reconvened in Open Session at 8:24 p.m.
13. Ms. Saenz made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Superintendent Dempsey recommended approval of the motion. Motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

SUBMITTED BY:

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Laura Salazar Flores, School Board Secretary

Minutes taken by MaryLou Delgado

APPROVED BY:

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Daniel Estupiñan, School Board President