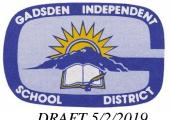
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REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES

For April 25, 2019

 The Gadsden School Board convened in regular session at 5:03 p.m. President Estupiñan presided at the meeting held at the Gadsden Administrative Complex.

Introduction And Roll Call

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

Maria Saenz arrived at 5:21 pm.

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.
- 3. Superintendent District updates and recognitions:
 - A. Superintendent Dempsey presented the District Leadership Council Students with an honor cord to the following seniors: AVECHS-Samantha Nava; Desert Pride- Karla Espinosa, Chris Nunez; GHS-Bryan Burciaga; and STHS-Dominic Flores.
 - B. Mr. Giron, Principal at Gadsden High School, introduced Mrs. Virginia Lerma, sponsor for the GHS FCCLA. Mrs. Lerma recognized the national qualifiers that will be competing in Anaheim, California this June: Manuel Morales advanced in the Advocacy Event; Jessica Nuñez and Ayleen Torres advanced in the illustrated Talk Event; Gabriella Nuñez advanced in the Focus on Children Event; and Meredith Rivas competed in the Intermediate Child Care Event. This event is only a state event, which does not advance to nationals; however, she earned 100 out of 100 points. She received a gold medal.
- Superintendent's Report
- C. Mrs. Hernandez, Principal at Chaparral Middle School, introduced Rina Viramontes, sponsor for MESA Team. Mrs. Viramontes recognized the MESA team that took first and second place at state level. First place team will compete at nationals in Phoenix this June.

Team 2 placed 2nd overall, 1st catapult, 2nd in math and 3rd on on-site engineering:

Alizae Fernandez, Paulina Aguilar, Genesis Rubio, Eliha Hernandez

Team 2: Joel Ramirez, Juan Munoz, Irvin Suarez, and Damian Illoa

Mesa USA Team Biddle Products won 1st overall and 1st in poster, paper, pitch and interview. They also received the People Choice Award: Team members are Alyssa Sandoval, Isaac Garcia, and Elias Galvan.

Team Buffet Monitor won 2nd overall and 2nd in all the above categories that biddle won, however, they tied with Biddle on Poster: Ian Nuñez. Estevan Montelongo, Gideon Potts, Uriel Oronia, and Nathan Chumley.

D. Ms. Yvette Lazarin, Chairwoman for the Gadsden Foundation, introduced the counselors to recognize this year's scholarship recipients. Also, Ms. Lazarin announced it will be her last year as a Chairwoman for the Gadsden Foundation after 17 years. She thanked the counselors and members for their hard work.

Principal Liliana De La Garza from Alta Vista Early College High School recognized Angelina Alvarez and Alejandra Talamantes. Counselor Jennifer Park from Chaparral High School recognized Daveena Chacon, Jaimmy Homan, and James Homan. Counselor Juanita Mendoza, from Desert Pride Academy, recognized Karla Limas-Espinoza and Juan Tinoco. Counselor Maria Dominguez, from Gadsden High School, recognized Cristina Esparza, Litzy Guzman, and Karla Salcido. Counselor Melissa Cobos, from Santa Teresa High School, recognized Dominic Flores, Gerardo Martinez, and Jacob Villalobos.

E. Mrs. Viramontes congratulated the scholarship recipients. She stated that the Gadsden Foundation is supported by staff and employees of the district who donate to the foundation. She thanked Mrs. Lazarin for her service and dedication to the Gadsden Foundation. She congratulated Mrs. Rina Viramontes and the MESA team for representing the district. Also, she stated she attended the Region VII meeting held at Santa Teresa Middle School and thanked Superintendent Dempsey's office staff for hosting and putting it together.

Ms. Saenz apologized for being late. She mention that she met the new Secretary of Education, Karen Trujillo. She said she is very nice and knowledgeable and looking forward to seeing nice things coming down from the Public Education Department. She stated that she attended two functions at North Valley Elementary.

Mr. Castillo congratulated the recipients for the Gadsden Foundation Scholarships. He stated that it is interesting to see the MESA Team very young and remain to be in first place. He

stated he attended the Region VII meeting, and having the Sunrise Elementary Ballet Folklorico, STHS Culinary, GHS Steel Drum Band was a true reflection of the district. He thanked everyone who participated in hosting the meeting.

Mrs. Flores reported that she attended the Coffee with the Superintendent at Yucca Heights Elementary. Also, she attended the Verizon Innovative Program. She congratulated the CMS MESA Team. She stated that Chaparral High School attended the State Concert and received a superior rating. She thanked Mrs. Acosta and administration from Sunrise Elementary for inviting her to go talk to the 4th graders to encourage them to take the PARCC seriously and to do their best. She stated that she attended the Region VII meeting at Santa Teresa Middle school. She congratulated President Estupiñan for his accomplishments.

President Estupiñan reported that there is so many inspiring people students in the district, however, the students he admires most are from Desert Pride. They have overcome so many obstacles from marginalized communities so disadvantaged, and they are still here graduating from high school. A big shout out to Desert Pride! He mentioned that for the last 3 months he was at Washington, D.C. working with Representative Xochitl Torres Small. He was asked to help set up their new office. It was a very challenging task. He stated that he will be graduating in two weeks with no student loans thanks to Santa Teresa High School. He was awarded top academic honor at NMSU with a 3.98 and received the Latino Leadership Award. He announced that in August he has been accepted to Harvard University to start his Masters. He applied for one scholarship at Harvard and received a full tuition scholarship, books and supplies, health insurance, and an apartment.

- F. Student Representative-Bryan Burciaga, a senior from Gadsden High School, thanked Principal Giron for bringing the one to one chromebook initiative. Starting August, every student will be issued out a chromebook. This past week, they had a campus contest for a design to be placed on back of the chromebooks. The district has installed 56 wireless access points for seamless connection throughout campus. Doña Ana County Commissioner, Shannon Reynolds is working with the school to create Wi-Fi hotspots throughout the community. Senior Awards will be on May 7th from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm. Students are working to create access to personalize Data Binders of all grades.
- 4. The personnel report is included for the Board's information with no action required.

Approval of the Agenda

 Mrs. Viramontes made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Superintendent Dempsey recommended approval of the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

School Board Minutes

6. Ms. Saenz made a motion to approve the April 11, 2019 Regular School Board Minutes. Superintendent Dempsey recommended approval of the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Consent Agenda

7. Mr. Castillo made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented. Superintendent Dempsey recommended approval of the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Open Forum

8. Open Forum: None

Action

Zones

9. Action Items:

NMSBA Scholarship Nominee A. Mrs. Viramontes made a motion to approve the NMSBA Scholarship Nominee. Superintendent Dempsey recommended approval of the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

2019-20 School Calendar B. Ms. Saenz made a motion to approve the 2019-20 School Calendar. Superintendent Dempsey recommended approval of the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Construction Projects Update Discussion Proposed Attendance C. Mr. Castillo made a motion to approve the Construction Projects Update. Superintendent Dempsey recommended approval of the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

2019-20 Budget Board Workshop And Budget Calendar 10. Discussion Items:

Construction Projects Update

- A. Mr. Holguin presented information on the Proposed Attendance Zones.
- B. Mrs. Martinez presented information on the 2019-20 Budget Board Workshop And Budget Calendar. Mrs. Martinez asked to request an amendment to the Budget Calendar due to a delay in obtaining information for the NM PED to put the 2019-20 budget together. The district budget is due on May 27th at 8:00 am. She proposed the following changes to move the Finance Committee meeting from April 18th to May 8th, the Budget Workshop from April 29th to May 15th, and the Board Approval of Preliminary Budget from May 9th to May 23rd.
- C. Mr. Gallegos presented information on the Construction Projects Update.

Closed Session

11. Closed Session

Ms. Saenz 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 Estupinan, Laura Salazar Flores, Maria Saenz, and Jennifer Viramontes all voted aye. Motion carried unanimously. The Board went into Closed Session at 7:25 p.m.

Reconvene

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 8:28 p.m.

Adjourn

13. Mr. Castillo made a motion to adjourn the meeting.
Superintendent Dempsey recommended approval of the motion.
Motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 9:20 p.m.

SUBMITTED BY:	APPROVED BY:
Laura Salazar Flores, School Board Secretary	Daniel Estupiñan, School Board President
Minutes taken by MaryLou Delgado	