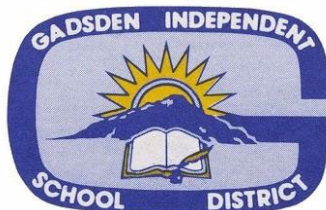


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REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES

For August 10, 2023

1. The Gadsden School Board convened in regular session at 5:01 p.m. President Laura Salazar Flores presided at the meeting held at the Gadsden Administrative Complex.

Introduction
And Roll Call

Members present: Armando Cano, Laura Salazar Flores, Arlean Murillo, and Claudia Rodriguez.

Daniel Castillo was absent.

Pledge &
Mission Statement

2. The Pledge of Allegiance and the Pledge to the New Mexico flag were recited. The mission statement was read by President Flores.

Superintendent's
Report

3. Superintendent District updates and recognitions:
 - A. Superintendent Dempsey introduced the 2023-2024 Campus Administrators from each campus.

4. Mrs. Murillo reported that the year has been very eventful and heard from parents and teachers in the new school year with new changes and asks parent to please be very patient. She stated she is looking forward for the new school year and encourages parents to stay informed.

Board Members
Report

Mrs. Rodriguez dittoed of what Mrs. Murillo reported and also asks parents to be patient as new changes arise. She also encourages parents to attend the school meetings.

Mr. Cano dittoed of what his fellow board members reported.

President Flores reported that she took the opportunity to visit all of the Chaparral schools on the first day of school. She reminded the public that it is snake season and to be mindful of their surroundings. She encourages the Gadsden community to go out and support our athletes.

Personnel Report

5. The personnel report is included for the Board's information with no action required.

- Approval of the Agenda
- School Board Minutes
- Consent Agenda
- Open Forum
- Action
- Consideration of and approval of a Resolution Determining the Necessity For Lease-Purchase of Education Technology Equipment
- Consideration of and approval of a Resolution Authorizing and Approving Submission of a Completed Application for Financial Assistance and Project Approval to the New Mexico Finance Authority
- Consideration of and approval of a Resolution Authorizing Sale of School Bonds, Establishing Procedures for the Sale and Delivery of the Bonds, Authorizing and Approving Submission of a Completed Application for Financial Assistance and Project Approval to the New Mexico
6. Mr. Cano made a motion to accept the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.
 7. Mrs. Rodriguez made a motion to accept the July 20, 2023, Regular School Board Minutes. Motion carried unanimously.
 8. Mrs. Murillo made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.
 9. Open Forum: Andres Ramirez addressed to the board regarding concerns about New Mexico state laws in schools. Dolores Nañez addressed to the board regarding issues and concerns in the district.
 10. Action Items:
 - A. Mrs. Rodriguez made a motion to approve the Consideration of and approval of a Resolution Determining the Necessity For Lease-Purchase of Education Technology Equipment. Mrs. Murillo second the motion. Motion carried unanimously.
 - B. Mrs. Murillo made a motion to approve the Consideration of and approval of a Resolution Authorizing and Approving Submission of a Completed Application for Financial Assistance and Project Approval to the New Mexico Finance Authority. Motion carried unanimously.
 - C. President Flores made a motion to approve the Consideration of and approval of a Resolution Authorizing Sale of School Bonds, Establishing Procedures for the Sale and Delivery of the Bonds, Authorizing and Approving Submission of a Completed Application for Financial Assistance and Project Approval to the New Mexico Finance Authority, and Authorizing Other Matters Related to the Issuance of the Bonds. Mrs. Rodriguez second the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Finance Authority,
and Authorizing
Other Matters Related
to the Issuance of the
Bonds

Update Policy A-0300
ACA and A-0312
ACA-RB
“Nondiscrimination
on the Basis of Sex”
Contact Information
for Title IX
Coordinator

GISD District
Priorities SY 2023-24

Proposed Land Lease
Agreement with
Cellco Partnership
dba: Verizon Wireless

Utility Easement
Access For El Paso
Electric to Proposed
Verizon Cellphone
Tower

Discussion
Parent Notifications

GISD Policy JRD-R
Student Photographs

GHS Swimming Pool
Update

Upcoming Board
Meetings and Events

D. Mr. Cano made a motion to approve the Update Policy A-0300 ACA and A-0312 ACA-RB “Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Sex” Contact Information for Title IX Coordinator. Motion carried unanimously.

E. President Flores made a motion to table the GISD District Priorities SY 2023-24. Superintendent Dempsey recommended to table the item to prepare for action plans by August 24th board meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

F. Mrs. Rodriguez made a motion to approve the Proposed Land Lease Agreement with Cellco Partnership dba: Verizon Wireless. Motion carried unanimously.

G. Mr. Cano made a motion to approve the Utility Easement Access For El Paso Electric to Proposed Verizon Cellphone Tower. Motion carried unanimously.

11. Discussion Items:

A. Mrs. Creegan, Director for Nursing, presented information on the Parent Notifications. She further explained the need to ensure transparency from the classroom/school to our parents ensuring that the district is working to establish partnerships between school and home.

B. Superintendent Dempsey presented information on the GISD Policy JRD-R Student Photographs. He explained the current regulation with action plan to ensure compliance.

C. Mr. Smythe, Director for Physical Plant, presented information on the GHS Swimming Pool Update.

12. Superintendent Dempsey announced the upcoming meetings:

A. Next Regular Board Meeting: Thursday, August 24, 2023 (Deadline for Item Requests August 14, 2023)

B. NMSBA Fall Region VII Meeting October 17-Gadsden HS

Closed Session

13. Closed Session

Mr. Cano made the motion to go into Closed Session pursuant to 10-15-1, H-2, of the Open Meetings Act NMSA 1978 as amended 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. A roll call vote was taken, Armando Cano, Laura Salazar Flores, Arlean Murillo and Claudia Rodriguez all voted "aye". Motion carried unanimously. The Board went into Closed Session at 6:44 p.m.

Reconvene

14. Mrs. Rodriguez made a motion to reconvene in open session. No action was taken. Motion carried unanimously. The Board reconvened in Open Session at 9:20 p.m.

Adjourn

15. President Flores made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 9:21 p.m.

SUBMITTED BY:

APPROVED BY:

Arlean Murillo, School Board Secretary

Laura Salazar Flores, School Board President

Minutes taken by MaryLou Delgado