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Minutes



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DRAFT- 09/015/2016 FINAL -09/22/2016 REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES For September 8, 2016

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 Complex. Introduction and Members present: Daniel Castillo, Craig Ford, Maria Saenz, and Roll Call Jennifer Viramontes. Members absent: Daniel Estupiñan. Pledge & 2. The Pledge to the U. S. Flag and the New Mexico flag were recited. **Mission Statement** The mission statement was read by Secretary Viramontes. 3. A. Student Representative – Andres Portillo, a freshman from Alta Vista Early College High School. Andres said he is committed to his graduation year of 2020. He said that the 185 students at Recognitions by Superintendent AVECHS are proud to have completed the first 5 weeks of school. He said that when he first arrived at AVECHS he was a bit unsure, but now is successful and confident and is happy be following in the steps of his predecessors. B. Secretary Viramontes shared information from the DACC Advisory Board meeting where she and Mr. Castillo, who is also the current president for the DACC Advisory attended. She said DACC's enrollment is up 4% and that they went from four departments to five. They are aligning all of the campus to make them more self-sustaining. She said that the Chaparral DACC branch has grown and they are planning of adding the electrician program by El Paso Electric. Mrs. Viramontes also attended the NMAA Advisory Committee meeting and shared information that the NMAA is considering changing. She mentioned that there are not enough officials to officiate at all of the games in the area and schools are being asked to change schedules to other days to help ensure officials are available. 4. The Human Resources Report Regarding Current Staffing is on the Human Resources Report website. 5. Mr. Ford made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Approval Superintendent Yturralde recommended approval of the motion. of the Agenda Motion carried. 6. Mr. Castillo made a motion to approve the August 25, 2016 school School Board

board minutes. Superintendent Yturralde recommended approval of

	the motion. Motion carried.
Consent Agenda	 Mrs. Viramontes made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented. Superintendent Yturralde recommended approval of the motion. Motion carried.
Open Forum	8. Open Forum: None
	9. Action Items:
Consideration & Approval of a Resolution Authorizing Sale of School Bonds	A. Paul Cassidy from RBC Capital Markets presented information on the sale of the Bonds earlier in the morning. The district received an A1 rating. Seven bids were submitted and the purchaser was to Cantor Fitzgerald & Co for the sale of \$9,500,000 GO Schools Bonds, Series 2016.
	Mr. Castillo made a motion to approve the Resolution Authorizing Sale of School Bonds. Superintendent Yturralde recommended approval of the motion. Motion carried.
PARCC 4 or 5 Implementation Resolution	B. Mrs. Viramontes made a motion to approve the PARCC 4 or 5 Implementation Resolution. Superintendent Yturralde recommended approval of the motion. Motion carried.
Discussion	10. Discussion Items:
NMSU GO Bond C, and Bond B for Academic Libraries	A. Superintendent Yturralde presented information on the upcoming NMSU GO Bond C, and Bond B elections. The passing of both bond elections will be used towards upgrading their academic libraries.
June 30, 2016 Year End Financial Report	B. Mrs. Martinez presented information on the End of Year Financial Report. Superintendent Yturralde added that there will be a special session, and he is hoping that the district's cash balance will be left untouched. He said that this past year \$9m had to be pulled out of the district's cash balance. He explained that there is currently a freeze on some positions.
School Grades/PARCC Test Scores	C. Mrs. Casillas, Director for MIS presented information to the Board on the District's School Grades and PARCC Test Scores.
Security Cameras in the District	 D. Mr. Holguin presented information on the Security Cameras throughout the District. He said with the assistance of the Technology Director, he compiled a list of the cameras located at each school. Depending on the location, some of the schools have more cameras than others. Mr. Holguin reported that there are 223 cameras district wide, with three of them down due to weather. He said the cameras were due to get a software update by October 1st. He said that the cameras only record when there is movement and the sensor picks up. Superintendent Yturralde affirmed that the district works well with the Doña Ana Sherriff's Department.
Breakfast in the Classroom	E. Ms. Guerra, SNP Director explained to the Board that the program that began as "Breakfast in the Classroom" is now "Breakfast After the Bell". Ms. Guerra said the program started in 2011 designed to feed the students to help them focus on what is being taught, some students do not get to eat breakfast before coming to school. Thus

	the implementation of this program. She explained that the success of the program is dependent on the teacher delivering the lesson while the students are eating their breakfast.
	10. Closed Session:
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, employee issues, pending legal matters. Superintendent Yturralde recommended approval of the motion. A roll call vote was taken, Daniel Castillo, Craig Ford, Maria Saenz, and Jennifer Viramontes all voted aye. Motion carried unanimously. The Board went into Closed Session at 6:17 p.m.
Reconvene	 Mr. Ford made a motion to reconvene in open session. No action was taken. Superintendent Yturralde recommended approval of the motion. Motion carried. The Board reconvened in Open Session at 7:27 p.m.
Adjourn	 Mr. Ford made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Superintendent Yturralde recommended approval of the motion. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 7:28 p.m.

SUBMITTED BY:

APPROVED BY:

Jennifer Viramontes, School Board Secretary

Maria E. Saenz, School Board President

Minutes taken by Elisa Saenz