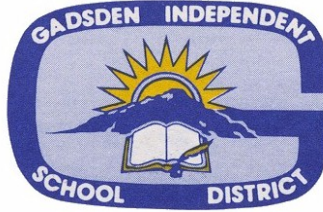


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## **REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES**

*For December 14, 2017*

1. The Gadsden School Board convened in regular session at 5:02 p.m. President Viramontes presided at the meeting held at the Riverside Elementary School.

Introduction  
And Roll Call

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

Daniel Estupinan arrived at 5:18 p.m.

Pledge &  
Mission Statement

2. The Pledge of Allegiance and the Pledge to the New Mexico flag were led by Owen Pichardo and Anabel Pena. The mission statement was read by Vice-President Castillo.

3. Superintendent District updates and recognitions:

A. Superintendent's Report

Riverside Principal Navarro introduced music teacher Mr. Karim Hill. Mr. Hill's third grade music students performed "Good King Wenceslas" and "Jingle Bells". Also, Mr. Hill's mariachi program performed "Ya Se Ven" and "Caballitos Marchando".

- B. Mrs. Navarro recognized Araceli Quinones, Paola Olvera, Perla Chavarria, Julieta Hernandez, Rita Carbajal, Sandra Lara, Rosa Cano, and Armando Cano who volunteer their time to help out in the classrooms and decorate the school. Also, Mrs. Navarro recognized Jerry Pacheco from Santa Teresa Charity Foundation for contributing to the district by providing backpacks, uniforms, bikes for top students, and scholarships for seniors. Mr. Pacheco was presented a plaque for appreciation for his commitment and dedication to Riverside Elementary for his support.

- C. Superintendent Dempsey presented the Every Student Succeed Act. It's a federal legislation commonly known as ESSA. Superintendent Dempsey presented the topics: Governor

Superintendent's  
Report

Martinez's Economic Plan, PED Approach, New Mexico's Short-Term Goals (2019-2020), Graduation Rates, Subgroups, Annual Assessment, School Grades, Identification of Schools, State Support And Improvement For Low Performing Schools, Teacher Evaluation, and Higher Education.

- D. Joshua Arreola and Jakob Macias presented Evolvment Campaign. Evolvment is a youth-led movement working to decrease the harmful and addictive use of tobacco. One of the campaigns they are working on this year is the 24/7 campaign. The 24/7 campaign is helping New Mexico school districts adopt, implement, and enforce truly comprehensive tobacco-free school policies. Under truly comprehensive policy, tobacco use, possession, and distribution is prohibited by anyone, anywhere, at anytime, and 24 hours a day 7days a week. By providing Tobacco packet folder they are hoping this will open dialogue about helping Gadsden ISD adopt a truly tobacco-free school policy for its schools.
- E. Mrs. Flores congratulated Robotics Team for Chaparral Middle School and Alta Vista Early College who traveled to Dallas, TX this past week for competition and placed 3<sup>rd</sup> in Tshirt Design. She also congratulated Vanessa Espinosa who graduation in 2013from Chaparral High School. She will be graduating from University of New Mexico in Photo Journalism.

Ms. Saenz wanted to congratulate those who put the Winter Festival together at Gadsden High School. She stated that it's sad but true that not a single administrator was present. There was a large crowd of parents to see their children sing. She stated it might have been due to rescheduling event. However, she would like to thank the people who participated.

Vice President Castillo thanked Mrs. Navarro for her hospitality.

President Viramontes thanked Mrs. Navarro and her staff for their hospitality and Mr. Karim for his performances. She stated she sees a future in Santa Teresa High School bringing back a Mariachi Group. Mrs. Viramontes stated that the board attended the Annual School Board Conference in Albuquerque and two districts in the state of New Mexico only had all five members become exemplarily members. Mrs. Viramontes stated that the school board members earned 20 hours of training this year. Mrs. Viramontes commented on representing teachers, staff, parents, and students with pride and the more we can learn and bring back for our district. She

also stated that not a meeting goes by at the state conference that Gadsden is not mentioned as an example.

F. Student Representative – Juliana Gough, a sophomore from Santa Teresa High School. Juliana stated fall sports ended and went pretty well. Volleyball went to state. Winter sports such as basketball and wrestling have begun. ROTC had their Annual Military Inspection receiving the unit Achievement Award. Also, they will be having a drill meet on February 1-3, 2018 in Santa Fe, NM. The ACT test took place on December 9<sup>th</sup>. Band marching season went great. Student Council will be hosting The Fine Arts Holiday Craft Fair on December 19<sup>th</sup>. and band will be performing. Penguin Parade was held on December 9<sup>th</sup> and gifts were given to families in need. National Honor Society had a can food drive in November for the La Union food bank.

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| 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. Superintendent Dempsey recommended approval of the motion. Motion carried unanimously.  |
| School Board Minutes   | 6. Mrs. Flores made a motion to approve the November 9, 2017 Regular School Board Minutes. Superintendent Dempsey recommended approval of the motion. Motion carried unanimously.                                       |
| Consent Agenda   | 7. Ms. Saenz 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   |
| New Policy JGC-Assignment of At-Risk Students; changes to EEAA | 9. Action Items:<br>A. Mr. Castillo made a motion to approve the New Policy JGC-Assignment of At-Risk Students; changes to EEAA. Superintendent Dempsey recommended approval of the motion. Motion carried unanimously. |
| La Mesa Roofing Project  | 10. Discussion Items:<br>A. Mr. Gallegos presented information on the La Mesa Roofing Project.  |
| RFP for Selection of Architect for DT                          | B. Mr. Gallegos presented information on the RFP for Selection of Architect for DT.   |
| 2018 Bond Election Proceeds Expenditures                       | C. Mr. Gallegos presented information on the 2018 Bond Election Proceeds Expenditures.  |

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| Boone Transportation Policies and Procedures                | D. Mr. Holguin presented information on the Boone Transportation Policies And Procedures.  |
| Loma Linda HVAC   | E. Mr. Gallegos presented information on the Loma Linda HVAC application.  |
| Approval Form for SUV To and From Transportation            | F. Mr. Rapanut presented information on the Approval Form for SUV To and From Transportation.  |
| Proposed Changes to Policies EFC, EFDA, and JFABD-EA        | G. Mrs. Lindau presented information on the Proposed Changes to Polices EFC, EFDA, and JFABD-EA.   |
| Monthly Budget Report For The Month Ended Ocotober 31, 2017 | H. Mrs. Martinez presented information on the Monthly Budget Report For The Month Ended October 31, 2017.  |
| Read Across America Day Proclamation                        | I. Mr. Medina presented information on the Read Across America Day Proclamation.   |
| Board Work Session  | J. Superintendent Dempsey will conduct a board work session on Saturday, January 6, 2018 at 9 a.m.   |
| Adjourn   | 11. Mr. Castillo made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Superintendent Dempsey recommended approval of the motion. Motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m. |

SUBMITTED:

APPROVED BY:

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Daniel Estupiñan, School Board Secretary

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Jennifer Viramontes, School Board President

Minutes taken by MaryLou Delgado