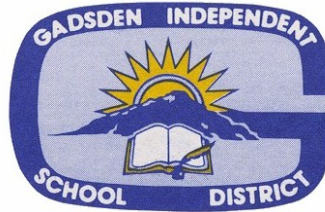


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## **REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES**

*For December 9, 2021*

Introduction  
And Roll Call

1. The Gadsden School Board convened in regular session at 5:05 p.m. President Salazar Flores presided at the meeting held at the Santa Teresa Elementary Cafeteria.

Members present: Armando Cano, Daniel Castillo, Laura Salazar Flores, Claudia Rodriguez, and Jennifer Viramontes

Pledge &  
Mission Statement

2. Michelle Mirabal, Math Intervention Teacher at Santa Teresa Elementary School was recognized as the Teacher Spotlight.

The Pledge of Allegiance and the Pledge to the New Mexico flag was led by Principal Leon Smith.

Superintendent's  
Report

3. Superintendent District updates and recognitions:
  - A. Superintendent Dempsey had a moment of silence for a previous employee, Frank Chacon. He taught band at Gadsden Middle School for 25 years.
  - B. Rosy Villalobos, Director for Federal Support Services, introduced Ernestina Jacquez, Federal Programs Coordinator for SEL, which she shared of the donations and items that the community contributed to Gadsden ISD during the holidays.

In Conclusion, Mrs. Jacquez gave a Big Thank You to Mrs. Jennifer Viramontes. She was given a farewell as this will be her last board meeting.

- C. Student Representative-Samuel Ortiz, a junior from Santa Teresa High School, reported that the administration has been limiting the student's tardies. It's been a long going problem since the beginning of the school year, however, it's been getting better. He stated that the juniors have officially started selling the prom tickets. Santa Teresa High School hosted their first Annual Boys Volleyball game. NJROTC has finally had their first ever All Girl Color Guard at their homecoming a couple months ago. Also, NJROTC will host their Military Ball on March 11, 2022. The volleyball and football team

announced that four varsity volleyball players and seven football varsity players made it to the All-State First Team. Fall sports have officially ended. Finally, the administration is planning on organizing presentations for our students about dress code.

They want upper classmen to take over these presentations and provide information to under classmen about why the dress code is the way it is and the benefits of following the dress code.

- D. Mr. Cano reported that he attended the NMSBA Annual Convention in Albuquerque. He thanked Principal Smith for hosting the meeting.

Mrs. Rodriguez thanked the community for their generous donation and contribution to Gadsden ISD for the holidays. She stated she also attended the NMSBA Annual Convention. She reminded the parents to participate in the Coffee with the Superintendent and Coffee with the Principal. She thanked everyone for their prayers during her recovery.

Mr. Castillo thanked Emma Nicole Fernandez for her singing performance and talent. He stated that Mrs. Jennifer Viramontes will truly be missed.

Mrs. Viramontes thanked the community for their donation and contribution to Gadsden ISD. She also thanked Mrs. Jacquez for organizing the event. She stated that Santa Teresa Middle School is having all students read a poem "Christmas In The Trenches". The student talk about the poem and then write about it. She thanked Santa Teresa High School for sending out a Weekly Letter of all events that are happening at their school. She thanked the administrators for their support.

President Flores thanked Mr. Smith and staff for their hospitality. She also thanked the community for their donation and contribution to Gadsden ISD for the holidays. She wished everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

- 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 accept the agenda as presented. Superintendent Dempsey recommended approval of the motion. Motion carried unanimously.
- School Board Minutes
  - 6. Mrs. Viramontes made a motion to accept the Regular School Board Minutes for November 9, 2021. Superintendent Dempsey recommended approval of the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

- Consent Agenda 7. Mrs. Rodriguez made a motion to accept the consent agenda as presented. Superintendent Dempsey recommended approval of the motion. Motion carried unanimously.
- Open Forum 8. Open Forum: Dolores Nanez addressed to the board about teacher's and employees resigning and retiring; Aaron Wolfley addressed to the board about the face masks.
- Action  
North Valley  
Elementary Irrigation  
Well 9. Action Items:  
A. Mrs. Viramontes made a motion to approve the North Valley Elementary Irrigation Well.
- Discussion  
SREB Instructional  
Audit Results 10. Discussion Items:  
A. Mrs. Hernandez, Mr. Araujo, and Mr. Wohlgemuth presented information on the SREB Instructional Audit Results.  
B. Mrs. Villarreal presented information on the Monthly Budget Report For The Month Ended October 31, 2021.
- Monthly Budget  
Report For The  
Month Ended October  
31, 2021
- Adjourn 11. Mrs. Viramontes made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Superintendent Dempsey recommended approval of the motion. Motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 6:58 p.m.

SUBMITTED BY:

APPROVED BY:

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Jennifer Viramontes, School Board Secretary

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Laura Salazar Flores, School Board President

Minutes taken by MaryLou Delgado