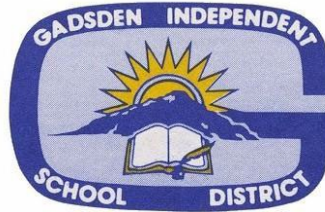


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## **REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES**

*For October 20, 2022*

Introduction  
And Roll Call

1. The Gadsden School Board convened in a regular session at 5:02 p.m. President Salazar Flores presided at the meeting held at the Desert View Elementary School.

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

Pledge &  
Mission Statement

2. The Pledge of Allegiance and the Pledge to the New Mexico flag were led by Abraham Morales, Denise Coronado, Megan Chavez, and Kylie Hidalgo.

Superintendent's  
Report

3. Superintendent District updates and recognitions:
  - A. Superintendent Dempsey introduced Jerry Pacheco, President of the Santa Teresa Charitable Foundation. Mr. Pacheco introduced his staff; Susy Cisneros, Priscilla Gurrola, Josh Orozco, and Ilse Arreola. Priscilla, Chair Woman, gave an overview of the Santa Teresa Charitable Foundation. She stated it was incorporated in 2015; however, they have been raising money since 2002. They are a 501C3 non-profit organization and the mission is to improve the future opportunities for youth through the funding of educational programs in New Mexico here in the community.
  - B. Lieutenant Ortega gave an update on the Law Enforcement Appreciation Night in recognizing the first responders from our community during the Chaparral High School at Santa Teresa High School football game as they sign a response declaration supporting all campuses in the Gadsden ISD during the halftime ceremony on Friday, October 28, 2022.
  - C. Principal Legarreta at Gadsden High School recognized Mrs. Vicky Aranda as the fourth finalist for the New Mexico Teacher of the Year.
  - D. Student Representative-Dante Flores, a sophomore from Santa Teresa High School, thanked the administrators for getting the

intercom system working. The National Honor Society inducted 20 new members. Santa Teresa football team will be hosting the helmet game this Friday against Gadsden High School. The boys' soccer team won the district championship game. He also reported that they have 235 students with Perfect Attendance. Some issues that the administrators are tackling is the number of tardies and the smoking problem in the bathrooms. NJROTC is currently preparing for its third drill competition. Lastly, they are preparing to take the PSAT next week.

- E. Mrs. Murillo thanked Assistant Principal Frias for her hospitality. She stated she attended the NMSBA Region VII in Ruidoso and it was nice to see the way they exposed their Native American Culture. She asked parents to please stay informed on Remind that is sent out for their information. She thanked the Santa Teresa Charitable Foundation for their partnership. She announced that City of Sunland Park will be hosting a Fall Festival at the Sports Complex. There will be food, games, and activities for the community. She stated that La Union Elementary will be hosting Red Ribbon Parade next week and she is excited to see all those agencies helping and being a part of the community.

Mr. Cano also thanked Assistant Principal Frias for her hospitality. He congratulated Mrs. Aranda for being the fourth finalist for New Mexico Teacher of the Year. He wishes both Gadsden and Santa Teresa football team the best of luck and may the best win.

Mr. Castillo also thanked Assistant Principal Frias for her hospitality. He stated that the Santa Teresa Charitable Foundation have done an awesome job. He congratulated Mrs. Aranda and thanked her for her hard work.

Mrs. Rodriguez also congratulated Mrs. Aranda. She thanked the Principals for everything they do as October is National Principal Month. She stated she attend the NMSBA Region VII in Ruidoso. She stated she has been participating in the Parents On Patrol (POPs) Program. She encourages parents to participate in the Coffee with the Principal, Coffee with the Superintendent, and Monday Messages.

President Flores thanked Assistant Principal Frias and the staff of Desert View Elementary for their hospitality. She also congratulated Mrs. Aranda. She stated it was beautiful to watch the Ballet Folklorico dancers perform. She encourages everyone to go out and support the Gadsden and Santa Teresa football teams tomorrow evening at Gadsden Stadium for the Battle of

the Helmet. She congratulated the Gadsden Panther football team as they defeated the Chaparral Lobos. She wished the Gadsden Panther Pride band and Santa Teresa Warrior band as they travel to Thatcher, AZ to compete. She stated she also attended the NMSBA Region VII in Ruidoso. She stated it was very informative and the professional development was on student safety and school safety. She reminded everyone there will be an Equity Council Meeting on Wednesday, October 26<sup>th</sup>, at Gadsden Administrative Complex at 4:30. She also reminded everyone to go out and vote.

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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 accept the agenda as presented. Superintendent Dempsey recommended approval of the motion. Motion carried unanimously.  |
| School Board Minutes  | 6. Mr. Cano made a motion to accept the Regular School Board Minutes for October 6, 2022. Superintendent Dempsey recommended approval of the motion. Motion carried unanimously.   |
| Consent Agenda  | 7. Mr. Castillo 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: None  |
| Action  | 9. Action Items: None  |
| Discussion<br>Legislative Education<br>Study Committee:<br>Assessment Results | 10. Discussion Items:<br>A. Superintendent Dempsey presented information on the Legislative Education Study Committee: Assessment Results. Superintendent Dempsey gave an overview of the recent LESC meeting presentation including NMPED's assessment results. |
| Legislative Priorities:<br>Board Requests                                     | B. Superintendent Dempsey presented information on the Legislative Priorities. Superintendent Dempsey gathered input from board members regarding legislative priorities in preparation for the upcoming legislative session.                                    |
| Adjourn   | 11. Mr. Cano made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Superintendent Dempsey recommended approval of the motion. Motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 6:27 p.m.   |

SUBMITTED BY:

APPROVED BY:

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Claudia Rodriguez, School Board Secretary

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Laura Salazar Flores, School Board President

Minutes taken by MaryLou Delgado