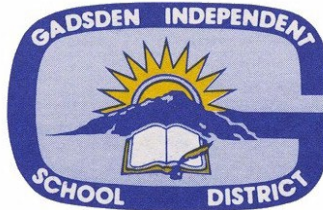


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REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES

For April 27, 2023

Introduction
And Roll Call

1. The Gadsden School Board convened in regular session at 5:02 p.m. President Laura Salazar Flores presided at the meeting held at the Gadsden Administrative Complex.

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 recited. The mission statement was read by Arlean Murillo.

Superintendent's
Report

3. Superintendent District updates and recognitions:
 - A. Mrs. Park, CTE Counselor, introduced the counselors from each high school to recognize the Gadsden Foundation Scholarship Recipients: Counselor Mrs. Cobos from Santa Teresa High School presented the scholarship to Ashley Lugo, Destanie O'Neal, and Karina Soto; Counselor Mrs. Mendoza from Gadsden High School presented the scholarship to Andrea Guzman, Abraham Carreon, and Natalie Fraire; Counselor Mrs. Walp from Desert Pride Academy presented the scholarship to Savanna Martinez and Jeanelle Marquez; Counselor Mrs. Alvarez from Chaparral High School presented the scholarship to Haley Sanchez, Jimena Guzman, and Gideon Potts (no show); and Counselor Mrs. Angel from Alta Vista Early College presented the scholarship to Alejandra Cenicerros Sanchez and Victoria Ramos.
 - B. Mrs. Villalobos, Associate Superintendent for Federal Services Support, presented information on the Title I: Back to School Supplies. Mrs. Villalobos explained that Title I funds provided each student Pre K-12 with school supplies, boxes have all been delivered directly to each campus, and supplies should be distributed by July/August.
 - C. Superintendent Dempsey gave an over view of the Update: School Consolidations. He presented that multiple staff meetings have been conducted at Mesquite Elementary and Sunland Park Elementary, multiple community meetings at MQE and SPE, staff members at MQE and SPE have been offered a "Golden Ticket", revised attendance zones and assigned students to MQE and SPE, assigned staff from MQE and SPE to NVE/VE and DVE/RSE, some transition plans have

already started, completed campus walk-throughs at NVE, RSE, DVE, and VE, working on quote for movers, boxes are currently being provided to MQE and SPE, confirming current inventory (chairs, desks, etc.) and in process with relocating two portables.

- D. Student Representative- Paulina Aguilar, a junior from Chaparral High School, reported that they have Criminal Justice and Teacher Cadet students that took their certification exams. The FCCLA team returned from Disney World's Cooking Around the World competition. They earned an award for most creative side dish. National Honor Society hosted the Annual Lobo Egg Hunt on April 8th which was open to the public and was a huge success. The CHS TSA team competed at NMSU and had four first place winners and won several medals for their work. Business Professionals of America is currently in Anaheim, CA at their national competition. The Garden Club hosted its 2nd Annual Earth Day Festival which students enjoyed various outdoor activities and delicious food provided by other clubs and organizations. Prom will be held this Saturday at Grace Gardens. The seniors and juniors took class trip to various college campuses while other students took athletic training trip to Florida and a Science trip to Houston. Senior events are well underway for seniors who are making trips to schools in Chaparral to parade around the hallways for the elementaries followed by graduation cap decorating party, senior sunrise and many other activities. The Lobo cheer team finished fifth place in the state competition. Softball and Baseball have been doing great this season and have had a strong team effort with their last games taking place tomorrow. Track and Field has also been doing great with many lobos qualifying for the state track meet. They will be hosting a track meet on May 6th. Tennis and Golf teams have also been doing well. Tennis qualified for district with a few members being recognized such as Josue Martinez, Isaac De La Cruz, and Vienne Chavira, and Evelyn Montanez. In a different note, Paulina stated the environment at school has been very distracting due to some conflicts between the students.

- E. Mr. Castillo congratulated the recipients for receiving their scholarships.

Mr. Cano thanked the Santa Teresa High School Computer Science team. They put out a tremendous YouTube video on their project. He encourages everybody in the district to vote as they will be traveling to Washington.

Mrs. Rodriguez stated that she attended the Valley Flag Football championship in which many Gadsden students participated. She also encourages everyone to vote for the STHS Samsung Solve for Tomorrow on YouTube. She mentioned that the

Gadsden High School baseball team celebrated and recognized the 1975 Gadsden Baseball State Champs. She stated it was a wonderful event. She stated the Gadsden and Chaparral Culinary participated in the Cook Around the Work Cook-Off

Mrs. Murillo congratulated the scholarship recipients and the STHS band for earning state championship at Albuquerque. She wished a Happy Administrative Professionals Day. She also encourages everyone to vote for STHS Computer Science. She congratulated Gadsden Middle School honor band for advancing to State. She thanked Paulina for her report on Chaparral High School.

President Flores also thanked Paulina for her report. She congratulated the STHS Computer Science. She also congratulated the FCCLA. She stated she is very proud of Santa Teresa band as they placed first and Gadsden Middle School placed third. She thanked Mr. Beach, Coordinator of Cultural Arts, for all his hard work. She wished the secretaries a Happy Administrative Professional's Day.

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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 tabled the April 27, 2023, Regular School Board Minutes due to correction on the date. Superintendent Dempsey recommended approval of the motion. Motion carried unanimously. |
| Consent Agenda | 7. Mrs. Murillo 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: Dolores Nanez addressed the board regarding retention stipend. |
| Action
Berino ES Parking
Lot Rehabilitation | 9. Action Items:
A. Mr. Castillo made a motion to approve the Berino ES Parking Lot Rehabilitation. Superintendent Dempsey recommended approval of the motion. Motion carried unanimously. |
| School Calendar 23-24: Revisions for Budget | B. Mrs. Murillo made a motion to approve the School Calendar 23-24: Revisions for Budget. Superintendent Dempsey recommended approval of the motion. Motion carried unanimously. |

Discussion
Special Board
Meeting: 2023-2024
Operational Budget

10. Discussion Items:

A. Superintendent Dempsey presented information on the Special Board Meeting: 2023-2024 Operational Budget. A Special Board Meeting will be held on May 18, 2023 at 5:00 pm to review and consider approval of the 2023-24 budget.

Student Meal
Allocations

B. Mr. Wohlgemuth, Director for Secondary Schools, presented information on the Student Meal Allocations. He gave an overview of the amount that is provided by the district for student meals while on approved activity trips.

Career Technical
Student Organizations
(CTSO): Travel
Rotations

C. Mr. Wohlgemuth presented information on the Career Technical Student Organizations (CTSO): Travel Rotations. He gave an overview of the current regulations associated with travel options for all CTSO's at the secondary campuses.

2023-24 Budget
Calendar

D. Mrs. Martinez presented information on the 2023-24 Budget Calendar. As part of the budgeting process a Board Workshop is necessary to present and discuss the proposed budget for 2023-24. The district's budget is due to NM PED on or before May 19, 2023. A special board meeting will take place on May 18, 2023 for the approval of the preliminary budget. Also, a Budget Workshop will be held on May 15, 2023.

Upcoming Board
Meetings and Events

11. Superintendent Dempsey announced the upcoming meetings:

- A. Teacher of the Year Ceremony, Friday, May 5 @ 5 pm Grace Gardens
- B. Human Resources Employee Recognition, Tuesday, May 9 @ 3:30 pm Santa Teresa High School
- C. Next Regular Board Meeting: Tuesday, May 9, 2023 (Deadline for Item Requests April 28, 2023)
- D. DACC Commencement, Thursday, May 11 @ 7 pm
- E. Graduation:
 - AVECHS, Friday, May 26 @ 7 pm UTEP Magoffin Auditorium
 - Gadsden High, Saturday, May 27 @ 8 pm UTEP Don Haskins
 - Santa Teresa High, Saturday, May 27 @ 12 pm UTEP Don Haskins Ctr
 - Chaparral High, Saturday, May 27 @ 4 pm UTEP Don Haskins Ctr
 - Desert Pride Academy, Saturday, May 27 @ 8 pm UTEP Don Haskins Ctr
- F. NMSBA Law Conference June 1-3 Albuquerque
- G. NMSBA Leadership Retreat July 13-15 Cloudcroft

- Closed Session 12. 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, and employee issues. Superintendent Dempsey recommended approval of the motion. A roll call vote was taken, Armando Cano, Daniel Castillo, Laura Salazar Flores, Arlean Murillo and Claudia Rodriguez all voted “aye”. Motion carried unanimously. The Board went into Closed Session at 7:08 p.m.
- Reconvene 13. Mrs. Murillo made a motion to reconvene in open session. No action was taken. Motion carried unanimously. The Board reconvened in Open Session at 9:21 p.m.
- Adjourn 14. Mr. Cano made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Superintendent Dempsey recommended approval of the motion. Motion carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 9:22 p.m.

SUBMITTED BY:

APPROVED BY:

Arlean Murillo, School Board Secretary

Laura Salazar Flores, School Board President

Minutes taken by MaryLou Delgado