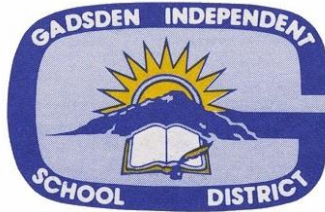


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REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES

For August 14, 2014

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| Introduction
and
Roll Call | <p>1. The Gadsden School Board convened in regular session at 5:00 p.m. President Daniel Castillo presided at the meeting held at the Gadsden Administrative Complex Board Room.</p> <p>Members present: Daniel Castillo, Craig Ford, and Gloria Irigoyen. Maria Saenz arrived at 5:04.
Member absent: Jennifer Viramontes.</p> |
| Pledge &
Mission Statement | <p>2. The Pledge of Allegiance and the Pledge to the New Mexico flag were recited. Mission Statement was read by President Castillo.</p> <p>3. Programs, Reports, and Correspondence:</p> <p>A. Superintendent's Report
Superintendent Yturralde introduced all of the new building level administrators and the new district level administrators.</p> |
| Superintendent's
Report | <p>Superintendent Yturralde presented to the Board for recognition the National Spanish Spelling Bee champion Andres Arreola a seventh grader from Santa Teresa Middle School and the 2nd place winner Judith Villa also from Santa Teresa Middle School. Accompanying the students were their parents, their teacher and coach from Sunland Park Elementary, Mr. Jorge Luis Olivas, and Bilingual Specialist Mr. Jose Reyes.</p> <p>Superintendent Yturralde recognized the principals from Sunland Park, Riverside, Desert Pride and Alta Vista on their efforts to prepare their schools to be able to start on August 11th. He also commended Mr. Chavez, Mr. Holguin and all of the maintenance and custodial staff that worked long hours to prepare the schools.</p> |
| Board President | <p>B. President: President Castillo congratulated Andres and Judith and thanked them for putting themselves and Gadsden on the map. He welcomed the new administrators to the Gadsden family.</p> |
| Board Member's
Reports | <p>C. Board Members:
Vice-President Viramontes-absent</p> <p>Secretary Irigoyen welcomed everyone and congratulated Andres and Judith, thanking them for their hard work. She welcomed new administrators and wished them and everyone a great year.</p> <p>Board Member Saenz apologized for arriving late. She thanked all</p> |

the principals and teachers on doing so well. She congratulated Andres and Judith on their National Spelling Bee championships. She said not to give up and keep doing well.

Board Member Ford congratulated the new administrators and the Spanish Spelling Bee Champions. He said all the schools in Chaparral were doing well, no construction going on. He thanked everyone involved for their efforts to open the four schools that were delayed a week.

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| Student Representative | D. Student Representative – none |
| Personnel Report | E. The personnel report is included for the Board’s information with no action required. |
| Approval of the Agenda | 4. Ms. Irigoyen made a motion to accept the agenda without modification. Superintendent Yturralde recommended approval of the motion. Motion carried unanimously. |
| School Board Minutes | 5. Mr. Ford made a motion to approve the July 24, 2014 board meeting minutes. Superintendent Yturralde recommended approval of the motion. Motion carried unanimously. |
| Consent Agenda | 6. Ms. Saenz made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented. Superintendent Yturralde recommended approval of the motion. Motion carried unanimously. |
| Open Forum | 7. Open Forum:
Mr. Jack Valencia, South Central Regional Transit Project Manager provided information on free transportation to the public within our communities in the district. |
| Action | 8. Action Items: |
| DACC Course Articulation Agreement – 2014-2015 | A. Ms. Irigoyen made a motion to approve the Doña Ana Community College Course Articulation Agreement, 2014-2015. Superintendent Yturralde recommended approval of the motion. Motion carried unanimously. |
| Amend Policy IKEB Acceleration | B. Mr. Ford made a motion to approve the amendment to Policy IKEB Acceleration. Superintendent Yturralde recommended approval of the motion. Motion carried unanimously. |
| Open Meetings Resolution | C. Ms. Saenz made a motion to approve the Open Meetings Resolution. Superintendent Yturralde recommended approval of the motion. Motion carried unanimously. |
| Resolution Authorizing Notice of Issuance and Sale of \$9,500,000 General Obligation School Bonds, Series 2014 | D. Paul Cassidy from RBC Marketing was present to review the information for the issuance and sale of the \$9,500,000. Mr. Ford made a motion to approve the Resolution Authorizing Notice of Issuance and Sale of \$9,500,000 General Obligation School Bonds, Series 2014. Superintendent Yturralde recommended approval of the motion. Motion carried unanimously. |
| Discussion | 9. Discussion Items |
| Contract with F.Y.I. For Y.E.S. - Youth Employment Success Program | A. Mrs. Isabel Armendariz-Casaus, Program Supervisor with Families and Youth Incorporated gave information on the proposed Youth Employment Success (Y.E.S.) Program which targets at-risk |

youth and offers pre-employment training, paid/unpaid work experiences, case management, supportive services, and follow-up services after the student completes the program. Optimal outcomes include: permanent employment, educational attainment and job search development skills. All services are provided in Doña Ana and Luna Counties. She said the program is funded by the Workforce Investment Act, under the Southwestern Area Workforce Development Board.

Revisit Rezoning of
LUE and STE
Attendance Zones

B. Mr. Chavez presented updated information on the proposed rezoning of the attendance zones for La Union Elementary and Santa Teresa Elementary schools due to the increased development in the Santa Teresa Elementary attendance zone.

Meal Prices for Alta
Vista Early College
High School

C. Demetrious Giovas, Student Nutrition Director presented information for the student meals for Alta Vista Early College. AVECHS does not qualify for free meals under Provision 2. The student meals for the 2014-2015 school will cost for regular priced breakfast \$1.00 and lunch \$2.00 and for reduced priced breakfast \$.30 and lunch \$.40. Permission was received for meals to be provided free for the first 30 days.

August 28, Regular
Board Meeting
Change of Venue

D. Superintendent Yturralde informed the Board that due to the recent HVAC construction at Riverside Elementary the school was not completely ready to host the August 28th board meeting and he was recommending a location switch with the October 23rd board meeting at Desert Trail.

Closed Session

10. Closed Session:

Mr. Ford 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 for the purpose of discussion of limited personnel matters, legal matters subject to attorney-client privilege concerning threatened or pending litigation, and student identifiable matters pursuant to NMSA 1978 Section 10-15-1 (H-2), (H-4), and (H-7). Superintendent Yturralde recommended approval of the motion. Motion carried unanimously. The Board went into Closed Session at 6:14 p.m.

Reconvene

11. Ms. Irigoyen made a motion to reconvene in open session. Ms. Saenz seconded the motion. Secretary Irigoyen took roll; all board members were present with Mrs. Viramontes joining the meeting via teleconference. President Castillo announced that the Board had met in closed session to communicate with the Board's legal counsel on threatened litigation. Mrs. Viramontes participated via teleconference. The Board did not take any action in closed session and did not discuss any other matters.

The Board reconvened in Open Session at 7:12 p.m.

Open Session

A. Ms. Irigoyen made a motion to pay former employee Lucia Servin thru the Ben Furth Law Firm the sum of \$65,000 to settle all threatened litigation and claims against the District for a full and complete release of all claims as required and in a form approved by legal counsel to be executed before payment. The motioned was seconded by Ms. Saenz. There being no further discussion, a roll call vote was taken by Secretary Irigoyen. Daniel Castillo, Craig Ford, Gloria Irigoyen, Maria Saenz and Jennifer Viramontes all voted for the motion. Motion carried unanimously. President Castillo asked Superintendent Yturralde to complete the settlement with the District's legal counsel.

Adjourn

12. Ms. Irigoyen made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Superintendent Yturralde recommended approval of the motion. Motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

SUBMITTED BY:

APPROVED BY:

Gloria Irigoyen, School Board Secretary

Daniel Castillo, School Board President

Minutes taken by Elisa Saéñz