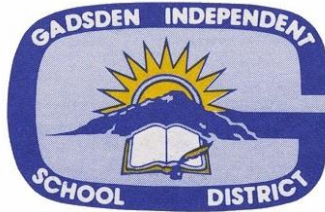


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**REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES**  
***For October 8, 2015***

Introduction  
and  
Roll Call

1. The Gadsden School Board convened in regular session at 5:00 p.m. President Saenz presided at the meeting held at the Gadsden Administrative Complex Board Room.

Members present: Daniel Castillo, Daniel Estupiñan, Craig Ford, Maria Saenz and Jennifer Viramontes.

Pledge &  
Mission Statement

2. The Pledge of Allegiance and the Pledge to the New Mexico flag recited. The mission statement was read by Secretary Viramontes.

3. Programs, Reports, and Correspondence:
  - A. Superintendent's Report

Superintendent's  
Report

Associate Superintendent Susan Yturralde introduced Ms. Robbie Larriva, coordinator for the Battle of the Books. Ms. Larriva presented for board recognition Abigail Rodriguez, a student from Desert View Elementary. Abigail was on the team that placed third. Ms. Larriva presented Alyssa Huckabee, a student from La Union Elementary. Alyssa was on the team that placed first. Ms. Larriva presented both students a tote bag with books.

Board President

Mrs. Rosalinda Rodriguez, Santa Teresa High School Assistant Principal introduced senior Isai Lopez. Isai gave school board members a power point presentation on the Warrior Rewards application that he created. The application is available on Google Play Store, and will soon be available on Apple iTunes within the next two weeks. Points can be traded in for gift cards.

- B. President Saenz said she had attended a Gadsden Foundation meeting and that the Foundation is planning to do a campaign to accrue more funds for scholarships. She encourages every employee to do direct payroll deduction.

Board Member's  
Reports

- C. Board Members:
  - A. Vice-President Ford – no comments or report.

Secretary Viramontes said she and Ms. Saenz had attended an Audit Committee meeting earlier in the week. She said the district is doing better than the rest of the state and commended Mr. Suggs and the Finance department on a great job of staying on top of things. Mrs. Viramontes attended an NMAA Commission meeting where ranking of schools was discussed for next year. She is hoping that our three high schools, two in 5A and one in 6A stay in

that rank, otherwise it would mean further travels for games.

Board Member Estupiñan – no comments or report.

Board Member Castillo – no comments or report.

D. Student Representative –Tommy Cano a senior from Gadsden High School. Tommy reported that GHS is getting used to a seven period day. Counselors are meeting with students and offering after school tutoring to help them with the Science SBA. Volleyball is doing well, girl’s soccer is struggling, boy’s soccer is doing good and football starts in district play next week against Las Cruces. Tommy said he is looking forward to his senior year playing basketball and encourages everyone to attend the games.

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| Personnel Report  | E. The personnel report is included for the Board’s information with no action required.  |
| Approval of the Agenda                                    | 4. Mr. Ford made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Superintendent Yturralde recommended approval of the motion. Motion carried.  |
| School Board Minutes                                      | 5. Mr. Castillo made a motion to approve the September 24, 2015 Special School Board meeting minutes. Superintendent Yturralde recommended approval of the motion. Motion carried.  |
| Consent Agenda  | 6. Mrs. Viramontes made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented. Superintendent Yturralde recommended approval of the motion. Motion carried.   |
| Open Forum  | 7. Open Forum: None   |
| Action  | 8. Action Items: None   |
| Discussion  | 9. Discussion Items:  |
| Monthly Budget Report for the Month Ended August 31, 2105 | A. Ludym Martinez, Financial Operations Director, presented information on the monthly budget report for the month ending August 31, 2015.  |
| Collective Bargaining Agreement                           | B. Barbara Browder, Associate Superintendent for Human Resources accompanied by Dolores Nañez, President for AFT, Local 4212 presented information on the items that they had discussed during their negotiation meetings.  |
| Closed Session  | 10. Closed Session:<br>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 employee issues. Superintendent Yturralde recommended approval of the motion. Motion carried unanimously. The Board went into Closed Session at 5:37 p.m. |
| Reconvene   | 11. Mr. Ford made a motion to reconvene in open session. No action was taken. Superintendent Yturralde recommended approval of the motion. Motion carried. The Board reconvened in Open Session at 6:15 p.m.  |

Adjourn

12. Mrs. Viramontes made a motion to adjourn the meeting.  
Superintendent Yturralde recommended approval of the motion.  
Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 6:16 p.m.

SUBMITTED BY:

APPROVED BY:

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Jennifer Viramontes, School Board Secretary

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Maria E. Saenz, School Board President

Minutes taken by Elisa Saénz