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REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES

For March 8, 2018

1. The Gadsden School Board convened in regular session at 5:06 p.m. Vice-President Castillo presided at the meeting held at the Gadsden Administrative Complex.

Introduction
And Roll Call

Members present: Daniel Castillo, Daniel Estupiñan, Laura Salazar Flores, and Maria Saenz.

Members absent: Jennifer Viramontes

Pledge &
Mission Statement

2. The Pledge of Allegiance and the Pledge to the New Mexico flag were recited. The mission statement was read by Daniel Estupiñan.

3. Superintendent District updates and recognitions:
 - A. Mrs. De la Garza recognized Janet Mendoza as the Dona Ana County Outstanding AVECHS Student of the Month. She stated that Dona Ana County Commission Chairwoman Isabella Solis has launched a monthly student recognition program for 9th grade students in the Las Cruces and Gadsden School Districts who exemplify character, citizenship, service or leadership within our school. Ninth grade teachers recognize an outstanding 9th grade student and submits their name, photo, and a brief biography. Their banner is displayed in the Dona Ana County building and donated to the school. Janet Mendoza is that outstanding 9th grade student. Janet belongs to the Yearbook Club, Student Council, and is President of the Class of 2021. She also participates with NHS volunteering with our neighboring school, Berino Elementary. Janet's goal is to pursue a nursing degree and her motto is "Difficult is not an excuse for failure". She lives in Anthony with her parents, two older sisters, and two younger siblings. Her mom is a 5th grade teacher at La Union Elementary and her dad is a plumber in the community, one of her sisters, Julie, was a Class of 2017 graduate from Alta Vista Early College High School.
 - B. Mrs. Leal recognized the Gadsden High School Business Professionals of America National Qualifiers. She announced that all students placed first or second in their categories qualifying them for Nationals in Dallas, TX in May. A special

Superintendent's
Report

thank you to their supportive parents and congratulations to the students for their hard work and dedication. Daphne Vasquez placed 1st in Website Design Team. Xavier Rodriguez placed 1st in Website Design Team. Crystal Sanchez placed 2nd in Office Systems and Procedures and placed 2nd in Advanced Word Processing Skills. Jason Pena placed 1st in Java Programming, 1st in C++ Programming, and 2nd place in Computer Programming Concepts. Cristina Esparza placed 1st in Business Meeting Management and 2nd Place in Advanced Spreadsheet Applications. Arlette Mancinas placed 1st in Office Systems and Procedures and placed 3rd in Advanced Word Processing Skills.

- C. Superintendent Dempsey presented Western New Mexico University Partnership. He stated that he got to meet with the president of Western New Mexico University and started working on possibilities of partnership. They offered four full ride scholarships for each of the high schools.
- D. Mrs. Flores reported that she is grateful for Gadsden, Canutillo ISD, and Anthony ISD for working together to provide Dual Language training to our Dual Language teachers. She got the privilege to attend on Friday that was available for administrators and board members and she really enjoyed it. She stated that she is always about learning. She would encourage all Dual Language teachers and parents to purchase a book "Why Dual Language".

Ms. Saenz reported that it was very productive. She was very pleased that this is now nation-wide. She would like to share the book with the other members of the board to be informed.

Mr. Estupiñan reported on two bills that were signed by the government. Matthew Madrid from Gadsden High School was at the round house and he was advocating for Senate Bill 140 which was the first major over haul Lottery Scholarship. The Bill passed 65 to 0 in the House and passed 34 to 1 in the Senate and was signed by the governor yesterday. Thanks to Matthew Madrid, it will affect 26,000 students throughout New Mexico. He reported House Bill of 98 which was not expected to be signed by the governor which is called the Local Elections Act. Mr. Estupiñan stated that usually, school board elections are always held in March, however, Ms. Saenz, Mr. Castillo, and I are up for re-election next February. The Legislator decided to consolidate all non-part of the elections into one election and in 2017 the Bill passed the House by the Senate and the Governor pocket vetoed. This year it passed the House, passed the Senate and was signed by the governor at the very last minute. Instead of the terms ending next March, they will now be leaving December 31, 2019.

Vice President Castillo had nothing to report.

E. Student Representative-Emily Radell, a senior from Chaparral High School. Emily stated that last week they had Access Testing and Mock PARCC Exams. Spring Sports have begun. Varsity Softball placed 2nd in the Loretto/Bowie Tournament in February and JV Softball placed 3rd in the Gadsden Tournament in early March. Tennis had their first match this past week. Track is doing well which Abel Martinez qualified for State at the first track meet of the season. Cheerleading placed 2nd at their last competition. The new gym is set to be finished in March. The band program received a \$2000 grant from the Grammy's Museum which is the only school in New Mexico to receive this award. Four students qualified and went to All-State. National Honor Society members volunteered in the Gadsden Literacy Festival in early February. Also, inductions were held March 1st. Chaparral High School is hosting a blood drive March 21st for United Blood Services. Thirty-five BPA members qualified and competed at State February 21st-24th. Twenty-two qualified for Nationals in Dallas on May 9th-13th for the following: Broadcast News Team, Media Production Team, Small Business Management and Open Events and Various Others. Culinary Arts competed this past weekend in Albuquerque and did very well. FCCLA and Skills USA are set to compete at State soon. The Talent Show was held March 7th and included performances by a local elementary school's Ballet Folklorico Program. Our Media Production team is scheduled to create a video on gun violence in schools to address the shootings in Florida and any other concerns. Questions and Answers/Interview will air on March 14th.

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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. Estupiñan made a motion to accept the agenda as presented. Superintendent Dempsey recommended approval of the motion. Motion carried unanimously. |
| School Board Minutes | 6. Ms. Saenz made a motion to approve the February 22, 2018 Regular School Board Minutes. Superintendent Dempsey recommended approval of the motion. Motion carried unanimously. |
| Consent Agenda | 7. Mrs. Flores made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Superintendent Dempsey recommended approval of the motion. Motion carried unanimously. |
| Open Forum | 8. Open Forum: None |
| Action | 9. Action Items: None |

Monthly Budget
Report For The
Month Ended January
31, 2018

Anthony Charter
School Presentation

NMSBA Student
Achievement Awards

Facilities

School Security

Budget Calendar

Memorandums of
Understanding

Graduation Rates

Closed Session

10. Discussion Items:

- A. Mrs. Villarreal presented information on the Monthly Budget Report For The Month Ended January 31, 2018.
- B. Charles Wendler presented information on the Anthony Charter School.
- C. Superintendent Dempsey presented information on the NMSBA Student Achievement Awards. This award program seeks to promote student achievement in school districts and assist local school boards in recognizing school leaders, staff and other individuals who have played an important role in improving student achievement at the local level. Superintendent Dempsey is asking for direction from the board members on how these individuals are selected and if the board plans on giving more than one award.
- D. Mr. Holguin presented information on the Facilities. Attached is a master list of construction related projects that are reviewed during the February regular meeting. The goal is to ensure the board approves and is aware of all projects being planned/completed in the district.
- E. Superintendent Dempsey presented information on the School Security. Attached is a draft of the tools and practices currently in place to ensure schools are safe and secure.
- F. Superintendent presented information on the Budget Calendar. Timeline is associated with the development of the 2018-2019 Operational Budget.
- G. Mrs. Lindau presented information on the Memorandums of Understanding. As a general practice and in accordance with current GISD policy any memorandums of understanding with outside agencies require the outside agencies to ensure personnel hold appropriate licensure and have a minimum of a Bachelor's Degree.
- H. Mrs. Casillas presented information on Graduation Rates.

11. Closed Session

Ms. Saenz 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, employee issues. Superintendent Dempsey recommended approval of the motion. A roll call vote was taken, Daniel Castillo, Daniel Estupiñan, Laura Salazar Flores, and Maria

Saenz all voted aye. Motion carried unanimously. The Board went into Closed Session at 8:09 p.m.

Reconvene 12. Ms. Saenz made a motion to reconvene in open session. No action was taken. Superintendent Dempsey recommended approval of the motion. Motion carried unanimously. The Board reconvened in Open Session at 9:32 p.m.

Adjourn 13. Ms. Saenz made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Superintendent Dempsey recommended approval of the motion. Motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 9:33 p.m.

SUBMITTED BY:

APPROVED BY:

Daniel Estupiñan, School Board Secretary

Jennifer Viramontes, School Board President

Minutes taken by MaryLou Delgado