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## REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES

For June 11, 2020

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

Introduction
And Roll Call

Members present: Armando Cano, Daniel Castillo, Laura Salazar Flores, Claudia Rodriguez, and Jennifer Viramontes.

Pledge & Mission Statement

- 2. The Pledge of Allegiance and the Pledge to the New Mexico flag was recited. Laura Salazar Flores read the mission statement.
- 3. Superintendent District updates and recognitions:
  - A. Superintendent Dempsey postponed the NMSBA Scholarship Recipient.
  - B. Mrs. Lopez, Principal of Chaparral High School, presented information on the Graduation Ceremonies. She stated that a location has been chosen at the Vado Speedway. Graduations will be held on July 14-16. She stated the principals toured the facility and felt that it provides the best opportunity to either have a drive-thru graduation or provides to have a staging area to have the seniors walk across the stage. Gadsden High School on July 14<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 pm.; Santa Teresa High School on July 15<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 pm.; Alta Vista Early College on July 16<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.; and Chaparral High School on July 16<sup>th</sup> at 8:30 p.m.

Superintendent's Report

C. Mrs. Nouges, Athletic Director, presented information on the NMAA Update. She reported that Gadsden athletic teams are allowed to report back to their campuses for summer workouts beginning July 6<sup>th</sup>. NMAA has developed very specific plans that outline the return to playing procedures. The plans include entering and exiting the facilities, social distancing, appropriate cleaning of the facilities, following the athlete to coach ratio as outlined by the state and NMAA, as well as documenting attendance, temperature, pod groups, and wellness questions on a daily basis. She stated she is in contact with NMAA on a regular basis and we are adjusting and adapting as the state and NMAA advices.

- D. Superintendent Dempsey presented information on the Training Planned for Negotiations Process. He explained Article 26-Negotiating Procedures and is working with one of the district attorneys to help design a training in order that all parties associated will understand the process and review and update forms.
- E. Mrs. Rodriguez stated that she, along with parents, are frustrated with graduation with everything that is happening, however, she stated it was very neat to see many of the seniors on Wednesday at Gadsden High School for distribution of senior t-shirts and yard signs. She stated she is looking forward to recognizing the NMSBA Scholarship Recipient at a later time.

Mr. Castillo stated everyone is getting through this pandemic as best as possible.

Mr. Cano thanked Mrs. Lovelace and the staff at Santa Teresa Middle School. They recognized A and B Honor Roll students through Facebook. Also, he recognized three middle school students for entering their freshmen year and to the Class of 2020.

Mrs. Flores thanked Superintendent Dempsey for allowing the board members to participate in the senior t-shirt and yard sign distribution. She thanked all the administrators for the YouTube video and Mrs. Hernandez for posting in honoring their 8<sup>th</sup> graders as they move on to high school. She stated it was awesome to see a student from Chaparral High School go up to Mr. Martinez, assistant principal, and share the difference he made in his life.

President Viramontes thanked all the seniors she was able to see during the distribution. She stated her vision was to have every Gadsden student have a yard sign representing Gadsden and how proud we are that they are graduating and going on to having a great future. She thanked Mary Lou Delgado and Abby Oliva for organizing the distribution. She also thanked the graduation committee for organizing graduation. She stated we want to do the best we can to recognize our seniors and give them a celebration the best they well deserve! She congratulated the NMSBA Scholarship recipient. She thanked everyone for being patient with the board members as we go through this pandemic.

4. The personnel report is included for the Board's information with no action required.

Personnel Report

Approval of the Agenda

5. Mr. Castillo made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Superintendent Dempsey recommended approval of the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

**School Board Minutes** 

6. Mrs. Flores made a motion to accept the Regular School Board Minutes for May 21, 2020. Superintendent Dempsey recommended approval of the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Consent Agenda

Open Forum

7. Mr. Cano made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented. Superintendent Dempsey recommended approval of the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

8. Open Forum: Vicky Kyrimis addressed the school year 2020-21 plan on what parents and students should expect.

Action RFP For The 5 Year Facility Master Plan

- 9. Action Items:
  - A. Mrs. Flores moved to approve the RFP For The 5 Year Facility Master Plan. Superintendent Dempsey recommended approval of the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Approval Of The 2020-21 Budget

B. Mr. Castillo moved to approve the Approval Of The 2020-21 Budget. Mrs. Martinez explained that The GISD of Education is required to approve the 2020-21 District Operating Budget in accordance with Sections 22-8-10, 22-8-11 and 22-8-41, N.M.S.A., 1978 Compilation. In accordance with this requirement, the 2020-21 Operating Budget is presented for approval. PED may require further changes, however, the Board is required to submit approval of the proposed budget prior to June 20, 2020. Superintendent Dempsey recommended approval of the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

School Resource Officer Contract with Sunland Park Police Department

C. Mrs. Flores moved to approve the School Resource Officer Contract with Sunland Park Police Department pending the MOU. Superintendent Dempsey explained that this would be an agreement between Gadsden ISD and the Sunland Park Police Department to provide one school resource officer during the 2020-2021 school year. The primary location would be Santa Teresa Middle School and elementary schools in the City of Sunland Park. Superintendent Dempsey recommended approval of the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Employee Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) Regulation

D. Mr. Castillo moved to table item 9D Employee Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) Regulation. Superintendent recommended approval of the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion Review Of 2020-21 School Calendar

- 10. Discussion Items:
  - A. Superintendent Dempsey presented information on the Review Of 2020-21 School Calendar. He stated the purpose is to point out some of the items within our current calendar and how we move forward for next fiscal year. Superintendent Dempsey suggested a special board meeting for July 9<sup>th</sup> to review specifically for the reopening plan. He stated by then the committee would gather parent input and hopefully the state

will have provided their guidance. Three choices would be 1. On-line platform 2. Hybrid 3. Face-to Face.

B. Mrs. Martinez presented information on the Monthly Budget Report For The Month Ended April 30, 2020.

Monthly Budget Report For The Month Ended April 30, 2020

**Closed Session** 

11. Closed Session

Mrs. Flores 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 issue such as: employees on administrative leave with pay, employee grievances, and employee issues, superintendent's evaluation, and meet with legal counsel to discuss threatened litigation as permitted under Section 10-15-1 (H)(7) of the New Mexico Open Meetings Act. Superintendent Dempsey recommended approval of the motion. A roll call vote was taken, Daniel Castillo, Laura Salazar Flores, Claudia Rodriguez, and Jennifer Viramontes all voted "aye". Motion carried unanimously. The Board went into Closed Session at 6:49 p.m.

Reconvene

12. Mrs. Flores made a motion to reconvene in open session. No action was taken during closed session. Superintendent Dempsey recommended approval of the motion. Motion carried unanimously. The Board reconvened in Open Session at 9:52 p.m.

Adjourn

13. Mrs. Rodriguez made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Superintendent Dempsey recommended approval of the motion. Motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 9:53 p.m.

SUBMITTED BY:	APPROVED BY:
Laura Salazar Flores, School Board Secretary	Jennifer Viramontes, School Board President
Minutes taken by MaryLou Delgado	