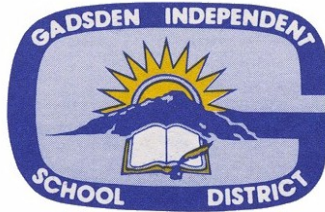


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REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES

For April 8, 2021

Introduction
And Roll Call

1. The Gadsden School Board convened in regular session at 5:09 p.m. President Salazar Flores presided at the meeting held at the Gadsden Administrative Complex.

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. Jennifer Viramontes read the mission statement.

3. Superintendent District updates and recognitions:

- A. Mrs. Hernandez, Director of Secondary Instructional Support, recognized two students for being selected for the Daniel Fund Scholarship Award: Juan Ernesto Diaz from Gadsden High and Jazlyn Sherlyn Montiel from Alta Vista Early College High School.

- B. Student Representative-Crystal Sanchez, a senior from Gadsden High School stated that she was one of the few students that opted to go back to school. She stated that it was the best decision she made this whole year. Gadsden High School competed in Volleyball and Football effectively. Basketball season is about to begin. Lastly, seniors are ready to graduate.

Superintendent's
Report

- C. Mrs. Viramontes stated she is glad to hear from Crystal Sanchez on how its been for the last six weeks. She stated she contacted her schools and most common theme was teachers were so glad to see some students back. She congratulated all the Fall Athletes. She stated she attended the Career Fair at Santa Teresa High School.

Mr. Castillo congratulated Crystal Sanchez as she commented that going back to school was the best decision made.

Mr. Cano dittoed the comments from Mrs. Viramontes and Mr. Castillo. He stated it was a great way the district entered the school year. He congratulated the Daniel Fund Scholarship recipients.

Mrs. Rodriguez stated it is great to be back. She congratulated Mr. Wohlgemuth, Principal at Santa Teresa High School, and staff for hosting a Career Fair. Former graduates from Santa Teresa High School presented and was very inspiring to hear the challenges they went through. She stated she attended a Teacher/Student Round Table that Student Council from Gadsden High School held and stated it was very inspiring. She reminded parents to log into Coffee with the Principal, Coffee with the Superintendent, and Weekly Wrap Up as it is very informative.

President Flores thanked the staff from Gadsden ISD for their dedication and preparation in order to make a full re-entry. She thanked the parents and/or guardians for sending their children back to school. She stated she virtually attended the National School Board Association Annual Conference.

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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 approve the agenda as presented. Superintendent Dempsey recommended approval of the motion. Motion carried unanimously. |
| School Board Minutes | 6. Mrs. Rodriguez made a motion to accept the Regular School Board Minutes for March 11, 2021. Superintendent Dempsey recommended approval of the motion. Motion carried unanimously. |
| Consent Agenda | 7. Mrs. Viramontes made a motion to accept the consent agenda as presented. Superintendent Dempsey recommended approval of the motion. Motion carried unanimously. |
| Open Forum | 8. Open Forum: Joseph Sapien from STTE Foundation addressed to the Board on STTE's free programs for school districts. |
| Action
STHS 200 Wing &
Library HVAC
Project | 9. Action Items:
A. Mrs. Viramontes made the motion to table Item 9A STHS 200 Wing & Library HVAC Project. Mr. Gallegos requested to table the item due some information that needs to be clarified. Superintendent Dempsey recommended approval of the motion. Motion carried unanimously. |

Discussion
Mesquite Bus Drop
Off Repaving Project

Re-entry Plan

Proposed
Organizational Chart
(GAC)

Closed Session

Reconvene

Adjourn

10. Discussion Items:

- A. Mr. Gallegos presented information on the Mesquite Bus Drop Off Repaving Project.
- B. Superintendent Dempsey presented information on the Re-entry Plan.
- C. Superintendent Dempsey presented information on the Proposed Organizational Chart (GAC). He explained the purpose of reorganizing is to create a more equitable structure that is poised to respond to the needs of our students in a timely manner.

11. Closed Session

- A. 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 issue 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, Claudia Rodriguez, and Jennifer Viramontes all voted "aye". Motion carried unanimously. The Board went into Closed Session at 6:32 p.m.

- 12. Mr. Castillo 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 7:38 p.m.

- 13. Mrs. Viramontes made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Superintendent Dempsey recommended approval of the motion. Motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 7:39 p.m.

SUBMITTED BY:

APPROVED BY:

Jennifer Viramontes, School Board Secretary

Laura Salazar Flores, School Board President

Minutes taken by MaryLou Delgado