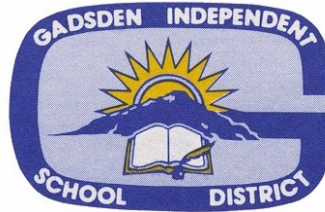


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**REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES**  
*For April 22, 2021*

Introduction  
And Roll Call

1. The Gadsden School Board convened in regular session at 5:02 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. Daniel Castillo read the mission statement.

Superintendent's  
Report

3. Superintendent District updates and recognitions:
  - A. Mr. Gallegos, Executive Director for Energy Management & Construction, recognized the Point of Distribution (POD) Workers helping out with the distributions of COVID vaccines.
  - B. Mr. Giron, Principal at Gadsden High School, recognized NJROTC Cadet-Cruz Nuñez who earned two recognitions: Top Senior for Area 9 and Area 9 winner of the Gilliam Academic Achievement Award. Mr. Nuñez was one of 11 seniors chosen nationwide. Additionally, GHS NJROTC program has been recognized in the New Mexico Nautical five years in a row and the Most Outstanding unit for Area 9 for the 2019-2020 school year.
  - C. Mrs. Gentzler, Assistant Principal at Santa Teresa High School, recognized the STHS CTE state competition winners:  
SKILLS USA  
3-D Visualization and Animation-GOLD: Nathaniel Moreno and Isaia Lozano; SILVER-James McNellis and Romero Sebastian; BRONZE-Cristina Cervantes and Maximo Reyes.

Architectural Drafting-GOLD: Jimena Garcia; SILVER-Anna Duval; BRONZE-Daphne De Luna

Customer Service-GOLD: Ryan Martinez; BRONZE-Daphne De Luna

Job Interview-BRONZE: Eduardo Sanchez

Technical Drafting-BRONZE: Jose Piña

Criminal Justice-GOLD: Mireya Barrera; SILVER-Adrian Carranza; BRONZE-Kateri Herrera

Crime Scene Investigation-GOLD: Brissa Delgado and Kateri Herrera; SILVER-Karla Alvarez, Beyonce Monroy, and Luz Moreno-Reneau; BRONZE-Mireya Barrera and Abril Correa-Zuñiga

FAMILY, CAREER & COMMUNITY LEADERS OF AMERICA

Food Innovations-GOLD: Haylee Jamison

TECHNOLOGY STUDENT ASSOCIATION

Chapter Team-GOLD: Josue De La O, Paloma Del Valle, Giovanni Fuentes, Ethan Garcia, Leia Keys-Showell, Maggie Salinas

Children's Stories-BRONZE: Maggie Salinas and Gabby Varga

Coding-GOLD: Giovanni Fuentes and Ethan Garcia; SILVER: Josue De La O and Gabby Varga; BRONZE: Xavier Estrada

Computer Aided Design-GOLD: Jordan Tellez

Debating Technological Issues-GOLD: Paloma Del Valle and Giovanni Fuentes; SILVER: Leia Keys-Showell and Gabby Varga

Extemporaneous Speech-GOLD: Paloma Del Valle; SILVER: Leia Keys-Showell

Photographic Technology-BRONZE: Ethan Garcia

Webmaster-GOLD: Josue De La O, Giovanni Fuentes, and Ethan Garcia

2021-22 State Officer President

Nomination: Paloma Del Valle

2021-22 State Officer Vice-President

Nomination: Ethan Garcia

Mr. Giron, Principal at Gadsden High School, recognized the GHS CTSO's recipients:

FCCLA

Mario Beltran and Amber Pastran (Interior Design) and Manny Morales and Miguel Bautista (Entrepreneurship) qualified for the FCCLA Leadership Conference in Nashville, Tennessee.

PRO START

Paul Descoteaux and Damian Soriano will be participating in a paid Internship at Las Campanas Resort and Spa in Santa Fe, New Mexico.

DECA

Buying and Merchandising

Second Place: Jenny Garcia and Monica Trejo

Hospitality & Tourism Professional Selling

First Place: Violet Ramos

Evovement-Statewide Youth Activism Movement

Violet Ramos was asked to represent Evovement during the Virtual Day of Action at the State Capitol on February 2, 2021.

EDUCATORS RISING

Researching Learning Challenges

Third Place: Elycia Urbina, Anyssa Padilla, Clarissa Araiza, Valeria Sanchez.

Lesson Planning and Deliver

Third Place: Jessica Nuñez

Children's Literature Pre-K Bilingual

Second Place: Ariana Almaraz and Crisol Siquieros

Interactive Bulletin Board

First Place: Odeth Varela

ENLACE-COLLEGE SUCCESS

Briana Piñeda-2021 NM Virtual Legislative Internship

Mrs. Lopez, Principal at Chaparral School, recognized the CHS CTSO's National Qualifiers:

BUSINESS PROFESSIONALS OF AMERICA

Digital Marketing Concepts

Third Place: Eileen Sandoval

Management, Marketing and HR Concepts

Third Place: Luis Burciaga-Molina

Information Technology Concepts

Third Place: Emily Sanchez

Computer Programming

Second Place: Luis Aguilar

Information Technology

Second Place: Rafael Ramirez

Digital Communications

Second Place: Yadira Estrada

Management, Marketing

First Place: Luis Aguilar

Medical Terminology

First Place: Emily Sanchez

Computer Programming

First Place: Rafael Ramirez

Broadcast News Production

First Place: Gloria Hernandez, Yadira Estrada, Emily Sanchez, and Christian Gutierrez

Podcast Production

First Place: Eileen Sandoval, Eileen Varela, and Alexander Duron

TECHNOLOGY STUDENT ASSOCIATION

New Mexico State Competition-Top 3 finish in state competition qualifies the student to compete in the national TSA competition in Summer 2021

Forensic Science

Third Place: Kimberly Ochoa and Natalie Ibarra

Debating Technological Issues

Second Place: Audrey Alvarez and Kimberly Ochoa

Forensic Science

Second Place: Janelly Anchando and Haley Sanchez

Photographic Technology II

Second Place: Alexis Orduño

Technology Bowl II

Second Place: Alexis Orduño, Haley Sanchez, and Audrey Alvarez

Forensic Science

First Place: Audrey Alvarez and Ana Terrazas

Promotional Design II

First Place: Alexis Orduño

EDUCATORS RISING

Education Pathway Certifications

Early Care, Education, and Family Support 45-hour-Seniors:

Ashley Agüero, Corinne Arriaga, Jocelyn Balderrama, Alondra Cabral, Guadalupe Cano, Lizbeth Castillo, Zaynab Darwich, Paola Enriquez, David Legarreta, Gabriela Miranda, Valeria Mendez, Veronica Mendez, Patricia Ortiz, and Yahir Reyes

Child Development Precision Exam-Seniors:

Ashley Agüero, Marisol Armendariz, Jocelyn Balderrama, Alondra Cabral, Guadalupe Cano, Lizbeth Castillo, Zaynab Darwich, Veronica Mendez, and Gabriela Miranda

Mrs. De La Garza, Principal at Alta Vista Early College High School, presented that not only does AVEC offer the Associate of Arts and Associate of Science, however, this school year Alta

Vista implemented the CTE Mass Media Creation and will apply for the CTSO membership next school year.

Mrs. Ludwig, Principal at Desert Pride Academy, presented that DPA have started the first CTE program this year in EMT basic program. Next year DPA will be applying and be able to compete. Also, DPA will be adding two more programs: Early Childhood Education and Medical Office Management.

- D. Mrs. Hernandez presented information on the Graduation Update. She explained that all high schools have had their first graduation meetings with parents, UTEP provided COVID-19 guidelines, and updates and overview on changes.
- E. Superintendent Dempsey presented information on the Budget Update. He provided a general summary of the basic elements of GISD's Operational Budget (SEG) as well as legislative actions that impact public school funds and a brief overview of one-time federal funds (ESSR I & II).
- F. Superintendent Dempsey presented information on the Re-entry Update. He provided a summary of Students and Staff Numbers, Communication with Stakeholders, COVID Safe Practices, Preparing for Next Year: 2021-2022, Understanding Contact Tracing, GISD Vaccination Progress, Help Us Move to Green, and Student Attendance.
- G. Mrs. Casillas presented information on the Power School Student Registration. She explained that with PowerSchool online enrollment, the district has moved to an online system that allows parents to register their child with the confidence that data submitted is accurate, increasing student safety and decreasing the possibility of inaccurate information in our Student Information System.
- H. Student Representative-Gloria Hernandez, a senior from Chaparral High School stated that Girls Basketball demonstrated good sportsmanship conduct on court and ended their season well. Baseball also had a success season and won their game against Alamogordo. She stated the clubs and organization have been giving back to the community including donating clothes to the donation center, clean up along the roads, and have a partnership with the art students to remove a graffiti wall to show more spirit and pride. SAT testing has officially ended and EOC's and finals are beginning. Students that have returned to campus have liked the experience and have shown more motivation and staying positive. Senior ceremonies will be held

next month and recognize students for their accomplishments and scholarships they have received.

I. Mr. Cano had nothing to report.

Mrs. Rodriguez thanked everyone for cooperating during this difficult time. She also thanked the nursing department for all their hard work in keeping students and staff safe.

Mr. Castillo thanked all the recipients recognized for the CTSO's and Gadsden High School NJROTC. He thanked Superintendent Dempsey for offering to have a conversation regarding decorating graduation caps.

Mrs. Viramontes thanked all the POD volunteers. She congratulated all the recipients that received awards. She also thanked Superintendent Dempsey for the meetings he has hosted informing parents. She stated she spoke to her schools and thanked the custodians

President Flores gave a shout out to all Administrative Assistant's for their hard work and to all retirees. She thanked the Secondary Principal's for their hard work as they are preparing for graduation.

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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. Viramontes made a motion to accept the Regular School Board Minutes for April 8, 2021. Superintendent Dempsey recommended approval of the motion. Motion carried unanimously.   |
| Consent Agenda                                       | 7. Mr. Castillo 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: Ana Terrazas, Layla Lozano, Aidee Najera, Natalie Paez, Beatriz Flores, Joel Lugo, Gabriela Miranda, Manuel Morales, Crystal Sanchez and Cynthia Ortega addressed to the board consideration to decorate caps for graduation, allow to have cell phones, and dress code. |
| Action<br>STHS 200 Wing &<br>Library HVAC<br>Project | 9. Action Items:<br>A. Mrs. Viramontes made the motion to approve the STHS 200 Wing & Library HVAC Project. Superintendent Dempsey  |

- Regular Board Meeting Schedule For 2021-2022
- recommended approval of the motion. Motion carried unanimously.
- B. Mr. Castillo made the motion to approve the Regular Board Meeting Schedule For 2021-2022. Superintendent Dempsey recommended approval of the motion. Motion carried unanimously.
- Discussion  
2021-2022 Bond Election Proceeds Expenditures
10. Discussion Items:
- A. Mr. Gallegos presented information on the 2021-2022 Bond Election Proceeds Expenditures.
- PSCOC Full-Application for 2021-2022
- B. Mrs. Vela presented information on the PSCOC Full-Application for 2021-2022.
- 2021 Language Arts Instructional Materials
- C. Mr. Lara presented information on the 2021 Language Arts Instructional Materials.
- Post Issuance Compliance Report for GO Bonds
- D. Mrs. Martinez presented information on the Post Issuance Compliance Report for GO Bonds.
- Closed Session
11. Closed Session
- 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.
- Reconvene
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 10:01 p.m.
- Adjourn
13. Mr. Cano made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Superintendent Dempsey recommended approval of the motion. Motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 10:02 p.m.



SUBMITTED BY:

APPROVED BY:

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Jennifer Viramontes, School Board Secretary

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Laura Salazar Flores, School Board President

Minutes taken by MaryLou Delgado