Guadalupe Educational System Inc. Board of Director Meeting Minutes October 24, 2024

The meeting was called to order by the Board President, Beto Lopez, at 4:40pm held in person at GCI Theater and via Zoom. The board members present established a quorum. Mr. Lopez welcomed all those in attendance.

Board Members Present: Beto Lopez Octavio Villalobos Danny Zamora

Claudia Dominguez Nickalas Collins Phyllis Hernandez

Board Members Absent: Manny Medina Jennifer Barraza

Also present:Dr. Alicia MiguelEduardo MendezDr. Steven LumettaChrista BrayJennifer ClayDaisy MyrickDr. Uzziel PecinaBrandon WrightPatricia HernandezAlexandria ThiessenLuis ArresLuis PosadaMchael MeaneyShannon Spradling

Consent Agenda

September 26, 2024 Board Meeting Minutes

October 2024 HR Board Staff Report

September 2024 Financial Statement

September 2024 Check Register

September 2024 Credit Card Statement

Master's Transportation, Bus Purchase

There were no further questions or concerns noted on the Consent Agenda.

Mr. Collins moved to accept the Consent Agenda, Mr. Villalobos seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Employee Handbook SY24/25

Dr. Luetta discussed updates to the employee handbook, which will be submitted for charter commission approval, although no major changes were noted this year.

Mr. Zamora moved to accept the Employee Handbook SY24/25, Mr. Collins seconded the motion. **Motion carried unanimously**.

Bus Routes SY24/25

Dr. Lumetta emphasized the necessity for board approval of bus routes for student transportation to ensure compliance with DESE regulations. Mr. Wright provided insights into the transportation department's operations, noting that most routes are managed internally, with some longer travel times for high school students.

Mr. Villalobos moved to accept the Bus Routes SY24/25, Mr. Collins seconded the motion. **Motion carried unanimously**.

Chief of Schools Report

Principals 60 Second Building Report-

<u>PreK and Kindergarten</u>- Ms. Thiessen stated the PreK students will be taking a field trip to the high school where they are providing trick or treating throughout the school and lunch. This lets the preschoolers have a glance on what they have to look forward to in their education career and give the older kids a sense of responsibility and leadership with their fellow Guadalupe students.

<u>Elementary School</u>, Mr. Arres shared that parent teacher conferences are underway today and are going well and have had great attendance. They are wrapping up the revision of the school improvement plan and want to make sure they are aligned to the current data they have from NWEA.

<u>Middle School</u>, Mr. Posada also stated their parent teacher conferences are going well, this year the students are leading their conferences and sharing with their parents all what they have going on in classes. They are excited to hear feedback from parents.

<u>High School</u>, Mr. Meaney shared that Parent Teacher Organization (PTO) has been selling snacks the past 2 days to help fundraise for PTO. He also congratulated the athletics team as the fall season comes near to an end. He highlighted the cross country team which has boomed this season with close to 40 kids at 1 point this season. They had their conference meet last week and the boys and girls team each took 1st place.

Monthly Celebrations

Dr. Miguel recognized the staff of the month from each building, celebrating their exceptional dedication and positive impact on the community. Staff of the month for October is: Elementary School- Maria Simental-Turner, Middle School-Celeste Pistole, High School- Greg Brenner. Dr. Miguel mentioned going forward they will also spotlight a student from each school building however given the short timeframe this month, they were only able to celebrate 1 student which came from the High School.

By the Numbers- Dr. Miguel noted there are 1,644 students enrolled for the 2024-25 school year and 608 on the waitlist. Enrollment continues as space becomes available.

Old Business

None.

New Business

Mr. Lopez noted there are plans for a board retreat to enhance training and strategic planning, information will be sent to the board members.. Mr. Collins submitted his resignation due to ethical concerns related to his new role.

Public Comment

None.

Executive Session

None.

Adjourn

There being no further information to come before the Board, Mr. Lopez adjourned the meeting at 5:07pm.

Phyllis Hernandez (Nov 21, 2024 17:49 CST)

Respectfully Submitted

Phyllis Hernandez, Board Secretary

The next regular Board of Directors Meeting is scheduled for November 21, 2024.

Minutes prepared by Recorder: Patricia Hernandez, Administrative Assistant to the Chief of Schools.