

Guadalupe Educational System Inc.
Board of Director Meeting Minutes
December 14, 2023

The meeting was called to order by the Board President, Beto Lopez, at 4:30pm in the GCI Theater and Zoom. The board members present established a quorum. Mr. Lopez welcomed all those in attendance.

Board Members Present:	Beto Lopez	Nickalas Collins	Jennifer Barraza
	Corina Guzman	Manny Medina	Octavio Villalobos

Board Members Absent:	Phyllis Hernandez	Rosemary Martin	Dr. Julia Vargas
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Also present:	Dr. Jim Hammen	Eduardo Mendez	Dr. Alicia Miguel	Charlotte Hawkins
Jennifer Clay	Daisy Myrick	Samantha Novak	Dr. Steven Lumetta	Dr. April Soberon
Luis Posada	Michael Meaney	Shannon Spradling	Mark Nasteff	Amy Quinn
James Engelby	Brad Steele	Alex Thiessen		

Mr. Lopez introduced Mr. Brad Steele with Westbrook & Co., P.C. who will present the GES FY23 Audit.

Consent Agenda

November 16, 2023 Board Meeting Minutes
December 2023 HR Board Staff Report
November 2023 Financial Statement
November 2023 Check Register
November 2023 Credit Card Statement

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

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

GES FY23 Audit

Mr. Steele presented and discussed the GES FY23 Audit Report, it was noted to have a clean report.

Mr. Collins moved to accept the GES FY23 Audit, Mr. Medina seconded the motion. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Conscious Discipline Training for PreK

Dr. Hammen discussed Conscious Discipline has been used in PreK for more than a couple of years. Ms Thiessen further explained this training would better equip their staff to handle the social, emotional needs of their students which also align with the trauma smart training. Training would take place on January 2 & 3 during their regular PD days. Mr. Collins moved to accept the Conscious Discipline Training for PreK, Mr. Medina seconded the motion. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Revised Policy 6265 Reading Instruction

Ms. Clay reviewed Policy 6265, the revisions made were to align with Senate Bill 681. Adjustments made include identifying students with reading difficulties and making sure that we are tracking the progress of the students.

Mr. Medina moved to accept the Revised Policy 6265, Mr. Collins seconded the motion. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Special Education Consultation Services

Dr. Hammen discussed the need for Special Education Consultation for the continuation of improvement. Dr. Karla Arnold has a background in special education and has helped a lot of districts as well.

Mr. Medina moved to accept the Special Education Consultation Services with the revision to include the budgeted range and agreement dates, Mr. Collins seconded the motion. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Superintendent Report

60 Second Success-

Dr. Soberon indicated the school had music concerts at every grade level the past 2 days. PreK and kindergarten held their winter performance playing on their violins and 5th grade held their choir concert.

Mr. Posada mentioned they had a successful winter assessment session. They completed the NWEA testing and finished up with Edcite. They're excited to see some of those results. They also held their winter music concert.

Mr. Meaney shared the success story of Danile Ibarra who is one of their current seniors. Mr. Meaney, Ms. Novak and a few other staff were involved in an interview with Joe Arce. It's been news just celebrating Daniel's recent

accomplishment. He was a recipient of the National Quest Bridge Match scholarship, and he was matched with Hamilton College in New York. This scholarship covers full tuition, boarding, travel, it's worth over \$200,000. He plans to become a CRNA Nurse Anesthesiologist.

By The Numbers- Dr. Miguel noted there are 110 new applications. Enrollment will continue through February 29, the lottery will be held on March 4. Overall attendance remains steady at 92%.

Committee Reports

Instructional & Safety Committee- Dr. Hammen stated they did meet. Mr. Collins indicated they thoroughly reviewed the SRO job description.

Finance Committee- Mr. Medina stated they did meet and discussed the SRO job description and audit.

Executive Committee- Dr. Hammen stated they did not meet.

Old Business

None.

New Business

Dr. Hammen stated January 4 will be the first day back from winter break. The mayor's office will be holding Three Kings Day presentation for the PreK. They will receive hats, mittens and a toy. Just a reminder the board retreat will be held on January 27 at GCI in the morning. Mr. Lopez stated they identified a property to grow into, 710 Central in Kansas City. There will possibly be a contract presented at the January board meeting.

Public Comment

None.

Adjournment

There being no further information to come before the Board, Mr. Lopez made the motion to adjourn to end the meeting at 5:46pm, Mr. Medina seconded the motion.

Respectfully Submitted

Phyllis Hernandez, Board Secretary

The next Board of Directors Meeting is scheduled for January 25, 2024

Minutes prepared by Recorder: Patricia Hernandez, Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent.