

Guadalupe Educational System Inc.  
Board of Director Meeting Minutes  
December 19, 2024

The meeting was called to order by the Board President, Beto Lopez, at 4:34pm held 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  
   Jennifer Barraza              Nickalas Collins              Phyllis Hernandez

**Board Members Absent:**      Manny Medina                      Claudia Dominguez

**Also present:**              Dr. Alicia Miguel              Dr. Steven Lumetta              Christa Bray              Daisy Myrick  
Jennifer Clay              Samantha Novak              Patricia Hernandez              Alexandria Thiessen              Luis Arres  
Luis Posada              Michael Meaney              Shannon Spradling              Mark Nasteff              Caitlin McCartney  
Brad Steele              Frances Alaniz

**Monthly Celebrations**

Ms. Novak recognized the staff of the month from each building, celebrating their exceptional dedication and positive impact on the community. Staff of the month for November is: Elementary School- Sydney Shugrue, Middle School- Sami Wynne, High School- Caitlin McCartney. Ms. Novak also introduced the Student Spotlight of the month from each school.

**Consent Agenda**

November 21, 2024 Board Meeting Minutes  
December 2024 HR Board Staff Report  
November 2024 Financial Statement  
November 2024 Check Register  
November 2024 Credit Card Statement  
First Student Rates/Addendum 2024-2025  
Approve Contracted Service Buyouts  
Perfect Attendance Stipend

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

Mr. Villalobos moved to accept the Consent Agenda, Ms. Hernandez seconded the motion. **Motion carried unanimously.**

**Westbrook FY24 Audit Report**

Mr. Steele presented and discussed the GES FY24 Audit Report, it was noted to have a clean report.

Mr. Villalobos moved to accept the Westbrook FY24 Audit Report, Ms. Barraza seconded the motion. **Motion carried unanimously.**

**Executive Session**

There being no further information to come before the Board, Mr. Lopez made the motion to closed session for legal, real estate, personnel and student issues at 4:57pm.

The motion passes unanimously by roll call vote as follows:

Yes:      Beto Lopez                      Octavio Villalobos              Danny Zamora  
   Jennifer Barraza              Nickalas Collins              Phyllis Hernandez

The meeting resumed to open session at 5:31pm.

**Chief of Schools Report**

**Principals 60 Second Building Report-**

PreK and Kindergarten- Ms. Thiessen shared that PreK had concerts last night, families were able to attend and see what their kids have been working on. Teachers have wrapped up testing and look forward to PD tomorrow and celebrate their hard work.

Elementary School- Mr. Arres also mentioned that the concerts went well and was great to see families and kids feel proud of their hard work. They finished NWEA and will have results when they come back from break.

Middle School- Mr. Posada stated they also had their concert, he's proud of how far these students have come especially for those who are new to using some of the instruments. They had catch up day today for students who needed extra time, time has been set aside for teachers to finish grading.

High School- Mr. Meaney mentioned that they finished their trimester mid November and were able to celebrate their honor roll students these past 2 weeks, he was able to go to the MCC space and celebrate with the early college students. There were 134 students who made the honor roll and 58 who made the principal honor roll with a 4.0 GPA. They also had their first wrestling team to win on Monday night.

**By the Numbers-** Dr. Miguel noted there are 1,604 students enrolled for the 2024-25 school year and 608 on the waitlist. Enrollment continues as space becomes available.

**Old Business**

Mr. Lopez mentioned the closing on the Summit building will take place within the next 2 weeks.

**New Business**

None.

**Public Comment**

None.

**Adjourn**

There being no further information to come before the Board, Mr. Lopez made the motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mr. Zamora at 5:42pm.



[Phill Hernandez \(Feb 4, 2025 13:41 CST\)](#)

Respectfully Submitted

Phyllis Hernandez, Board Secretary

The next regular Board of Directors Meeting is scheduled for December 19, 2024.

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