

Guadalupe Educational System Inc.  
Board of Director Meeting Minutes  
February 27, 2025

The meeting was called to order by the Board President, Beto Lopez, at 4:32pm held via Zoom and in person. The board members present established a quorum. Mr. Lopez welcomed all those in attendance.

**Board Members Present:** Beto Lopez Danny Zamora Jennifer Barraza  
Phyllis Hernandez Mark Morales

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

**Also present:** Dr. Alicia Miguel Dr. Steven Lumetta Christa Bray Samantha Novak  
Jennifer Clay Brandon Wright Dr. Uzziel Pecina Alexandria Thiessen Michael Meaney  
Luis Posada Carolyn Duff Alejandro Gonzalez Shannon Spradling Mark Nasteff

**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- Alejandro Gonzalez, Middle School- Carolyn Duff, High School- Abigail Lima Alcocer.

**Consent Agenda**

January 23, 2025 Board Meeting Minutes  
February 2025 HR Board Staff Report  
January 2025 Financial Statement  
January 2025 Check Register  
January 2025 Credit Card Statement  
Ratification of approval for Trane, HVAC issues at GCMS  
Smart Pro KC  
Admin. And Non-Certificated Salary Increases  
Additional Positions for SY 25/26  
Speech Language Pathologists Addendums

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

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

**Additional Bus Purchases**

Mr. Lopez mentioned the purchase of the additional 10 buses was discussed at the finance meeting. Dr. Lumetta indicated this purchase will allow the school to have its own fleet in house and will allow it to no longer use contracted service.

Mr. Morales moved to accept the Additional Bus Purchases, Mr. Zamora seconded the motion. **Motion carried unanimously.**

**MCPSC Board Acknowledgement of Closure Assurance**

Mr. Nasteff reviewed the Closure Assurance. This is an annual requirement by the MO Charter Public School Commission in which the board acknowledges that for whatever reason there would be a need for the schools closure, they are aware of the process.

Mr. Zamora moved to accept the MCPSC Board Acknowledgement of Closure Assurance, Mr. Morales seconded the motion. **Motion carried unanimously.**

**Chief of Schools Report**

**Principals 60 Second Building Report-**

- **PreK and Kindergarten & Elementary School-** Mr. Arres talked about a new behavior program they called Aztec United which is aimed to recognize behaviors the kids display on a regular basis. They are to practice 4 main things: use positive and uplifting language with others, build community through kind and caring actions, another is work hard to grow your brain and be responsible for all their actions. Students can win medals as they progress consecutively.
- **Middle School-** Mr. Posada mentioned it was great to have students back in the building after some snow days. They started trimester 3 and are finishing up some assessments and will start NWEA Spring testing soon.
- **High School-** Mr. Meaney mentioned that they wrapped up WIDA testing. They started the Accuplacer testing for next school year which is the test students take to test into Metropolitan Community College, they have a total of 96 students who will be taking that test.

### **By the Numbers**

Dr. Pecina noted there are 1,604 students enrolled for the 2024-25 school year, 350 students on the waitlist and 95% overall attendance. The enrollment lottery will take place on March 3rd at 2pm for the 2025-26 school year.

### **Old Business**

None.

### **New Business**

None.

### **Public Comment**

None.

### **Executive Session**

Mr. Lopez made the motion to closed session for legal, real estate, personnel and student issues at 4:56pm.

The motion passes unanimously by roll call vote as follows:

Yes:	Beto Lopez	Danny Zamora	Jennifer Barraza
	Phyllis Hernandez	Mark Morales	

The meeting resumed to open session at 5:30pm.

### **Approval of Rosemary Martin's Contract**

Mr. Zamora moved to accept the Approval of Rosemary Martin's Contract, Ms. Barraza seconded the motion. **Motion carried unanimously.**

### **Additional Snow Days**

Approval for all hourly staff members to be compensated for the five snow days that were not built into the school calendar. The GCCS School Board recognizes the hardship staff members would face without being compensated for the days that would have otherwise been worked.

Mr. Zamora moved to accept the Additional Snow Days, Ms. Barraza seconded the motion. **Motion carried unanimously.**

### **Adjourn**

There being no further information to come before the Board, Mr. Lopez made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:40pm.



Phyllis Hernandez (Mar 31, 2025 12:35 CDT)

Respectfully Submitted

Phyllis Hernandez, Board Secretary

Next regular Board of Directors Meeting: March 26, 2025

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