Guadalupe Education System Inc.
Board Meeting Minutes
May 17, 2018

Meeting was called to order by Cris Medina at 4:35pm in the GCI Theatre.

Board Members Present: Cris Medina Jaime Guillen
Dr. Julia Vargas Natalie Carrillo
Manuel Abarca Daniel Silva

Excused Absence: Justine Del Muro Beto Lopez

Staff & Others Present: Joe Palmer Shannon Spradling
Frances Alaniz Steven Lumetta
Izette Torres Devon Teran
Alfonso Zarate Ed Mendez
Mark Nasteff Charlotte Evans
Sonia Sanchez Cheryl Samet

Consent Agenda
Approval of April 2018 Meeting Minutes
Approval of April 2018 Check Registry
Approval of April 2018 Financial statements
Staffing Report

Jaime Guillen moved to accept the consent agenda, Daniel Silva seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

The board stated that any items not included in the electronic board packet prior to the board meeting, should not be listed in the consent agenda.

Finance
Shannon Spradling stated that the revised 2017-2018 budget and the 2018-2019 budget will be presented to the board at the June meeting.

Facilities/ Construction Update
Joe Palmer stated that the construction for the Chapel has not yet begun. The final plans include a multipurpose room in the main floor and classrooms in the lower level for 5th grade.

Transportation Contract
Joe Palmer proposed to approve the KC Premiere transportation contract for middle and high school. Mr. Palmer noted that this company is smaller and cheaper saving the school up to $35,000. Joe Palmer stated that he will be presenting the Citywide Transportation contract for Elementary for board approval in June.
Manuel Abarca moved to accept the KC Premiere transportation contract, Natalie Carrillo seconded the motion. **Motion carried unanimously.**

**Superintendent's Update**
Joe Palmer introduced Steve Lumetta as Assistant Superintendent effective June 4th.
Mr. Palmer thanked the board for their participation in meetings and interviews with Insignia Partners. They will begin going over data to begin the strategic planning process at the next meeting on June 13.

Ed Mendez explained the Early College Partnership for Junior students. About 15 qualifying students agree to commit to attend school at Penn Valley Community College full time for two years, essentially earning their high school diploma and an associates degree by the end of the program.

All MAP testing is complete. DESE conducted a site visit to monitor protocol. Mike Wilhoit will provide the board with their suggestions.

**Seal of Biliteracy**
Katrina Lundien proposed that the superintendent of schools be granted the authority to award the Missouri Seal of Biliteracy, Distinguished Missouri Seal of Biliteracy and Pathway Awards to students who meet designated criteria in English Language Arts and any of the world’s languages either taught or present in our schools.
A seal will be adhered to the high school diploma. Graduates with the seal have the opportunity to receive up to 12 college credit hours of Foreign Language Credit, depending upon the specific Biliteracy Seal policy of a chosen university in Missouri.

Manuel Abarca moved to accept the Seal of Biliteracy with the Kansas City School District effective immediately, Daniel Silva seconded the motion. **Motion carried unanimously.**

**Committee Reports**
- **Finance Committee:** Jaime Guillen stated that the committee is working on credit card policy and will present it to the board for approval in June.
  Joe Palmer stated a budget workshop has been scheduled in June for principals and directors regarding proper procedures.

- **Executive Committee:** The committee did not meet this month. Cris Medina stated there may be a potential candidate for the board vacancy.

- **Instruction Committee:** The Instruction Committee has decided from now on to meet before the monthly Finance Committee meeting.
  Julia Vargas presented the curriculum requests and budget summary. Ms. Vargas proposed summer curriculum work and approval of costs for curriculum work per building.

  Julia Vargas moved to approve the expenditures for 2017-2018 summer work and amend the budget in June to reflect it, Manuel Abarca seconded the motion. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Ed Mendez presented new 2018-2019 High school electives.
Julia Vargas moved to approve and accept the new curricular and courses offered for 2018-2019, Manuel Abarca seconded the motion. **Motion carried unanimously.**

**Discipline Committee:** No report given.

**Public Comment**
No Public Comment.

**Executive Session**
Manuel Abarca moved to go into Executive Session. Jaime Guillen seconded the motion. **Motion carried unanimously.** Roll call was taken:

- Cris Medina
- Dr. Julia Vargas
- Manuel Abarca
- Jaime Guillen
- Natalie Carrillo
- Daniel Silva

All in attendance were dismissed except for Alfonso Zarate and Mark Nasteff.

**Adjourn**
Manuel Abarca moved to adjourn the meeting. Julia Vargas seconded the motion. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Meeting adjourned at 6:10pm.

Respectfully Submitted

Justine Del Muro, Board Secretary

Minutes Prepared by Recorder
Izette Torres, GC Executive Assistant

Next Board Meeting
Thursday, June 28, 2018