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Dear Governor Calvo and Speaker Cruz:

Håfa Adai! Pursuant to Public Law 31-233, Section 38, *Reporting Requirements for Boards and Commissions,* attached are electronic copies of the Guam Education Board's meeting agenda, approved minutes and other documents as discussed at the August 30, 2016, regular board meeting. The meeting was held at Ordot Chalan Pago Elementary School, Cafeteria.

Should you have any questions, please contact me at 300-1547.

Senseramente,

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Tuesday, August 30, 2016
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Swiss Re: Disasters claim fewer lives this year but cost insurers more

ZURICH (Reuters) – Natural and man-made catastrophes cost insurers an estimated $31 billion in the first half of 2016, a rise of 51 percent, although they claimed only half as many lives, Swiss Re, the world's second-largest reinsurer, said on Thursday.



CATASTROPHE: A woman holding a girl walks next to a house collapsed by an earthquake in Mashiki town, Kumamoto prefecture, southern Japan, on April 17. Reuters/Toru Hanai

Insurers covered a much higher proportion of the total $71 billion in disaster losses than in previous years, preliminary data from Swiss Re's regular "sigma" survey showed, as catastrophes struck in regions including Europe, Canada and the United States with high insurance penetration.

The costs borne by insurers for disasters ranging from U.S. thunderstorms to Japanese earthquakes stood just above the ten-year average of $30 billion for the half year, despite total economic losses from natural and man-made catastrophes falling well below the $110 billion average.

Swiss Re estimated 6,000 people lost their lives during these disasters.

While rising catastrophe costs can often move reinsurance prices upwards, Swiss Re's chief financial officer said in July the half year's losses were not immediately expected to have a significant impact given the fierce competition in the industry.

Turkey's Erdogan blames child bomber for attack that killed 51

(Reuters) – A suicide bomber aged between 12 and 14 carried out the attack on a wedding party in the Turkish city of Gaziantep on Saturday that killed at least 51 people, the president said.

The attack was the deadliest in a series of bombings in Turkey this year, and President Recep Tayyip Erdogan said Islamic State was likely behind it.

"Initial evidence suggests it was a Daesh attack," Erdogan said in Istanbul on Sunday, using an Arabic name for the hardline Sunni Islamist group. He said 69 people were in hospital and 17 were "heavily injured."

A destroyed suicide vest was found at the blast site, officials said.

Islamic State has been blamed for other similar attacks in Turkey, often targeting Kurdish gatherings in an effort to inflame ethnic tensions. The deadliest was last October, when suicide bombers killed more than 100 people at a rally of pro-Kurdish and labor activists in Ankara.

Saturday's attack comes with Turkey still in shock just a month after Erdogan and the government survived an attempted coup by rogue military officers, which Ankara blames on U.S.-based Islamist preacher Fethullah Gulen. Gulen has denied the charge.

The pro-Kurdish Peoples' Democratic Party (HDP) said the wedding party was for one of its members. The groom was among those injured, but the bride was not hurt.

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The bomb went off as guests spilled out into the streets of the city close to the Syrian border after the traditional henna night party, when guests have their hands and feet painted.

Women and children, including a three-month-old baby, were among the dead, witnesses said.

Blood and burn marks stained the walls of the narrow lane where the blast hit. Women in whits and checkered scarves wept outside the morgue waiting for word on missing relatives.

"The celebrations were coming to an end and there was a big explosion among people dancing," said 25-year-old Veli Can. "There was blood and body parts everywhere."

"We want to end these massacres," witness Ibrahim Ozdemir said. "We are in pain, especially the women and children."

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I. MEETING CALL TO ORDER

Ms. Lourdes B. San Nicolas, Chairwoman, called the meeting to order at 6:09 p.m.

Acting Superintendent Sanchez acknowledged the presence of Speaker Judi Won-Pat.

II. ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS

Mr. Joseph L.M. Sanchez, Acting Superintendent and Executive Secretary, took the roll call. The following members were **present** for the meeting:

Voting Members:
San Nicolas, Lourdes B.- Chairwoman
Tainatongo, Rosie R. - Vice Chairperson
Ada, Peter Alecxis D.
Benavente, Lourdes M.
Concepcion, Charlene D.
Cruz, Dr. Jose Q.
Gutierrez, Maria A.
Torres, Ryan F.

Non-Voting Members:
Martin Borja (SHS) IBOGS Representatives

Absent:
Chargualaf, Kenneth P. - Off-island
Matanane, Rudy M. - Yigo Mayor and MCOG education liaison- Excused
Perez, Audrey (SSHS) - GFT Representative- Excused

The Superintendent announced that there was a quorum. (By law, five voting members constitute a quorum. Eight (8) voting members were present for this meeting.)

A motion was made by Mrs. Gutierrez to amend the agenda to move agenda item VI: Unfinished Business, number 3: NASBE 2016 Friend of Education Award up to Public Participation. The motion was seconded by Vice Chair Tainatongo The Board voted by show of hands and approved the motion with a vote of 8–0. The motion carried.

III. Public Participation-

Mrs. Gutierrez provided a brief history of the establishment of *The Foundation for Public Education,* citing Public Law 30-8. The Guam Education Board nominated the *Foundation for Public Education* to compete in the "2016 National State Board of Education Friends of Education", category award. The criteria for the award was discussed, highlighting the opportunity to recognize citizens whose primary work is outside the realm of the educational policy and system. The NASBE Press Release was read by Mrs. Gutierrez, outlining contributions of *The Guam Foundation for Public Education, Inc.* Contributions include: 1) The Guam Teacher of the Year Award, acknowledging outstanding teachers within the department, 2) the publication of the quarterly Island-wide Education Newsletter highlighting the success of Guam's public schools, and 3) the Annual Department of Education Be Healthy! Be Smart 2K/5K Fun Run/Walk.

Resolution 2016-12 was read by Acting Superintendent Sanchez, recognizing and acknowledging the Board members of the Foundation for Public Education.

Board member for the Foundation for Public Education, Mr. Noel Enriquez, addressed the body articulating his appreciation to the Guam Education Board and NASBE for the recognition.

Speaker Won Pat extended her congratulatory remarks to the Foundation of Public Education for receiving the award. She also indicated that a legislative resolution will be presented to the Foundation.

Chairwoman San Nicolas commented that this award is history in the making and remains competitive with other states nationwide. Chairwoman San Nicolas discussed the need to utilize our talents to make things happen in education, regardless of the size of our island.

At the request of Acting Superintendent Sanchez, Mrs. Gutierrez was asked to say a few words pertaining to the Island Board of Governing Students (IBOGS). Prior to the introduction of the newly elected representatives. Mrs. Gutierrez serves as the lead Board member who advises the IBOGS.

A brief overview on what IBOGS is and its expectations was delivered by Mrs. Gutierrez.

Acting Superintendent Sanchez introduced the IBOGS representatives who were present at the meeting. These representatives included:

- Johnae Camacho and Andrea Ibardalosa (12th graders at SSHS)
- Regina Mae Dominguez and Luke Bukikosa (12th grader and 10th grader, respectively, at GWHS)

- Martin Borja and Celeste Santos (11th grader and 12th grader, respectively, at SHS)

Acting Superintendent Sanchez stated that the representatives not in attendance for tonight's meeting include: Tiyan High, JFK High, Okkodo High, and J.P. Torres Success Academy.

Chairwoman San Nicolas congratulated the IBOGS representatives. She then addressed the group advising them of new issues in which the board would like to solicit student input in order to formulate policies.

Mrs. Gutierrez requested for one IBOG representative to participate in tonight's meeting. All board members approved participation, and Martin Borja represented IBOGS.

IV. Approval of Minutes

1) Minutes of June 22, 2016 Continuation of Executive Session

Chairwoman San Nicolas questioned Mrs. Concepcion of her presence at the meeting. Mrs. Concepcion confirmed her presence and Chairwoman San Nicolas asked for corrections to be made on the minutes to reflect Mrs. Concepcion's attendance.

A motion was made by Dr. Cruz to approve the minutes of June 22, 2016, subject to corrections. The motion was seconded by Vice Chair Tainatongo. The Board voted by show of hands and the motion was approved with a vote of 8–0. Executive Session resumed.

Note: Early Departure for Mr. Peter Alexis Ada

2) Minutes of July 15, 2016 Special meeting

Mrs. Gutierrez requested a series of changes to be made on the minutes. Page 2 of 3, Line 39, the term "condition" should be altered to read "completion". Additionally, on Page 2 of 3, Line 41, insert "and be" after "July 18, 2016."

Vice Chair Tainatongo requested on Page 2 of 3, Line 22, to **change** "replaced" to read, "placed".

Dr. Cruz pointed out on Page 1 of 3, the heading should read "8:04 am" as opposed to 6 p.m. as a result of the late start.

Mrs. Gutierrez indicated that the meeting started at 9 am.

Chairwoman requested on Page 1 of 3, to **change** on top of the heading "6 pm" to read "9 am".

Chairwoman requested on Page 2 of 3, Line 35, to change "8:07 am" to read "9:07 am".

Mrs. Gutierrez stated that the meeting was scheduled for 9 am. She commented that on page 1 of 3, under I. Meeting call to order, second line should read "9:04 am" instead of "8:04 am".

Chairwoman San Nicolas announced that the approval of the minutes will be tabled until such time in which all corrections have been completed.

A motion was made by Vice Chair Tainatongo, to table the Minutes of the July 15, 2016 Special Meeting until such time that all the corrections are made. The motion was **seconded by Mrs. Gutierrez, who also requested that the** Acting Superintendent Sanchez ensure that the minutes are reviewed prior to including them into the Board packets. **The Board voted by show of hands and the motion was approved with a vote of 7-0.**

3) Minutes of July 25, 2016 Regular meeting

Chairwoman San Nicolas addressed several areas in need of correction. Page 2 of 8, after the sentence on Line 37, **the statement**, "The Chairwoman stated it will be resolved at the next meeting" should be inserted. Additionally, on Page 3 of 8, paragraph 4, the term "projective" should read "projected," along with the replacement of the word "you" to read "him." Furthermore, the Chairwoman pointed out that on Page 3 of 8, Paragraph 2, Line 110, there is word missing after "expecting".

Mrs. Schroeder responded to Chairwoman San Nicolas's statement indicating that it should contain the words "Duration Grant".

Chairwoman San Nicolas requested on Page 6 of 8, Line 249, to **alter** "pre-school" to read "schools," and omit the term "standards" on page 6i of 8, line 250.

Chairwoman San Nicolas requested on Page 6 of 8, Line 271, to **change** "Guam for Education" to read "Our Guam Community".

Vice Chair Tainatongo requested on Page 4 of 8, Line 74, to **remove** "the" in between "assist" and "them".

Vice Chair Tainatongo requested on Page 5 of 8, Line 232, to **add** "be" in between "to" and "mindful".

A motion was made by Chairwoman San Nicolas to table the Minutes of July 25, 2016, Regular Board Meeting until such time that all the corrections are made. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Gutierrez . The Board voted by show of hands and the motion was approved with a vote of 7-0.

4) Minutes of August 10, 2016 Special meeting

Chairwoman San Nicolas requested on Page 2 of 9, Line 48, to **change** "comprised" to read "compromised", to add "s" to "school", to change "is" to read "are", and to strike out "about the major areas that would prevent them from opening".

Chairwoman San Nicolas requested on Page 2 of 9, Line 68, to **change** "has" to read "had", and to add "out" in between "gone" and "to".

Chairwoman San Nicolas requested on Page 2 of 9, Line 723, to **change** "finish" to read "finished".

Mrs. Gutierrez requested that on Page 2 of 9, Line 52, to **change** "resource" to read "resources".

Chairwoman San Nicolas requested on Page 3 of 9, Line 80, to **add** "is" in between "this" and "a".

Chairwoman San Nicolas requested on Page 3 of 9, Line 86, to **change** "River" to read "Rivera".

Chairwoman San Nicolas requested on Page 3 of 9, Line 116, to **change** "the" to read "that".

Chairwoman San Nicolas requested on Page 3 of 9, Line 80, to **add** "is" in between "this" and "a".

Chairwoman San Nicolas requested on Page 4 of 9, Line 134, to **add**, "are" in between "that" and "suitable".

Ms. Benavente requested on Page 4 of 9, Line 140, to **change** "need go to" to read "needed to go".

Chairwoman San Nicolas requested on Page 4 of 9, Line 140, to **change** "need go to" to read "need to be removed" and to change "regard" to read "regards".

Chairwoman San Nicolas requested on Page 4 of 9, Line 159, to **change** "propose" to read "proposed".

Chairwoman San Nicolas requested on Page 5 of 9, Line 203, to **add** right after responsibilities "of each of the Deputies and that Mr. Anderson is not in charge of Curriculum, Teaching, and Learning."

Chairwoman San Nicolas requested on Page 5 of 9, Line 213, to **change** "athletes" to read "students".

Chairwoman San Nicolas requested on Page 5 of 9, Line 214, "the AC Unit is not giving out cool air in the gym."

Chairwoman San Nicolas requested on Page 5 of 9, Line 219, "Ms. Fiasco stated that there are many vacancies in the high needs area such as Science and Math."

Chairwoman San Nicolas requested on Page 4 of 9, Line 140, to **change** "need go to" to read "need to be removed".

Chairwoman San Nicolas requested on Page 5 of 9, Line 242, to **change** "resort" to read "resource".

Chairwoman San Nicolas requested on Page 6 of 9, Line 290, to change "coachers" to read "coaches".

Chairwoman San Nicolas requested on Page 8 of 9, Line 394, to **change** "residences" to read "residence".

Mrs. Gutierrez requested on Page 8 of 9, Line 395 to **change** "observer" to read "observe".

Chairwoman San Nicolas requested on Page 8 of 9, Line 395, to **remove** "and thanked them in advanced" and add "s" to "school".

Chairwoman San Nicolas requested on Page 8 of 9, Line 410, to **change** "their" to read "they are".

Mrs. Gutierrez requested on Page 9 of 9, Line 432, to **change** "9-0" to read "8-0".

A motion was made by Mrs. Concepcion to table the Minutes of the August 10, 2016 Special Meeting until such time that all the corrections are made. The motion was seconded by Vice Chair Tainatongo. The Board voted by show of hands and the motion was approved with a vote of 7–0.

V. Receipt of Communication and Reports

1) Superintendent's Report and Communication

In addition to his written report to the Board, the Acting Superintendent provided the highlights and updates to his report of July 2016.

Acting Superintendent Sanchez announced that all forty-one (41) schools had opened successfully. A few minor bussing issues were encountered; however, the matter is currently being addressed with DPW.

Bell schedules- Acting Superintendent Sanchez assured the Board that any proposed changes to the bell schedule will involve all stakeholders in the decision-making process and brought to the board for final approval.

School staffing- Acting Superintendent Sanchez indicated that staffing at school sites remains a concern, and plans are in place to address such matters. Schools have requested to fill new positions, and the Acting Superintendent continues to work closely with the Personnel Department and Deputy Superintendent Erika Cruz to address staffing needs. Acting Superintendent Sanchez also aims to meet with school administrators to discuss ways to address this issue.

Consolidated Grant- Acting Superintendent Sanchez expressed his appreciation to the Board for their work during the work session for the consolidated grant.

Third Party Fiduciary Agent– Acting Superintendent Sanchez stated that it is a procurement matter and cannot be shared with the public and outside entities. The Acting Superintendent indicated that he has met with his Division Heads and they are looking at various contingencies to have plans in place to address them.

ACT Aspire- Acting Superintendent Sanchez stated that a work session is scheduled for September 19, 2016. He further discussed the availability of the Language Arts, Reading, and Math scores scheduled to be presented to the Board members.

Labor Day Picnic- Acting Superintendent Sanchez extended the invitation to all to participate in the Annual Labor Day Picnic scheduled for September 4, 2016, beginning at 11:30 at Ypao Beach.

Questions and concerns raised by the Board members (Mrs. Gutierrez, Dr. Cruz, and Chairwoman San Nicolas), with regard to the Superintendent's report, included but not limited to the following:

Mrs. Gutierrez questioned Page 17, of the new administrators listing, stating it reads "Agnes Cruz" as opposed to Agnes Guerrero.

Vice Chair Tainatongo applauded Acting Superintendent Sanchez and his Management Team and principals for opening all the schools on time.

Chairwoman San Nicolas expressed her gratitude to all Board members for their observation, participation, and providing assistance to the schools.

Acting Superintendent Sanchez commended his Management Team and principals for being proactive, positive, and focused when addressing all issues.

Chairwoman San Nicolas stated that although she has a lot of questions from the report, she will afford the Board members the opportunity to ask questions. Chairwoman San Nicolas declared some areas needed clarification or more information, and will refrain from further questioning until a workable system has been established to address Board concerns.

Mrs. Gutierrez voiced her concern pertaining to Sodexo's menu. Mrs. Gutierrez added "unofficial" menus were reviewed upon visiting a school, and "official" menus must be provided to the school.

Mrs. Gutierrez further discussed her visits to schools with Ms. Benavente and how both members were impressed with the cleanliness of the campus, most especially with the elementary schools.

Acting Superintendent Sanchez requested from the Board for quarterly work sessions with the Consolidated Grant to coincide with quarterly reports.

Chairwoman San Nicolas responded that the matter will be addressed further in the presence of the entire Board to determine the course of action.

Dr. Cruz commented that the report addressing the goals and its outcomes are inconsistent. He further suggested to task responsible parties to revisit the objectives.

Chairwoman San Nicolas stated that the Board has awaited the Implementation Plan. She proceeded to discuss the approval of the State Strategic Plan (SSP) since 2014, and has yet to gauge what direction the Department is headed and determine how to assess the progress of the goals at the end of each school year. Chairwoman San Nicolas requested Acting Superintendent Sanchez to devise a plan with his Management Team in order for the Board to understand the expectations of each school year and to determine if benchmarks are achieved.

A motion was made by Vice Chair Tainatongo to accept the Superintendent's Report and Communication for July 2016. The motion was seconded by Ms. Benavente. The Board voted by show of hands and the motion was approved with a vote of 7-0. The motion passed.

2) Head Start Program Director's Report

Mrs. Schroeder reported Head Start students have started to receive services relative to the "Combination Option." Mrs. Schroeder also indicated that she has been afforded a small classroom that services eight (8) children every other day. Home visits are a requirement, and are conducted on the 5th day in which students have been marked absent. The Combination Program has been discussed and approved with Region IV and will continue for the duration until classrooms are ready. Classrooms are expected to be ready in two (2) weeks in which the program will resume its usual option. Parents pledged their support of this alternative plan and the children continue to receive services as required by Head Start.

Mrs. Schroeder announced a scheduled visit from Program Specialist Noelle Granato. The visit will occur next week Tuesday. Mr. Granato will be on island for a couple of days during the week of September 6th to review the current system and processes and provide guidance for improvement for Corrective Action by October 26, 2016.

Mrs. Schroeder pointed out two typos. On page 1 under the amount of their grant awards to date, it should be ($2,840,000 instead of $49,000) and she added an "e" to Finegayan.

Chairwoman San Nicolas thanked Dr. Cruz for attending the "Joint Board meeting".

A motion was made by Dr. Cruz to approve the Head Start Director's Report. The motion was seconded by Vice Chair Tainatongo. The Board voted by show of hands and the motion was approved with a vote of 7-0. The motion passed.

VI. Unfinished Business

1) Code of Ethics

Mrs. Gutierrez stated that Chairwoman San Nicolas forwarded the Code of Ethics to the GEB Legal Counsel to review.

2) Proposed Revisions BP 409- Prevention and Intervention Against Harassment, Intimidation or Bullying, Cyberbullying, Sexting, and Sexual Harassment.

Mrs. Gutierrez stated that the GEB Legal Counsel will also be providing his revision to the Board policy.

3) NASBE 2016 Friend of Education Award

Moved to the top of the agenda.

4) Transgender Access to Facilities

Mrs. Gutierrez stated that the committee did request that the transgender be in the BP-409. Therefore, a worksession will be scheduled and IBOGS

representatives will be invited to attend. The representatives will be asked for their input ~~is~~ for BP 409 and Transgender Access to Facilities.

Chairwoman San Nicolas stated that in addition to the IBOGs, they requested for the committee to work closely with IBOGS representatives to disseminate surveys to the students, parents, and staff members to allow for input that will help ensure the policy that is developed, and addresses the needs of the students.

Chairwoman San Nicolas expressed her gratitude to the GEB Legal Counsel Mr. Gary Gumataotao for providing information and additional reading material on this particular matter.

VII. New Business

1) Annual NASBE Conference on October 19-22, 2016

Mrs. Gutierrez announced the Annual NASBE Conference will be held in Kansas City, Missouri and the packet contains a draft agenda that will be discussed. Additionally, there are three (3) conferences coming up on the 19th. Currently on the agenda, Guam will be participating in the final Board of Directors for our NASBE Region and also at the Board of Directors meeting to elect the President for 2017. Also on the agenda, the Governmental Affairs Committee (GAC), will be meeting on Friday, October 21st where Board Member Ms. Benavente was appointed by the President of NASBE to continue serving as a committee member. There is a registration deadline on September 26, 2016 to meet the NASBE special rate of $169 per night plus applicable taxes, if the Board approves the participants. The theme for this year is "State Leadership for Students Success."

Chairwoman San Nicolas thanked Mrs. Gutierrez for her report. A proposed budget of $10,000 for PD funds has been submitted for Fiscal Year 2017. A rough estimate of the travel, hotel, per diem (to include meals and transportation) would equate $3,297.95 per person. The budget would only be sufficient to cover the cost of two travelers at this time in order to avoid overspending.

Mrs. Gutierrez stated that confirmation was yet to be received from NASBE regarding the stipend coverage, therefore, it cannot be assumed that GEB will receive the stipend.

Chairwoman San Nicolas added that she could not confirm if the budget has been approved by the Governor. Chairwoman San Nicolas was able to confirm with Deputy Taling Taitano that it's still in progress.

Mrs. Gutierrez responded to Ms. Tainatongo's question and indicated that it is not a guarantee and she does not want to assume NASBE will be offering a stipend up to $4,000. The Chairwoman clarified that the cost of the hotel is currently $169 for the special rate until September 26 plus 11% tax per night. That amounts up to $187.59 for five nights per person it's about $937.95. The amount is expected to increase if action is not taken immediately, or if the participants fail to register by September 26.

A motion was made by Mrs. Tainatongo to table this action until such time information from NASBE is received regarding the stipend. The motion was seconded by Mr. Torres.

Mrs. Gutierrez stated that they need to set a deadline if they do not hear from NASBE and to determine the board's plans.

Chairwoman San Nicolas asked what is the pleasure of the Board as far as setting the deadline.

Ms. Concepcion responded, indicating that the next scheduled Board meeting is on September 20th and asked if that would be enough time. The Chairwoman addressed the motion to table the subject matter until such time that we information from NASBE regarding stipend is received and that the Board will take action no later than September 20th.

The Board voted by show of hands and the motion was approved with a vote of 7-0. The motion passed.

2) Approval of Renewal Contract for GEB Legal Counsel

A motion was made by Chairwoman San Nicolas to table the Approval of Renewal Contract for GEB Legal Counsel at the Executive Session. The motion was seconded by Vice Chair Tainatongo. The Board voted by show of hands and the motion was approved with a vote of 7-0. The motion passed.

3) Committee Reports
   a) Executive Committee- Chairwoman San Nicolas announced that Acting Superintendent Sanchez will provide his report on pay disparity as a result of his meeting with Mr. Kin Fernandez and other school administrators. Then a worksession is to occur. There is still one personnel matter on pay disparity that has not been addressed.
   b) Instructional and Academic Support Committee-None
   c) Safe and Healthy Schools Committee- Mrs. Gutierrez stated that BP409 is under the Safe and Healthy Schools and six (6) of the IBOGS is needed. Hopefully, Mr. Superintendent can get on other high schools because by law, they should have had the election. She requested that email addresses be provided to Leilani Cruz so she can schedule a date to meet and start setting goals for this school year.
   d) Organizational Efficiency and Development Committee- Chairwoman San Nicolas stated that she would like to continue our efforts in addressing the pay disparity issues.
   e) Accreditation Subcommittee- None
   f) Budget & Finance Subcommittee- Mr. Torres suggested to all the Board Members to have a worksession on September 15, 2016, to discuss the spending plan and preliminary from the Legislature approving the 2017 budget that were going to have the same budget as in 2016. The second thing is to review the spending plan for 2017 and to go over the Education Financial Supervisory Commission and the different watches. He would like all the Board members to attend, so the process about these code watches, will be presented on September 15, 2016 at 9 am.
4) IBOGS Report- Martin Borja stated, in regard to the election of the new IBOGS members. He was just informed that there are some schools who did not inform the students in regards to the election, which means the students were not given the opportunity to be elected as the IBOGS member. He was also informed that at one school, they only had one person who ran as an

IBOGS candidate and was automatically selected. IBOGS is an organization that many students would like to take part of, if they are enrolled and informed. He's asking at the level of Superintendent's office that he push to share that the schools inform their students and have their members ready that way they can move together as a board to start to tackle the issues that are ahead. He stated that they didn't have a successful opening though there were some flaws as expected. For example, today, at Southern High School, their lunch period ended 15 minutes early between unwanted activity caused by some of the students, but he's confident the administrators and the staff are tackling the issues day by day.

5) GFT Report- None
6) Mayor's Council Report- None

VIII. Executive Session –

The Board moved into Executive Session at 8:01 pm.
Public session resumed at 9:05 pm.

Chairwoman San Nicolas stated the Mr. Ada had to leave early and will be excused for not attending the Executive Session.

A motion was made by Vice Chair Tainatongo to extend the contract of Legal Counsels Gumataotao and Pole for another fiscal year starting October 1, 2016 ending September 30, 2017. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Gutierrez. The Board voted 7-0 in favor of the motion (Yeas: Chairwoman San Nicolas, Vice Chair Tainatongo, Ms. Benavente, Mrs. Concepcion, Dr. Cruz, Mrs. Gutierrez, and Mr. Torres). The motion passed.

IX. Announcements and Adjournment –

A motion was made by Chairwoman San Nicolas, to adjourn, the meeting at 9:00 p.m.. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Concepcion. The motion passed.

MINUTES SUBMITTED BY:

Date: 12/27/16

LEILANI M. B. CRUZ
Administrative Officer

MINUTES OF August 30, 2016 REGULAR MEETING:
( ) Approved as submitted
(X) Approved subject to corrections (Ref: GEB Reg. mtg. December 27, 2016, at GWHS Cafeteria)
( ) Other: _____

for **LOURDES B. SAN NICOLAS,**
GEB Chairwoman

Date: 12/27/16

JOSEPH L. M. SANCHEZ,
Acting Executive Secretary/
GDOE Superintendent

Date: 1/11/17