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The Honorable Eddie Baza Calvo
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Honorable Benjamin J. F. Cruz
Speaker
Thirty-fourth Guam Legislature
Hagåtña, Guam 96932

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 May 16, 2017 regular Board meeting. The meeting was held at Chief Brodie Elementary School, Cafeteria.

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Guam Education Board
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
Tuesday, May 16, 2017
6 PM
Chief Brodie Elementary School, Cafeteria

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I. MEETING CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Peter Alecxis D. Ada, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

II. ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS

Mr. Jon J. P. Fernandez, Superintendent and Executive Secretary, took the roll call. The following members were **present** for the meeting:

Voting Members:
Ada, Peter Alecxis D.- Chairman
Gutierrez, Maria A.- Vice Chair
Benavente, Lourdes M. **(Tele-conference)**
Crisostomo, Robert A.
Lujan, James C.
McNinch, Dr. Ron L.
Mendiola, Mark B.
San Nicolas, Lourdes B.

Non-Voting Members:
Abad, Cyndal (OHS)- IBOGS Representative

Absent:
Mandapat, Audrey P. (SSHS) - GFT Representative --- Excused
Matanane, Rudy M. - Yigo Mayor and MCOG education liaison- 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.)*

III. Public Participation

1) Resolution and Certificate Presentation
Vice Chair Gutierrez read GEB Resolution 2017-09 commending and recognizing Ms. Mabel Uncangco, 2017 Guam Department of Education (GDOE) Teacher of the Year.

The Board and Superintendent presented certificates to Naio Attan and Derrick Attan, Simon Sanchez High School students who rescued two unattended toddlers locked in a parked car on April 29, 2017 at the Micronesia Mall.

The Board and Superintendent also presented certificates to the following schools.

Simon Sanchez High School
- 1st & 2nd place- Congressional Art Competition
- Army JROTC-Golden Bear West Coast National Drill Meet
  - 1st place Armed Sweepstakes
  - 2nd place Armed Drill Team Regulation
  - 2nd place Armed Drill Team Exhibition
  - 2nd place Armed Drill Team- 4 man
  - 3rd place Unarmed Exhibition
  - 3rd place Color Guard Sabre
  - 4th place Unarmed Drill Team- 2 man
  - 4th place Armed Drill Team-Tap Out
  - 4th place Armed Drill Commander Award
  - 5th place Armed Drill Commander Award

John F. Kennedy High School
-1st place- Green Dream School Competition
-Air Force JROTC- Golden Bear West Coast National Drill Meet
  - 1st place Armed Exhibition Novice
  - 1st place Unarmed Exhibition Novice
  - 1st place Novice Armed Sweepstakes
  - 1st place Novice Unarmed Sweepstakes
  - 1st place Outstanding Commander Novice Unarmed
  - 2nd place Armed Regulation Novice
  - 2nd place Outstanding Commander Novice Armed
  - Overall 2017 Golden Bear West Coast National Champions non-exhibition
-2017 U.S. Air Force JROTC Academic Bowl Championship
-1st place 2017 Stock Market Game Competition
-3rd Quarter Girls Softball Champions

George Washington High School
-3rd Quarter Girls Rugby Champions- 6 years in a row

F. B. Leon Guerrero Middle School
-1st place- U.S. Territory Division of the eCybermission Competition

Vicente Benavente Middle School
-2nd place Roborunners- First LEGO League Pacific Competition

Okkodo High School
- 2nd place National ProStart winners

Vice Chair Gutierrez recognized and commended the Chairperson of the Island-wide Board of Governing Students (IBOGS), Cyndal Abad of Okkodo

High School. Cyndal Abad thanked the Board of Education, IBOGS members, and GDOE administration for giving students the opportunity to voice their opinions.

The Board took a break at 6:47 p.m.

The Board went back in public session at 6:55 p.m.

Vincent Camacho, Machananao Elementary School parent, voiced his concerns about the bullying of his son at school. Chairman Ada asked Mr. Camacho to leave his contact information with the Board Secretary.

Chairman Ada announced that there is request for executive session.

IV. Approval of Minutes

1) Minutes on April 18, 2017 Regular Board meeting

Ms. San Nicolas requested "met" be changed to "meeting" and "the" be added in between "with" and "visiting" on page 8, line 328.

Mr. Lujan mentioned that on his motion on page 3, line 102, should state "The Board acknowledges the debt to the teachers who participated in the BRIP to refer this to Finance Committee".

Superintendent Fernandez suggested that the record be reviewed to ensure the accuracy of this correction. The Superintendent believed that amendment was made to refer the matter to committee. The Superintendent stated that it was not confirmed that a debt exists and, if so, in what amount.

Mr. Mendiola committed to work with his committee to discuss this matter.

Mr. Mendiola moved, seconded by Mr. Lujan, to approve the minutes of April 18, 2017 Regular Board meeting, subject to corrections and review of the recording of the meeting. The Board voted by roll call and approved the motion with a vote of 7-1 (Yeas: P.Ada, M. Gutierrez, L.Benavente, R. Crisostomo, R. McNinch, M. Mendiola, and L. San Nicolas. Abstain: J. Lujan). The motion passed.

V. Receipt of Communication and Reports

1) Superintendent's Report and Communication

In addition to his written report to the Board, the Superintendent provided highlights and updates.

FISCAL YEAR 2016 AUDIT

Superintendent Fernandez reported that the Department received its fourth consecutive clean (unmodified) opinion for financial and compliance audits (Single Audit) from Deloitte and the second consecutive audit without any material weaknesses or questioned costs. This demonstrates continued steady progress and strengthens the department's effort to get off special conditions and high-risk. There were two audit findings:

a. One related to the lack of SPED maintenance of effort information; GDOE expects USDOE (OSEP) to clear this finding.

b. The other relates to procurement of GCC services through an intergovernmental agreement, instead of through a competitive procurement even though GCC is the only state-authorized entity to provide career and technical education.

SAFETY

- Simon Sanchez Repairs- The GEB is expected to take action on a resolution to seek the expedited assistance of the 34th Guam Legislature to secure funding to address immediate repairs needed at Simon Sanchez High School. Funding will be prioritized to address the renovation of temporary classrooms, air conditioning in the cafeteria, roofing repairs and modifications within the existing concrete facility.
- North Korean Threat- Superintendent Fernandez and Deputy Superintendent Christopher Anderson were briefed on events in North Korea, which are being regularly monitored by Homeland Security. Administrators were subsequently briefed in order to ensure that emergency response plans are updated. Although the likelihood of an event affecting Guam is low, GDOE is taking steps to be proactive and prepared.

  Mr. Crisostomo asked if the plan includes measures to contact to parents. Superintendent Fernandez responded that this is not a special plan. The current emergency response plan that is online. Focus and communication is very important. The emergency response plan can be reviewed to determine if there is any improvement is needed.

- Safety Conference- Superintendent Fernandez mentioned that the Deputy Superintendent for ESCL has organized a Safety Conference for administrators and key staff on June 26 to June 30, 2017. Student Support Services Division is in charge of planning the conference and will focus on various subjects including:
  a. Search and Seizure
  b. SAFE Crisis Management
  c. Stress Management
  d. Program Awareness (504, Brief Tobacco Intervention, Substance Abuse Intervention, School-based Behavioral Health)
  e. Active Supervisory/Positive Behavior Incentives and Supports (PBIS)
  f. CPR/First Aid
  g. Title IX and Board Policy 901

CURRICULUM

- FY 2017 Consolidated Grant Application- GDOE is working to complete the consolidated grant application under the *Every Student Succeeds Act* and with the guidance of USDOE. We are currently working with a budget of a little over $25 million and aligning our programs with the new law. We expect that USDOE will provide the actual grant budget soon. Deadline for submission of the grant is June 13, 2017.
- Guam Community College – GDOE is working on several fronts will GCC. This includes the following:
  a. CLYMERS- GCC has designed an approach that will allow high school graduates who meet a certain GPA and a certain grade in particular content areas to be placed in college-level courses without the need for a placement exam.

b. **Middle College-** GCC is developing its middle college concept, which builds on our existing CTE partnership. We will meet in June to discuss. The idea involves restructuring of our high school curriculum in order to allow students to take courses for both college and high school credit on a track that allows them to earn a certificate or possibly an Associate's degree upon completion of high school.

c. **Technology track-** GCC and GDOE are working on restructuring the electronics CTE track in order to align with the technology needs of employers. This envisions introduction of coding into the curriculum as well as internships that will allow students to explore technology employment on Guam.

FACILITIES

- **$100 Million CIP Bond-** Procurement stayed until OPA issues ruling, expected by June 8, 2017.
- **Tiyan Headquarters-** The TIYAN GDOE Headquarters cannot be occupied without the water pressure issue addressed. GDOE met with GWA this week to determine whether the NAS-1 well could be brought online in the near future. GWA is working to get the well online within a month's time but must work with GEPA and GIAA. Once the well is online, the pressure will be assessed to determine whether its sufficient to support the fire suppression system and other needs on site. The alternative is to purchase and install a water tank. Also, two new warehouses are set for construction; GDOE is working with Coretech to determine whether and how much office space will be included in the warehouses. Our goal is to fully consolidate operations at Tiyan.
- **J.P. Torres Renaming-** Superintendent Fernandez mentioned that the committee will meet on Thursday, May 18, 2017, at 2 p.m. It is comprised of Board member James Lujan (representing Chairman Ada), principal Dexter Fullo, a student who graduated, a parent of a current student, and the Mayor of Santa Rita (or his representative). The meeting will be to discuss the next steps in responding to a request to rename J. P. Torres Alternative School to J.P. Torres Success Academy.

Board Questions and Concerns:

Mr. Crisostomo stated that he needs to get familiar with the State Strategic Plan (SPP). He mentioned that he would like to come to every meeting with updates on where the department is with safety, curriculum, and facilities goals.

Ms. San Nicolas mentioned that the Board approved the SSP in 2014. The goals are all the way to 2020. What is missing is the information for us to measure our progress; the benchmark should be from year to year and at the end of the school year.

Mr. Lujan mentioned that the Strategic Plan goes all the way up to 2020. There is also a short term on what we need to focus on and a long-term plan; things change as time goes by. He further mentioned that we need to address a couple of years ahead of us. He hopes the committee will work through these issues.

Vice Chair Gutierrez mentioned that she's a little concerned about the audit's comments on non-appropriated funds.

Dr. McNinch mentioned that he had a lot of questions that he would send directly to the Superintendent to make the process easier.

Ms. San Nicolas remembered when Dr. Okada explained middle college and mentioned how she was excited to hear about it. She hopes that when the discussion takes place that dual enrollment will be taken into consideration.

Vice Chair Gutierrez moved, seconded by Mr. Mendiola, to accept the Superintendent's Report and Communication as presented. The Board voted by voice and approved the motion with a vote of 8-0. The motion passed.

Chairman Ada recognized the Board's newest member, Mr. Robert Crisostomo who was recently appointed by the Governor.

2) Head Start Program Director's Report

Ms. Respicio reported that she received an email (copy was provided to the Board before the meeting) this morning from the Region IX informing them that there is an upcoming COLA Grant application. She mentioned that the program plans on applying for which is 1% of the base amount that is about $29, 562.00. The details of the funding guidance have not yet been received being that they just received the information today. She further mentioned that they will need clarification on whether they can apply for these grants towards increments.

She asked the Board for assistance on this particular COLA grant and whether we can apply it. She mentioned that as soon as she receives more information she would like to request for a joint work session for review and discussion.

Ms. Respicio mentioned that they are anticipating some grant amendments for carry-over funds on the program improvement fund. At this time, because of the playground issues in some of the centers/schools, the contract is still going through the process of approval. She further mentioned that because the cutoff date is on June 1, 2017, they may need to roll over the appropriated funds for the improvement of these playgrounds.

Ms. Respicio announced that Head Start's 52nd Birthday is on the 17th of May. Head Start National read a book donated by Scholastics Inc. day. She mentioned that all members are invited to any center to read a book or two. She mentioned that the attendance rate for the month of April increased from 82.68% in March to 84.93%, which is still below the 85% goal. The year to date attendance dropped from 84.97% to 84.93%, which does not meet the 85% program requirement but when they reviewed the data, it indicated a majority of absences were health related.

Ms. Respicio mentioned that interviews were completed recommendations, and justification for filling these positions were submitted for the Social Worker Supervisor (Family Services Manager), Community Development Program Aide, and a Head Start Aide. The status is as follows: A current staff social worker has been detailed as acting Social Services Supervisor, the CDPA position remains unfilled, and the Head Start Aides recommended declined. The PC I who was coordinating Parent Engagement Services rescinded his transfer.

Ms. Respicio mentioned that they had a Parent Transitional conference a couple of weekends ago at the Holiday Resort Hotel. She apologized as they

experienced an unexpected glitch of limited parking due to the high school outrigger canoe races. While the hotel addressed the issue, many families and GEB members had left in frustration. The conference, however, was a success with the 34 parents, 20 children, 22 Head Start Staff (11 support staff and 11 teaching staff, and 9 community partnership information displays, 10 presenters, and 30 GCC Early Childhood students who volunteered in the childcare room and with a demonstration making goop and slime. She announced that the Policy Council meeting is scheduled on June 21, 2017, 6:30- 8:30 pm at Asan Senior, Youth and Head Start Parent Resource Room. She also mentioned that the proposed change to the Head Start 2017- 2018 School Calendar: the program would like to increase the number of days the children attend class from 160 to 168 to provide more instructional time, and be more in line with the DOE Calendar.

Ms. San Nicolas mentioned that she has several concerns. On page 1, she asked how many Head Start aides were interviewed. Ms. Respicio responded that there is one vacancy open and seven potential applicants. Ms. San Nicolas responded that on the report, it appears as if there was more than one position. She asked that the report be corrected to read "Head Start Aide" instead of "Head Start Aides".

Ms. San Nicolas mentioned that she tried to attend the transition conference with valet, trying to find a parking at the church, and at the bank but was unsuccessful. She texted Mrs. Schroeder letting her know she was unable to attend due to no parking. She mentioned that the report shows that only 34 parents attended the conference but on the data that was provided on the End-of-month enrollment shows 534 students. She further mentioned that 30 is a disappointing number for her. She was hoping to see at least 10%. She mentioned that there are schools or UOG that can accommodate a large number of vehicles and rooms. She asked to look into those resources.

Ms. San Nicolas asked, regarding the attendance record report, how many were present and how many were absent? There are schools that have a high number of students that are present and low numbers for students that are absent as opposed to schools that have low numbers of present and high numbers of absentees. She asked to work with the school principals so they can work with the school attendance officers to help the students.

On the proposed Head Start Calendar for next school year. She was wondering there is a need to have an end of the year professional development to put the school year at closure. She proposed to have an end of the year professional development.

Mr. Lujan mentioned that he was glad he attended the Head Start ceremony at Ypao Beach.

Vice Chair Gutierrez asked why the conference can't be held at a school site that can accommodate space, parking, and is free. Ms. Respicio responded that she's not sure but believes it's because it's held on a Saturday because they have parents that work. Vice Chair Gutierrez asked if they tried asking the schools because they just finished having a conference for the Island-wide Board of Governing Students (IBOGS) last Saturday. She mentioned that if the intent is

also to feed the parents during the conference then they should think about having the conference catered at the school site.

Ms. Respicio thanked Mr. Joe Sanchez, Ms. Taitano, Superintendent Fernandez, and the Board. She mentioned that this is their last newsletter for the year "Head Start Coconut Connection" newsletter.

VI. Unfinished Business

1) Simon Sanchez High School Facilities

Mr. Mendiola reported that the committee met with respect to the Simon Sanchez High School Facilities. After hearing from the students, parents, and faculty at the town hall meeting, the board wanted to ensure that they are able to address concerns for the school.

He read GEB Resolution 2017-08 relative to Guam Education Board requesting Guam Legislature to identify available resources in the amount of one million twelve dollars ($1,012,000) to address the critical and urgent maintenance and repair needs of Simon Sanchez High School and to expedite procurement for such purposes.

Ms. San Nicolas mentioned that she just wants to be sure that we have a Plan B.

Dr. McNinch commented that he's in support of the resolution. He mentioned that the bottom line is that the procurement law is a piece of junk and our elected leaders need to have the courage to fix the procurement law and cut the department of education out of the procurement process and craft a bill out of this resolution in such a way to let that school get fixed.

Mr. Mendiola mentioned in terms of looking at the plan that's the reason why they laid out and identify all the areas. There has been a bill that's introduced and one of the things they wanted to ensure was that the verbiage in the law for the proposed bill that would basically allow the department to procure items up to $250,000. With the $430,000.00 that has been identified, they believe that it would be sufficient to at least get the 9 temporary classrooms fixed as well as additional classrooms inside the main building.

Mr. Mendiola moved, seconded by Mr. Lujan to approve GEB Resolution 2017-08 sponsored by the GEB relative to requesting Guam Legislature to address the critical issue at Simon Sanchez High School. The Board voted by roll call and approved the motion with a vote of 8-0 (Yeas: P. Ada, M. Gutierrez, L. Benavente, R. Crisostomo, J. Lujan, R. McNinch, M. Mendiola, and L. San Nicolas. The motion passed.

The Board moved to accept the Head Start Report as presented. The Board voted by voice and approved the motion with a vote of 8-0. The motion passed.

VII. New Business

1) GEB response to Declaration of Financial Status Designation for February 2017

Mr. Mendiola mentioned that this is part of the process where funding comes from DOA and the department is able to pay off some of the existing bills. This is the plan on how the department intends to pay certain services.

He asked the Board for consideration on approving GEB Resolution 2017-07.

Ms. San Nicolas asked if personnel funding was transferred to utilities for power and water. She asked what was impact on that the personnel category on filling desperately needed positions at the school level.

Mr. Mendiola responded that a couple of months ago when the Board put a temporary hold on hiring central personnel with the exception of personnel that directly deals with the schools. He mentioned that nothing has come across the finance committee for additional hiring but did add that school aides and teachers are priority so that is the reason why the Board suspended that so that they can meet their obligations for other areas that they can transfer out of that category.

Superintendent Fernandez mentioned that the beginning of every year based on the appropriations the departments recognizes the short fall in operations. He further mentioned the department has been given the flexibility from the Legislature to transfer authority to ensure the operations are funded. He stated that even if the department got to a certain personnel level, they are not going to get all the positions they need. He further stated that the department held on to central office hiring and continued to fill school based position, but there are still no operational funds. He will continue to look at which transfers are necessary.

Mr. Mendiola stated that funding from the Legislature is categorized for certain things and actually use that funding for purchasing textbooks. He said that the Board should line itemize the 2018 budget in terms of personnel like school aides.

Mr. Mendiola moved, seconded by Ms. Benavente to approve GEB Resolution 2017-07 Relative to approving the corrective financial recovery plan prepared in response to the code C-watch issued by the GDOE Education Financial Supervisory Commission for the month of February 2017. The Board voted by roll call and approved the motion with a vote of 8-0 (Yeas: P. Ada, M. Gutierrez, L. Benavente, R. Crisostomo, J. Lujan, R. McNinch, M. Mendiola, and L. San Nicolas) The motion passed.

2) 2018 NASBE Nomination- Western Region Area Director

Vice Chair Gutierrez announced that it's that time of the year for election of the Board of Directors for 2018 for the region; Guam is part of the Western Region. She mentioned that according to the NASBE Bylaws, to be eligible to serve as an area director, individuals shall

- be a member of a dues-paying state board of education;

- not be in their final year of a term of service on their state board of education; and
- present a letter of support from their state board of education.

She further mentioned that upon reviewing all the Board members, the elected members will end their term in 2018; based on term, Mr. Mark Mendiola will be the only member eligible being that he is now a 3-year appointed member.

Vice Chair Gutierrez nominated Mr. Mendiola to serve for the "Area Director for Western Region" which is comprised of Washington, Colorado, Arizona, New Mexico, California, and Wyoming. She mentioned that the voting will take place or the Area Director during the 2018 National Conference on November 1-4, 2017, in Atlanta Georgia.

She further mentioned that the responsibilities include the following:

- hiring and evaluating NASBE's president /CEO;
- establishing the association's strategic plan;
- approving the association's budget;
- setting priorities for NASBE's services to state boards (e.g., through conferences, projects, research, and communications);
- serving as the voice of state boards in response to education-related events and issues affecting states and the nation as a whole; and
- communicating the issues and concerns of state boards and individual state board members to the association's staff, enabling NASBE to continually refine and target its services to members.

Vice Chair Gutierrez moved, seconded by Mr. Lujan to approve the nomination for Mr. Mark Mendiola to serve as Area Director for the Western Region. Chairman Ada asked Mr. Mendiola if he would accept the nomination by the Guam Education Board for submission to the NASBE Organization to compete with other state representatives for Area Director. Mr. Mendiola responded that he would serve to the best of his ability to represent the Guam Education Board. Dr. McNinch asked to close the nominations. The Board voted by voice and approved the motion with a vote of 8-0. The motion passed.

3) Eligibility for Interscholastic Sports Participations (J.Lujan)

Mr. Lujan reported that he attended a meeting for the IIAAG. He mentioned that he notified the IIAAG of the Superintendent's sentiments on how sports will be governed within the schools. He shared how the United States has regions with different criteria regarding eligibility for participation. He further stated that there are different ways to be inclusive of the different levels of student achievement. He stated that he will propose something that will offer not only the elite students, but students as a whole throughout the department who will find interest and benefit by playing sports. He offered a progressive grading system for eligibility.

Chairman Ada asked Mr. Lujan to work together with Ms. Benavente.

4) Middle College (R. Crisostomo)

Mr. Crisostomo acknowledged Ms. Respicio's earlier report from Headstart. He commented that board members should address issues and concerns with the Headstart staff prior to the board meeting, since there is an opportunity to do so.

Mr. Crisostomo went on and stated that the Middle College is a concept that should be explored because a large percentage of students do not go on to college. He asked what is done for the rest of the population of students to guarantee the public that students are ready for life, ready to enter the job market, and ready to become productive citizens. He stated that they should develop a vocational curriculum that addresses the 70% of students who do not go to college and suggested that the Superintendent and his team develop a committee to look into the matter and meet with Dr. Okada to get a full concept to integrate what the middle college has to offer with what is in the department's inventory to address the vocational skills of students. He stated to the Superintendent that he would like to sit on the committee, as well as work on the strategic plan for implementing this plan with the Superintendent and his team.

Chairman Ada thanked Mr. Crisostomo and stated that they should have a special committee. He asked Ms. Benavente, Curriculum Committee Chair, to be in the special committee. He received confirmation from Ms. Benavente, Dr. McNinch, and Mr. Crisostomo to be on the special committee. Dr. McNinch recommended that the committee be called "Education Futures Committee".

5) Committee Reports
   a) Executive Committee- None
   b) Instructional and Academic Support Committee-None
   c) Safe and Healthy Schools Committee – None
   d) Organizational Efficiency and Development Committee- None
   e) Accreditation Subcommittee- None
   f) Budget & Finance Subcommittee- None
6) IBOGS Report- Cyndal Abad mentioned that the student exchange that they had last week was a success and all schools were involved including J.P. Torres. She stated that they had a seminar for all schools and respective school administrators paid for students' lunches. She further commented that the students now know and understand what IBOGS is and a little more information on what the Board exactly does. She hopes that more students speak out, attend more meetings, and recruit more IBOGS in their high schools.
7) GFT Report –None
8) Mayor's Council Report-None

VIII. Executive Session-

Mr. Mendiola to moved, seconded by Mr. Lujan to go into executive session.

The Board moved into Executive Session 8:29 p.m.

The Board at 9:06 p.m. went into Public session.

IX. Announcements and Adjournment

Chairman Ada and Vice Chair Gutierrez decided to move the regular board meeting date from June 19, 2017 to June 27, 2017, due to Board members who will be off-island. The board meeting will be held at Agana Heights Elementary School Cafeteria.

Ms. San Nicolas moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:09 pm.

MINUTES SUBMITTED BY:

LEILANI M. B. CRUZ
Administrative Officer

Date: 7/9/17

MINUTES OF May 16, 2017 REGULAR BOARD MEETING:
(X) Approved as submitted (Ref:GEB Reg. mtg. June 27, 2017, Supt's Conf. Rm., Bldg.A., Tiyan
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PETER ALECXIS D. ADA
GEB Chairman

Date: _____

JON J. P. FERNANDEZ
Executive Secretary/GDOE Superintendent

Date: 7/10/17