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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 June 27, 2017 regular Board meeting. The meeting was held at Superintendent's Conference Room, Building A., Tiyan.

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

Senseramente,

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GUAM EDUCATION BOARD
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
Tuesday, June 27, 2017
6 pm
Superintendent's Conference room, Building A., Tiyan

MINUTES

VOTING MEMBERS

Peter Alecxis D. Ada, Chairman
Maria A. Gutierrez, Vice Chair
Lourdes M. Benavente
Robert A. Crisostomo
James C. Lujan
Ronald L. McNinch, PhD
Mark B. Mendiola
Lourdes B. San Nicolas

EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS

Ernie Samelo (SHS)
IBOGS Representative

Audrey P. Mandapat (SSHS)
GFT Representative

Mayor, Rudy M. Matanane
MCOG Representative

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

Jon J.P. Fernandez
GDOE Superintendent

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.
Crisostomo, Robert A.
Lujan, James C.
McNinch, Dr. Ronald L.
San Nicolas, Lourdes B.

Non-Voting Members:
Kakas, Talysa (JFKHS)- IBOGS Representative
Mandapat, Audrey P. (SSHS) - GFT Representative –- Excused

Absent:
Mendiola, Mark-Member- Off-Island- Excused
Matanane, Rudy M. - Yigo Mayor and MCOG education liaison-Off-island-Excused

The Superintendent announced that there was a quorum. *(By law, five voting members constitute a quorum. Seven (7) voting members were present for this meeting.)*

Chairman Ada asked if there was a request for an executive session after the meeting. Dr. McNinch indicated "yes."

Ms. Benavente asked if the request for executive session has anything to do with issues identified in Guam Education Board Policy 125.12. Chairman Ada responded that the

request was made and no explanation was given. He stated that any member may ask for an executive session. Ms. Benavente stated, based on Board Policy 125.12 along with 5 Guam Code Annotated, Chapter 8 (Open Government Law), Section 8111, that if the Executive Session had nothing to do with these issues, it cannot be held.

Dr. McNinch commented there are a number of items with which the Board is dealing, and it would be productive if the Board held an executive session. However, he did mention that any 5 members can simply vote to discuss anything they want within those parameters. That would be a majority of the group and in line with Robert's Rules of Order.

Vice Chair Gutierrez expressed her opposition to the motion and indicated that she was concerned by an email sent by Chairman Ada regarding an executive session. The email was not sent to all members, and she asked for the Board to be transparent.

Chairman Ada responded that it is true that he communicated with Vice Chair Gutierrez. She asked what the email was all about and he conveyed to her that several Board members expressed their desire to have an executive session. He mentioned that it was his mistake, and that he was only responding to the members that were asking for this executive session. He mentioned again that any Board member at any time may request for an executive session.

Dr. McNinch mentioned that any member can request for an executive session if they feel one is needed. He further mentioned that this Board has usually, toward the end of the meeting, called for an executive session with no objection. He commented that transparency is extremely very important, and collegiality is very important. He mentioned it is important to communicate and be open with the public about what the Board does. Particular issues within executive session, those are things that should be privileged somewhat so the Board can freely discuss within the given rules and parameters.

Vice Chair Gutierrez asked Legal Counsel for guidance.

Mr. James Stake, Legal Counsel, mentioned that, as Dr. McNinch stated, the Board may vote whether or not to hold an executive session. He stated that the Board cannot, however, discuss salaries or legal matters because that is against the law.

Chairman Ada mentioned that he would like to move this item on the agenda under unfinished business and take a vote on whether the Board should proceed to have an executive session or not. Chairman Ada asked Legal Counsel whether that was the proper order. Legal Counsel concurred.

III. Public Participation

1) Recognition of Retirees

This item was rescheduled to a later date.

IV. Approval of Minutes

1) Minutes on May 16, 2017 Regular Board meeting

Vice Chair Gutierrez mentioned that on page 6, line 230, change "confirmed" to "appointed".

Ms. San Nicolas commented that the minutes were "well proofread".

Vice Chair Gutierrez moved, seconded by Ms. Benavente, to approve the minutes of May 16, 2017, Regular Board meeting. The Board voted by voice and approved the motion with a vote of 7-0. 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.

SCHOOL READINESS

1. Superintendent Fernandez mentioned that there are 50 days to go until the opening of schools on August 17, 2017. He met with administrators and facilities/maintenance to provide guidance with regard to preparations for School Year 2017-18. Schools are reporting on a weekly basis in the following areas:
    - Projected enrollment
    - Personnel vacancies
    - Master schedules
    - Student schedules
    - Deep cleaning
    - Student handbooks
    - Faculty handbooks
    - Student orientation
    - Teacher workday
    - Critical maintenance issues

Mr. Crisostomo inquired if Superintendent Fernandez is working closely with bussing. He mentioned that it was always a major concern at the start of school. He understands that bussing is with another agency, but if there is going to be an issue, it should be identified up front. Superintendent Fernandez mentioned that what they will be focused on is making sure there are sufficient buses, drivers, and making sure they have the information needed to publish the bus routes.

Ms. San Nicolas commented to Superintendent Fernandez that we need to address the status of fire alarm systems, because in the report, it indicated that 21 schools are inoperable. That's a critical area in addressing crisis.

Mr. Crisostomo mentioned that the point is to work with other agencies such as the Guam Fire Department, Department of Public Works, and Department of Public Health to coordinate for the opening of school.

Superintendent Fernandez stated that he was working with Deputy Superintendent Anderson and Vince Leon Guerrero to make sure that all the agencies understand the "adopt a school" responsibilities.

Superintendent Fernandez responded that there is a solid partnership between the administration and GDOE, and the school administrators are the ones who are helping to identify their needs and priorities, in communication with their agency partners.

Chairman Ada commented that normally within 2 weeks before the opening of the school, usually on Saturdays the Government of Guam agencies come in and help. He asked if that schedule was being prepared so that the departments will know where and when to schedule themselves accordingly. Superintendent Fernandez responded that the schedule and the work are usually worked out between school and agency.

Chairman Ada added that it is dependent on whatever school is not going through some construction of some sort that may hamper any painting that has to be done. He further added that's what Mr. Crisostomo was referring to clarify that they are coordinating with all the agencies so they can move forward in a timely manner and come August 17 the doors open.

Mr. Crisostomo asked if all schools are partnered with an agency because he doesn't know of 40 some agencies. Superintendent Fernandez answered that there is a list that is being updated.

2. Simon Sanchez HS summer repairs.
    - Bid submission July 7, 2017
    - Bids open on July 10, 2017
    - Performance bond
    - Contract signed by AG and Governor
    - Issues notice to proceed (late July)
    - 45 days to go, working with contractors
    - SSHS will have contingency plan to ensure opening on time

Mr. Lujan questioned if there was a standard protocol or listing as to how the assessments are made for the schools so that the agencies can conduct their activity. He mentioned that Simon Sanchez has been assessed with the Fire Department, Public Health and other agencies. He asked if the other schools have been assessed in the same manner or is there any type of protocol they can follow.

Superintendent Fernandez responded that this has worked in the past, that there were communication issues, and they were able to address those issues. He stated that he doesn't expect the agencies to come in and redo significant part of the school because there is not a lot of time. He suggested that it's at the administrative level because they are responsible for opening their schools on time and understanding what the needs are. He stated that they have done their own assessments based on the Public Health guidelines.

Mr. Lujan suggested that GDOE get the agencies to come in and establish a protocol so the fault is not GDOE's because we followed the required standards.

Superintendent Fernandez stated that there are 50 days to leverage the resources of the agencies to address any issues related to school opening. He stated that he would flag the key issues that may be in the schools. He stated that what they are

keying in on is the AG's office trying to get an AC contract to get the air conditioners repaired.

Dr. McNinch asked the Superintendent if there was anything the Board can do specifically to get the job done between now and when schools open. Superintendent Fernandez stated he would bring critical issues to the board's attention, such as the progress with air conditioning repair and replacement, Simon Sanchez repairs and renovation, and Oceanview's repairs. He stated that he will bring the Board up to speed once he is able to visit other schools. He mentioned that he would appreciate the Board's support.

Chairman Ada asked the Superintendent if they have called the Fire Department to inspect some of the schools that may be critical or unsafe. He commented that they should not allow their team to go in, make renovations, and miss the critical things that may be a fire hazard. Let us not wait to react, rather let us be ahead of these agencies with the opening of the schools. Superintendent Fernandez responded that GFD would clearly be involved with any work with Simon Sanchez improvements. Deputy Superintendent Anderson stated that GFD will be working and training with the school safety liaisons in July to be able to identify safety hazards in the schools.

Superintendent Fernandez mentioned to Mr. Lujan that the real issue is that the agencies like the fire department and public health have many different priorities so schools may not get the regular visits that enable GDOE to regularly address issues. Mr. Lujan explained that he witnessed a fire that broke out in the gym at Okkodo High School. He stated that he pulled the fire alarm and noticed that nothing came out of the sprinklers. He further commented that he went to the principal, told them there was a fire in the gym and they responded with oh really. He mentioned that he brought up the issue and it was swept under the table. He suggested involving the agencies to write the plan.

Mrs. San Nicolas suggested that training should be provided for support staff. She further commented that the fire department can be consulted on types of training for their in school employees to be able to take action immediately when a need arises. Chairman Ada confirmed that training was ongoing since Monday at the GDOE Safety Conference.

Superintendent Fernandez stated he provided in writing an update on Simon Sanchez High School and summer repairs. He mentioned the bid submission on July 7, 2017 and bid open on July 10, 2017. By late July, GDOE hopes to issue the notice to proceed and work with vendors to expedite the essential work needed to open schools and complete everything within 45 days. He further stated that he is working with Principal Ms. Masnayon on contingency plans to ensure that there are no interruptions at the opening. Chairman Ada stated his concern about the having Simon Sanchez completed before the opening of the school year so they can have a Plan B in place.

SIMON SANCHEZ PROCUREMENT

1. Department of Public Works and GDOE are finalizing scope of work for the procurement, assuming that it will be issued as an IFB or as a multi-step procurement. This will be completed by Thursday.

2. GDOE is informed that legislation has been introduced by Senator Tom Ada (Bill 134-34) that would allow Guam Economic Development Authority to take the lead in this procurement. Mr. Crisostomo asked who is keeping an eye on future construction needs like GW. He asked Chairman Ada if the strategic plan should be a committee on its own because it doesn't fall directly under curriculum. He stated that it involves curriculum, safety and facilities and whoever the group is who is putting this plan together is looking at it systemically and holistically at how the department and the students are going to best served. He commented that they cannot look at Simon Sanchez as the end game. He stated that the end game is getting all 41 schools up to standard to meet the needs of their students and school community. Mr. Lujan commented that it seems that GDOE is piece-mealing the construction or renovations of schools. He mentioned that they need to state that the schools are in dire need of renovation and it cannot be funded by the operating budget. Mr. Lujan commented that the Board should get a master plan together to get all of the schools fixed.

PRE-K EVALUATION

1. The Fiscal Year 2018 budget remains under consideration by the Guam Legislature. We testified in defense of the GEB's budget on July 7, 2017. As part of the budget, we proposed further expansion of our pilot pre-kindergarten program.

2. In order to ensure authority and funding for further expansion, Guam Legislature required submission of an evaluation of the pre-k program. We are scheduling a board work session for first week of July to go over first week of July to go over first two years of implementation.

3. Should we receive authority and funding, we would use the coming months to identify the next four schools to add pre-k and then begin work to ensure adequate facilities, collateral equipment, teachers and supplies. Expansion would not take place until School Year 2018-2019.

MIDDLE COLLEGE

1. Superintendent met with Dr. Mary Okada about potential piloting of middle college. We agreed to establish a joint working committee to work through details, including curriculum, schedule, location, enrollment, funding and related logistics. The working committee will consist of management and key staff of both organizations in order to work through these details. We are seeking one representative from each board, so I ask that the Guam Education Board approve a representative that could serve on this working committee.
2. Mr. Lujan mentioned that he met US Department of Education Deputy Secretary Jason Botelo at the Board Member Conference regarding charter schools. He stated that they can request for a charter school and identify programs that are crucial for Guam. He commented that in the states, middle colleges began at 10th grade. He stated that on students in the 11th grade are offered college course and should be extended to 10th grade students so students finish with an associate degree. He suggested

at an emphasized school, by the time students are in the 10th grade they can attend a pubic charter school that belongs to the department.

Superintendent Fernandez responded that he would needs the Guam Education Board to name a representative that will work with the GCC-GDOE working group. Mr. Crisostomo stated that he would like to on the committee and be the representative for the Board.

CONSOLIDATED GRANT

1. FY 2017 Consolidated Grant Application. GDOE will receive $28 million ($2 million more than prior year) in consolidated grant funding. We have dedicated the increased amount to support more instructional supplies and equipment for students and teachers. We will be reviewing the grant with the Guam Education Board later in July.

2. The FY 2018 President's budget is anticipated to cut up to $8 million in funding to GDOE, lowering the annual amount to $20 million if budget passes as proposed. We will be reviewing adjustments that need to be made, as the cut will be significant.

Ms. Gutierrez stated that there will be a work session on July 17 from 1-3:30 pm. Superintendent Fernandez reported that the US DOE program office will be coming out to Guam in September.

BRIP

1. Superintendent met with Guam Federation of Teachers representative regarding the BRIP. We will be developing a guidance memo that will be sent to all employees in order to identify all valid claims and begin the process for identifying the department's obligations and to identify any needed funding. Memo will be issue at the beginning of the school year.

Board Questions and Concerns:

Ms. Benavente inquired about pages 3 and 49 on the report regarding GW being non-compliant and the timeline was extended, but the school was still non-compliant. Superintendent Fernandez responded that he sent an email to the Jonas, compliance officer, and the deputy superintendent, Erika Cruz, and asked Hernandez-Avilla to update them on what's happening.

Ms. Benavente moved, seconded by Mr. Lujan, to accept the Superintendent's Report and Communication as presented. The Board voted by voice and approved the motion with a vote of 7-0. The motion passed.

2) Head Start Program Director's Report

Mrs. Schroeder reminded the Board of the email that sent to them this morning that showed that they received their grant for next year. She mentioned that the COLA grant is due Friday, June 30, 2017. She added that Board was provided a corrected copy of the grant award that was discussed at the work session that was held on June 21, 2017 at the Policy Council meeting and on June 23, 2017. She apologized for the correction (one paragraph) on page 8.

She mentioned that Ms. San Nicolas and Mr. Sanchez, approved it and brought it to the Board for approval. She stated that she has a copy of the policy council minutes and a copy of the joint resolution. She mentioned that they sent a joint resolution so they understand that the Board approved it and the policy council approved it. Her request to the Board was #1 are there any questions on the grant #2 she would appreciate it if they approved the COLA grant.

Ms. San Nicolas commented that she was pleased to see that the changes that were made; however, Ms. Schroeder explained there was an error and she advised her this morning to send a corrected copy based on the instruction that she received from Region 9 to give it to the Board via email. Mrs. Schroeder will input documents into the Headstart website with all the documents that go with it.

Dr. McNinch suggested that, in the future, for efficiency's sake, it may be better for Headstart be operated as a sub-committee because they report to the Board more simplified and Head start staff is at almost all meetings. Ms. Schroeder responded that there is a section under the performance standards that states that there should be a committee designated by the Board. Once that is decided and the procedures are decided it goes to goes to Region 9 for final review.

Mr. Lujan recommends that they initiate a committee.

Vice Chair Gutierrez commented that Ms. San Nicolas already has a sub-committee for Headstart. She inquired if the meeting was once a month and Ms. Schroeder said once a month. Ms. Schroeder mentioned that the challenge is that the Board meets on Tuesday and reports to the policy council are on Wednesday and then next action of the Board will be a month later. She noted that it has been a challenge this last year or so with grants because they have joint session on the grants. She stated that the policy council is the one that approves first and recommends to the Board. She commented that the Board meeting on Tuesday and policy council on Wednesday is a challenge. She stated that this was something the committee can work out in a timelier manner. She recommended that the committee can come up with a process that they can forward to each other with the office of Head start.

Superintendent Fernandez stated that as the executive secretary he wanted to clarify what the Board is doing so that there is record taken to the next level that there is documentation for the intent of the Board that she may present to Region 9. He suggested that if this is the case to expedite the efficiency that Board go ahead and take into action to establish a committee to oversee Head start. He further stated that with that action they can document the minutes so she can work directly with the committee to forward and work out the details of Region 9 approval.

Ms. San Nicolas moved, seconded by Mr. Lujan, to approve the application for supplemental funding for COLA cost of living adjustment for the Head Start programs in FY 2017-2018. The Board voted by roll call and approved the motion with a vote of 7-0 (Yeas: P. Ada, M. Gutierrez, L. Benavente, R. Crisostomo, J. Lujan, R. McNinch, M. Mendiola, and L. San Nicolas) The motion passed.

Ms. San Nicolas would like to congratulate the Head start director and her staff for the information that was given by the Head start Program congratulating her that they have been granted the Guam Public School System Award.

Dr. McNinch stated that the Superintendent suggested memorializing their intent earlier. Mr. Lujan had a motion to that affect also. Mr. Lujan has to restate the motion. Mr. Lujan tried to make the motion and Chairman Ada stated that it had to be formally stated in language so that it can be recorded.

Mr. Crisostomo asked the Superintendent to help.

Superintendent Fernandez restates Mr. Lujan's motion to approve the establishment on a committee for Head start.

Chairman Ada added that it is an entity of its own. Ms. San Nicolas is chairing that anyway at this point and stated that it is a continuation.

Superintendent Fernandez commented that it has to be memorializing because in the past it was confused whether it is a liaison in Head start or is it one person or a committee. He stated that it should be stated for the record and move forward.

Ms. Schroeder commented that she remembered a committee and she worked directly with the committee.

Mr. Lujan moved, seconded by Dr. McNinch, to approve the establishment on a committee for Headstart. The Board voted by voice and approved the motion with a vote of 7-0. The motion passed.

Ms. Schroeder mentioned that Mr. Lujan suggested that they have a forward plan. She will forward to the Board a copy of a proposed calendar that which lists the activities for Head start for the month, the actions the program has to do with the Board and policy council. She stated that she will have that ready to forward to the Board.

Chairman Ada asked she if she is anticipating any increases in Head start and also will there be any increases in the sites.

Ms. Schroeder responded that there will be no increase in enrollment and no increase in sites. She stated that they are really stretched as it is. She stated that because of the hiring freeze she has 2 federal positions that are still frozen and it has been approved that Angela Cruz to be the next Family Services manager for Head start. She mentioned that she would like to be able to spend the funds and have her official with the new grant if it's possible. She commented that she respects the hiring freeze, but it's beginning to task her staff.

Ms. Schroeder mentioned that it was unclear if the Headstart calendar was approved. She stated that they approved the reports, but she wasn't clear if the changes on the calendar was approved. The only changes that were made was extending the number of days that they are providing instructional support to the children from 160 to 168. The only parts of the calendar that were removed was Head start specific. They still follow the DOE calendar, but they pulled out the specific items that they will make adjustments to accommodate the 168 days. She asked for clarification if it was approved or as part of approving her report or do they need to approve it again.

Ms. San Nicolas responded that they accepted the report which included the calendar. She stated that in Schroeder's email, Schroeder questioned her concern over professional development. She mentioned that the professional development is at the end of the calendar year to put that into a closure of the existing year.

Ms. Schroeder stated that she followed the DOE calendar. This year they ended professional development prepping for next year. Head start issued them performance standards and wanted to ensure that staff fully understood what was needed before school starts. Ms. San Nicolas stated that the calendar was accepted.

Ms. Schroeder stated that Mr. Ybarra from Region 9 retired. She mentioned that they will be sending him a memory card and asked if any of the Board members would like to write on the card.

Mr. Crisostomo asked for clarification on the sub-committee for Head start. He asked if there was a quorum.

Chairman Ada stated that they will make that clarification and will be discussing that.

Superintendent Fernandez stated that there is a committee that has been established at this point Ms. Lou San Nicolas is the chair of the committee until further notice. She will work together to determine what details need to be worked out regarding operation of that committee. He stated that the Board will assign additional members. He stated that when a committee is established and in future Board meetings, the committee will make a report to the Board on behalf of Head start.

Ms. Schroeder stated that she will itemize what will be on the report.

a) Head Start Cola Grant

The Board approved the grant.

VI. Unfinished Business

1) Simon Sanchez High School Facilities
Superintendent Fernandez briefed the Board on his highlights.

2) Board/Union Contract Update
Chairman Ada mentioned that he met with Attorney General Barrett-Anderson and Deputy Attorney General Ken Orcutt this morning and inquired the status of the Board Union Contract. According to Deputy Orcutt he said, it's still being reviewed by solicitation within the Attorney General's Office.

Vice Chair Gutierrez asked the Chairman to kindly write a letter to the Attorney General because the Board Union Contact on March 7, 2017, at C. L. Taitano Elementary School. She asked why their prolonging the contract? If they have any question they should have referred back to the department right away. She

mentioned that it was an agreement as a contract that was put together by GDOE and the Union. She further mentioned that it is so unfair, the school year is going to start and the teachers have no contract.

Chairman Ada mentioned that he will send a letter tomorrow to the Attorney General to kindly push it because it still as another process and that is the review by Governor Calvo for ratification.

Chairman Ada mentioned that there was a request for an executive session and according to legal counsel, the Board has to vote to have an executive session.

Vice Chair Gutierrez requested to move up #3 Pilot Evaluation Courses before moving into executive session.

VII. New Business

1) Board Committee approval

Chairman Ada mentioned that there was request by Mr. Mendiola to wait until he returns so the Board can meet has a whole.

Dr. McNinch asked the Board if the two new ex-officios Mrs. Audrey Mandapat, GFT representative and Talysa Kakas, IBOGS representative have an interest in serving with the Board on one of the committees to inform the chair of the committee.

Vice Chair Gutierrez commented that the IBOGS will be meeting next week to elect the officers. She mentioned that the IBOGS serves under the student conduct committee.

Dr. McNinch suggested if the Board can consider a little modification to these appointments for the next time the Board meets. He nominated Mr. Crisostomo to be in charge of "strategic planning". He further mentioned that the Board can add that as point of discussion or an appointment. He also suggested under building, grounds, and facilities to add "sports and recreation" to Mr. Lujan's sub-committee.

Chairman Ada responded that there was a request from Mr. Mendiola for consideration until he returns. Dr. McNinch responded that he's not suggestion to approve it but to make a nomination.

Chairman Ada stated he made appointments already but it was never approved as a body but it has been functioning all along. He mentioned that he asked Dr. Ron McNinch to take the lead on board policy, procedures & policy manuals, and federal programs; Mr. Mendiola for budget and finance; Mr. Lujan for building, grounds, and facilities; Vice Chair Gutierrez for NASBE, personnel, and regional

meeting; Ms. San Nicolas for board union contract, Head Start, and Accreditation; Ms. Benavente for Curriculum and teacher certification; Mr. Crisostomo for Evergreen Solutions, school calendar, and strategic planning.

Vice Chair Gutierrez mentioned that Mr. Mendiola emailed the Board on June 21st requesting for consideration until he returns on July 15, 2017, so the Board can discuss together being that there are some things to delete or add.

Chairman Ada mentioned that although his name was on the email, he stated that he personally did not receive it.

Mr. Crisostomo commented that he doesn't see the violation to discuss some of it tonight so that the Board doesn't have to spend another 4 hours when Mr. Mendiola returns.

Chairman Ada responded that Mr. Mendiola was only asking for consideration so when he returns we will continue with the committee assignments. He mentioned that there are times when we have a meeting and only 1 or 2 members are present.

Ms. Benavente stated that board policy 125.12 (115) the chairman appoints the standing committee. She mentioned that what need to be voted on are the special committees. Sub-committees doesn't need to be voted on according to board policy but it's been the Board's practice to vote on it. She further mentioned that the chairman needs to appoint (doesn't need to be voted on) according to board policy.

Chairman Ada stated that he used the same approach and it was mentioned that we cannot continue because it was never approved as a whole. He mentioned that he wants to accommodate everyone so we will wait until Mr. Mendiola returns but in the meantime, the Board already has their standing committees.

2) Pilot Pre-Kindergarten Evaluation Report

Not discussed

3) Pilot Evaluation Courses

Ms. Benavente stated there was a work session and Guam History was approved to be offered in middle school. If the course is approved, students who took Guam History in middle school will not have to take History of Guam course in high school.

Mrs. Beth Perez, Assistant Principal at Untalan Middle School commented that she was representing Vince Leon Guerrero because he was off-island. She is currently working with Mr. Leon Guerrero to pilot the program. She stated that they have worked on the course syllabus and have connected with high school Guam History teachers to share that what they're teaching is in line with the

department's curriculum map on Guam History. She mentioned that at the end of the course, the student-parent survey was given. She mentioned that the students who have enrolled through the course indicated that it was challenging and the teacher provided day-to-day opportunity to give them that rigor just like at the high school. She commented there is no question that if this course goes through the kids will never be shortchanged because what they will be covering each quarter is the exact same content the high school kids are going to cover as well. She mentioned that there was discussion that if Johnny passes it and he is successful, they will forward the listing to the respective high school and that covers the requirement for Guam History. She stated that they hope they get the Board's support on this.

Mr. Crisostomo asked what would be taken away in the middle school.

Mrs. Perez responded that it will be an elective and it will allow the kids to be a step ahead. Teachers who will teach Guam History will be certified to teach the course and several high school teachers have stated that they were interested. She commented that the law states that Guam History can be taken at the middle and secondary level, so when students take Guam History in middle school, it will fulfill the requirement of the law. It benefits the students because now as they prepare kids for post-secondary education and the work force it gives the students a huge opportunity because they can enroll at UOG.

Ms. San Nicolas asked what plan Mr. Leon Guerrero has to transfer this information to the students that are taking this course to the high school because Guam history is a required course for graduation. She wants make sure there's duplication of the teaching of the course when the students transition into high school.

She did mention that Mr. Leon Guerrero really mobilizes his students to participate in the National History Day and that he is a proactive teacher and very supportive.

Mrs. Perez responded that the administrators for curriculum are to generate the data at the end of the school year and ensure that the listing is provided to the respective high school.

Mr. Lujan asked if this require board policy to make that change.

Chairman Ada responded no. He commented that he recalls that if a student in the middle school did not take Guam history, they are required to take it in the high school. If a student says, I took the course in middle school then they'll have to go back to that school and retrieve the data that shows he took that course and now that student will be able to take another course which is not Guam history but he already met that requirement.

Ms. San Nicolas mentioned that, that's an issue that needs to be dealt with. If a student takes this course at UMS, does that mean he doesn't have to take Guam History in high school because Guam history is a required course for graduation.

Mrs. Perez responded that it was a point of discussion with Deputy Sanchez. She mentioned that she believes that the point that Mr. Sanchez was trying to make was the reason why it's required as a graduation requirement is because that's

how the department opt to comply with the law to operate at the secondary level and attach that credit and let the students know that in order to graduate you need to take Guam History.

Ms. Benavente moved, seconded by Mr. Lujan, to approve the pilot course middle school Guam History. The Board voted by voice and approved the motion with a vote of 7-0. The motion passed.

Ms. Arlene Castro, teacher at Untalan Middle School stated she worked with students who had high productivity levels and the results from the pre and post data from first through 4th quarter showed growth. She commented that it provides a positive role model for the entire school and she look like to continue the AP science program.

Ms. San Nicolas responded that she wants to ensure the tracking of these students in high school that they continue to take AP science courses because eventually when they take the national exam and pass then they can get high school and college credits from some most universities and colleges she knows of.

Ms. Benavente moved, seconded by Mr. Lujan, to approve the pilot course for Pre-AP science for 6th, 7th, and 8th grade in the middle schools. The Board voted by voice and approved the motion with a vote of 7-0. The motion passed.

Ms. Joanna Payumo, teacher at Simon Sanchez High School mentioned she piloted world geography blended. She explained that blended is meeting the kids once a week face-to-face and their assignments or assessments are contained on a learning management system similar to UOG. She stated meets with the kids during their lunch on Monday and if they cannot meet with her on Monday, they can meet with her within the week. She commented that students can access their assignments online using Canvas Instruction. She mentioned that kids are able to earn additional 7 credits at the end of the school year and got an early recruitment from FBLG in April 2016. She stated that these kids are potential students who are going to take English 9 Honors. She commented all 18 students were successful and it prepares them for college or any university that has online or blended classes they would like to take. She mentioned that it also prepares students for the work force using the management system in terms of training their employees.

Ms. Benavente moved, seconded by Mr. Lujan, to approve the pilot course for World Geography Blended. The Board voted by voice and approved the motion with a vote of 7-0. The motion passed.

4) GEB response to Declaration of Financial Status Designation for March and April 2017

Deputy Superintendent Taitano explained that the Board is aware on a monthly basis they meet with the EFSC, which is composed of DOA, BBMR, Legislature and the OPA. She stated that they they provide the most recent expenditures. She mentioned that they take that and forecast it to see where they will be at the end of the fiscal year. She explained that the report covers March and April, although at the end of April were projecting surplus at the end of the year because there are 3 categories where they are showing shortfalls. She stated that they have been issued a few watches, which requires a financial recovery

plan as well as a resolution. She mentioned that one of the reasons there is a shortfall on contractual is because originally they funded contractual out of TEFF and utilities out of the general fund. She explained that this is because at the beginning of the fiscal year when they met with the Board, they were told that they were not going to get any TEFF money until the real estate taxes would start to come in. She mentioned that because they need to pay their utilities monthly, they budgeted the utilities-power and water- payment under the general fund. She stated that when the TEFF money has come in DOA asked to reclassify so that the utilities come out of the TEFF and pay contractual from the general fund. She explained that's why they see a large shortfall because they are trying to catch up with accounting and make sure budget and expenditures match. She stated that it should be resolved in the next month.

Vice Chair Gutierrez responded that she spoke to Mr. Mendiola and Taling regarding the budget and Taling said to highlight whatever from the EFSC. She stated Taling said to move to approve and there is no need for a work session.

Vice Chair Gutierrez moved, seconded by Mr. Lujan, GEB Resolution 2017-10 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 months of March and April 2017. The Board voted by voice and approved the motion with a vote of 7-0. The motion passed.

Chairman Ada mentioned that there was a request for executive session.

Mr. Crisostomo made a motion to hold an executive session.

Mr. Crisostomo moved, seconded by Dr. McNinch, to go into executive session. The Board voted by roll call and approved the motion with a vote of 5-2 (Yeas: P.Ada, R. Crisostomo, J. Lujan, R. McNinch, and L. San Nicolas. Nay:M. Gutierrez & L. Benavente,). The motion passed.

5) Committee Reports
   a) Executive Committee- None
   b) Instructional and Academic Support Committee- Ms. Benavente mentioned that the pilot pre-k work session is scheduled for July 7, 2017, p.m. at Superintendent's Conference Room. She mentioned that she is working closely with Deputy Superintendent Sanchez on board policy, review, revision, and affirmation and they have a timeline on the board policies that need to amended or updated.

      She mentioned that there is one more pilot course that she was unable to have a work session on due to death in the family. It was for Personal Finance Management which she scheduled a work session.
   c) Safe and Healthy Schools Committee – Mr. Lujan mentioned that he received an email from the Principal of JP Torres with the committee on naming of the school. He recommended that because the principal was the one handling the findings and reporting that he should be the one chair the committee. He added that by July he should a response on how we're going to conduct a public hearing.
   d) Organizational Efficiency and Development Committee- None

e) Accreditation Subcommittee- Ms. San Nicolas mentioned that she is not aware of any Guam schools receiving six years but she is aware that some of our schools that were visited received 6R. She stated that wants to make sure that the public understands that there is a clear distinction between 6 years and 6R because there is a difference. 6R means that the schools get 6 years with a mid-cycle review (after the 3 year, 2 members from the original visiting committee comes and does a check on the recommendations that they have left behind). She further mentioned that very few schools in the nation receives 6 years without the R.

Superintendent Fernandez mentioned that Ms. San Nicolas suggested that in the beginning of the school year that the department takes the opportunity to recognize all the schools that went through the accreditation process within the past year. He further mentioned that the department recently received the results of the school and there was not an opportunity to thank and recognize the schools contribution to that important work over the cycle. He added that what they will do is schedule opportunities to go out to the schools that completed it and congratulate them.

f) Budget & Finance Subcommittee- Vice Chair mentioned that a budget and finance committee will be scheduling a work session and working on the organizational chart as soon as Mr. Mendiola returns.

6) IBOGS Report- Taylsa reported that this present week the IBOGS (excluding THS and GWHS) met and they will be meeting again at Okkodo HS helping with the school safety training.

7) GFT Report – Mrs. Mandapat thanked Superintendent Fernandez for the update on BRIP as well the Board Union Contract. She requested to the chairman to include in his letter for a deadline to answer to him.

8) Mayor's Council Report-Chairman Ada mentioned that he spoke with Mayor Matanane regarding his appointment as the representative because Board members are asking why he has not been showing up at the meetings. He stated that Mayor Matanane would be present at the next Board meeting.

Mr. Crisostomo asked if the department is getting agencies to collaborate up with the schools are the mayors' actively connected to the schools because he has not heard anything about that and that is a key resource in the village that should be exploded because that's what he's there for.

Chairman Ada asked Superintendent Fernandez if the mayors' are still responsible for the mowing of the lawn of the schools.

Superintendent Fernandez responded yes, the mayors' have the responsibility for maintaining the grounds. He mentioned that one of the biggest request is to ensure that grass cutting is done right before the beginning of the school year.

Mr. Crisostomo asked that a recognition ceremony of some type from the Board and GDOE thanking them for their service.

Ms. San Nicolas commented that as she goes to the schools regarding accreditation to review their reports, she sees that many of the schools are not proactive in reaching out to the mayors. She mentioned that she has made suggestions to the schools and it's dependent on the leadership of the schools. Some are very aggressive in engaging the mayors to be apart of the events and some just send invitation. She added that the mayors are resourceful and will help the schools.

VIII. Executive Session-

Mr. Crisostomo to moved, seconded by Dr. McNinch to go into executive session.

The Board moved into Executive Session 8:28 p.m.

The Board at 9:01 p.m. went into Public session.

Dr. McNinch moved, seconded by Mr. Lujan, to working with the Superintendent's office to arrange a form of community mediation within the Board possibly through Inafa'maolek or other agencies and use the resources to affect mediation within the next month on internal mediation concerns. The Board voted by a show of hands and approved the motion with a vote of 7-0.

IX. Announcements and Adjournment

Dr. McNinch stated that in the past 2 weeks, he got together with the Guam Chamber of Commerce and he will be meeting with them this week on working better with their Board and supporting the Board. He asked Mr. Crisostomo, Mr. Lujan, Superintendent and whoever would like to come to the meeting with the Guam Chamber of Commerce. He mentioned that he will come back to the Board with a date and time.

Ms. San Nicolas asked what is the purpose.

Dr. McNinch responded that they will talk about career programs and partnerships.

Mr. Lujan moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:04 pm.

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Attack stymies Israel goodwill efforts

JERUSALEM (AP) – Israel revoked on Sunday the permits of 200,000 Palestinians to enter Israel that were approved for the holy month of Ramadan following two near simultaneous Palestinian attacks on police that killed a young female officer near Jerusalem's Old City.

Israeli defense body COGAT, posted the announcement on its Arabic language Facebook page. Earlier, Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu said that preparations are underway to destroy the homes of the Palestinian attackers and tighten security at the entrance to the Old City, home to sensitive holy sites sacred to Jews, Muslims and Christians.

Three Palestinian attackers armed with an automatic weapon and knives assaulted officers on duty near the Old City in two locations Friday evening.

Police said Staff Sgt. Maj. Hadas Malka, 23, was rushing to respond to that initial attack nearby when a Palestinian assaulted her with a knife. Malka wrestled with the man for several seconds as he stabbed her multiple times before other officers saw what was happening and opened fire, killing him, police said. She later died of her wounds in hospital.



CLASH: *Israeli border police arrest a Palestinian during clashes in the West Bank village of Deir Abu Mash'al near Ramallah on June 17. Israel security forces raided the village a day after an attack in Jerusalem killed a police officer. The three Palestinian attackers were from the village. Nasser Shiyoukhi/AP*

The Islamic State group took responsibility for the attacks but two Palestinian militant groups, Hamas and People's Front for the Liberation of Palestine, quickly retorted the three attackers were their members and accused IS of trying to undermine their efforts.

Thousands attended her funeral Saturday night. Netanyahu visited her grieving family on Sunday. He said Malka is "everybody's daughter and everybody's hero."

Earlier, at his weekly Cabinet meeting, Netanyahu lashed out at Palestinian leader Mahmoud Abbas for not condemning the attack.

Israel had previously announced its annual goodwill measures for Ramadan that included 200,000 thousand visiting permits for family visits for Palestinians from the West Bank and access for 100 Gaza residents to attend prayers at Jerusalem's Al-Aqsa Mosque.

COGAT said the visiting permits were canceled but the prayer permits remain unchanged.

There was no official comment from Palestinian President Mahmoud Abbas.

Osama al-Qawasmi, a spokesman for Abbas' Fatah party said "When Netanyahu ends his occupation, all the problems will end, but as long he continues occupation and land confiscation and building settlements on our land ... the conflict will continue."

Friday's deadly attack affected thousands of families across the West Bank who planned to visit relatives o Ramadan holiday.

Layali Othman, 37, from Ra said her family received a permit holiday and had planned to vis and Jerusalem.

Netanyahu criticized the Pale government for not condemni attack.

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