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Superintendent of Education

April 20, 2018

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Speaker Benjamin J.F. Cruz

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Honorable Benjamin J.F. Cruz
Speaker, 34th Guam Legislature
155 Hesler Place
Hagåtña, Guam 96910

Dear Speaker Cruz:

Håfa Adai! I am submitting the Guam Education Board packet for the Regular Board meeting scheduled for Tuesday, April 24, 2018, 6 pm, at the Supts. Conf. Room, Bldg. A, Tiyan.

Should you have any questions, please contact me at 300-1627.

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8th Guam Education Board
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
Tuesday, April 24, 2018
6 PM
Superintendent's Conference Room, Building A., Tiyan
AGENDA

I. Meeting Call to Order

II. Approval of Minutes

ACTION 1. Minutes of March 27, 2018 Regular meeting

III. Public Participation (BP 125.6) Time Limit 3 minutes

IV. Communications

INFO 1. Correspondence
INFO 2. Superintendent's Report and Communication

V. Ex-Officio Member Reports

1. IBOGS
2. GFT
3. Mayor's Council of Guam

VI. Unfinished Business/ Committee Reports

1. **Executive Committee**

ACTION a. Revision of Attendance Areas
INFO b. NASBE Nomination Update

2. **Instructional & Academic Support Committee**

INFO a. Head Start Report
INFO b. Joint Calendar Committee

3. **Safe & Healthy Schools Committee**

ACTION a. Mesh Bag Policy

4. **Organizational Efficiency and Development Committee**

5. **Fiscal Management**

INFO a. Update on FY18 Budget / FY19 Budget
INFO b. Report on U.S. DOE Meetings

6. **Ad-Hoc committee on Furlough and School Year 2018-19**

VOTING MEMBERS: Maria A. Gutierrez, Chairwoman, Mark B. Mendiola, Vice Chair, Peter Alecxis D. Ada, Lourdes M. Benavente, Robert A. Crisostomo, James C. Lujan, Ronald L. McNinch, PhD, Lourdes B. San Nicolas
EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS: Ernie Samelo (SHS), IBOGS Representative, Mark McCarthy (AHES), GFT Representative, Mayor, Rudy M. Matanane, MCOG Representative
EXECUTIVE SECRETARY: Jon J. P. Fernandez, GDOE Superintendent

VII. New Business

ACTION 1. Part B/Part C Grant Application

VIII. Executive Session

The Board of Education reserves the right to go into executive session during any part of the meeting. Based on the Open Govt. Law specific matters can only be discussed. (Personnel Matters, Collective Bargaining Agreement, Contracts, and Litigation).

IX. Adjournment

Residents rush to file returns, not optimistic about refunds

By Tihu Lujan
tihu@postguam.com

Last-minute taxpayers enjoyed shorter lines and an easier process when they went to file or pay their taxes Monday at the Department of Revenue and Taxation in Barrigada.

On the eve of today's tax-filing deadline, the line was short and moved quickly.

"It was very good. I was in and out," said Josephine Cruz, a resident of Mangilao. She waited for about 10 minutes, but did note a longer line on her way out.

Rev and Tax opened satellite locations in the center courts of the Micronesia Mall and Agana Shopping Center on Monday and today as a convenience for tax filers.

While Cruz isn't expecting a refund, she hopes the government of Guam prioritizes mailing out refunds in a quicker manner for those who do receive.

"The expectation is on the taxpayer to pay on time, so the expectation should be the same for the government," she said.



FILERS: *Island residents stand in line waiting their turn to file their taxes April 13. Dontara Kereskes/The Guam Daily Post*

Residents lower standards



Tim Torres

Tim Torres, 32, agrees that GovGuam should pay refunds faster. He's lowered his standards for government performance in recent years after routinely receiving his refund late.

"I'm used to it, it's kind of a way of life already, and it's the same thing over and over again," said Torres, a resident of Barrigada. He added, however, that he's observed refunds being mailed out more quickly in recent years.



Isabel Borja

Isabel Borja, 51, also lost expectations for receiving her refund on time. She's unsure whether she'll receive one after filing this year, but hopes to find out sooner, rather than later.

"We don't want to be too optimistic about it, and then it doesn't come through," said the Dededo resident. "I just wait until it comes out, but you get used to getting it late. It's always been this way for years already."



Sam Obina

Sam Obina, 39, is one resident who filed his taxes as soon as he got his hands on his W-2 income statement form. He visited Rev and Tax on Monday, pleased to not have to worry and wait in line.

"We just get it out of the way so we don't have to deal with that crazy line, but they're moving pretty quick," said Obina, also a resident of Dededo.

Despite the two additional satellite locations Rev and Tax opened, Obina believes the process could still be more convenient, and even comfortable, for the taxpayer.

"For me, I'm fine," he said, "But not all of us are able to run away from work to get this done. It takes time and money away from us."

'More lines and more help' needed



Ruth Parmar

Ruth Parmar, 54, is one taxpayer who said she had to jump through hoops to file her taxes this year. She hopes Rev and Tax will consolidate more of its services when it does open satellite locations.

"I know I shouldn't have waited until the last minute, but they need to have more lines and more help," the Dededo resident said. "There are five windows (open), but only two people are working. They don't have any system."

While the line for tax filing was short, the lines for tax payment took some time.

She stopped at the Agana Shopping Center satellite location early Monday morning to get her taxes done, but was disappointed to find out they don't accept payments.

Parmar then stopped by the Treasurer of Guam at the Department of Public Works One Stop Center to pay, after being advised by Rev and Tax staff in Hagåtña, but was set back again due to their payment processing machine being down.

After the detour, she waited in line for more than an hour at Rev and Tax in Barrigada before she could finally pay what she owed. Frustrated, she filled out a recommendation slip before leaving for the day, around noon.

"Why can't we do it all at one desk?" she said. "It's never one stop."

Where to file

Taxpayers have until 5 p.m. today to file their taxes at Rev and Tax in Barrigada. Residents can also visit satellite locations in the center courts of Micronesia Mall and Agana Shopping Center between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. Extension forms are available.

Those who are making payments can visit any Treasurer of Guam location: Department of Revenue and Taxation in Barrigada; Department of Administration, Treasurer of Guam on the first floor of the ITC building in Tamuning; and Department of Public Works One Stop Center in Upper Tumon.

The department also will have a drop box available at its front entrance for those who wish to file after 5 p.m. Any forms dropped after midnight will be considered filed after the due date.

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Chamorro Land Trust Commission

The Chamorro Land Trust Commission Board Meeting will be held on **Thursday, April 19, 2018 at 1:00 p.m.**, Department of Land Management Conference Room, 3rd Floor of the ITC Building, 590 S. Marine Corps Drive, Tamuning.

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The Port Authority of Guam Board of Directors will hold its regular Board Meeting on **Thursday, April 19, 2018 at 11:45 a.m.**, at the Board Conference Room, Port Authority of Guam, Cabras Island, Piti. Individuals with disabilities who may need special accommodations may contact Mr. Simeon Delos Santos, ADA Coordinator at 477-5931-4, ext. 430.

Minutes

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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. Mark B. Mendiola, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

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:
Mendiola, Mark B. - Chair
Gutierrez, Maria A.- Vice-Chairwoman
Ada, Peter Alecxis
Crisostomo, Robert
Lujan, James C.
McNinch, Dr. Ron L.
Benavente, Lourdes M.

Non-Voting Members:
Samelo, Ernie (SHS)- IBOGS Representative

Legal Counsel:
Nasis, Jesse

Absent:
San Nicolas, Lourdes B. – Excused
Mandapat, Audrey P. (SSHS) - GFT Representative -Unexcused
Matanane, Rudy M. - Yigo Mayor and MCOG education liaison - Unexcused

The Superintendent announced that seven (7) members of the Board were present, constituting a quorum.

Mr. Mendiola stated that he wanted to move things around on the agenda to recognize some individuals.

Mr. Fernandez stated that there might be an opportunity to address this issue with the Mayor's Council once the committee has met. He noted that the Mayor's Council had requested a report from the Department on the school attendance areas. He stated that he informed Christie that the Department should be ready to present to the MCOG on the attendance areas at their April MCOG meeting and that we may be able to tie this issue into that presentation and present our feedback on the grass cutting issue.

Mr. Lujan stated that, at the last meeting with the MCOG, one of their main reasons for wanting to discontinue the grass cutting was because the allotment provided to the MCOG was not enough to maintain grass cutting at the schools. He mentioned that the MCOG requested for an updated amount for how much it would cost to cut grass at all 41 schools so that the allotment could be increased.

3) Speaker Cruz's invitation for testimony – The Superintendent wanted to inform the board of the invitation received by Ms. Gutierrez from Speaker Cruz's Office regarding testimony on Bill 261-34. He noted that he would address it during his presentation of the Superintendent's Report.

4) Superintendent's Report and Communication

Teach of the Year (TOY) Gala – The Superintendent reminded the Board of the TOY Gala on April 20, 2018 at the Hyatt. He informed them that they could work with Christie if they would like to attend the event.

Facilities – Mr. Fernandez informed the Board that the Attendance Area Committee would conclude its briefings to management this week. He stated that the committee is working on setting up a time to brief the Board. He mentioned that Christie is setting up a time for a meeting on Tuesday afternoon for the Committee to go over the attendance area findings. He also mentioned that they would like to brief the affected mayors. He noted that Ms. Gutierrez also recommended that, once the Board briefing is complete, we coordinate with the mayors to schedule stakeholder meetings in the community.

Invitation from Speaker Cruz – Mr. Fernandez clarified that the invitation received was to testify on Bill 261-34 on Monday, April 2, 2018, at 1 pm. Bill 261-34 increases the tax on real estate improvements. He continued that the percentage increase would go to a GDOE maintenance fund for the sole purpose of maintaining GDOE facilities. He stated that it was estimated that this legislation could raise approximately $10 million for our facility needs. He acknowledged that in the past we have been supportive of any bill that would set aside funding to support our department.

Annual Technical Assistance Meeting in DC – He informed that Board that from April 16th to the 20th, they would be out in DC for the Annual Technical Assistance meeting for the Consolidated Grant. The news from DC is that the budget that Congress passed did not reflect the reductions that the President had proposed in education. In fact, we may see an increase. Once the department staff scrubs the budget, they will be able to give us a proposed allocation of funds based on the bill that was passed. In April, we should get a better picture about the next federal fiscal year, and then we can bring that back and share it with the Board. In addition, what we will be requesting is the Chairman's presence, as we plan to discuss our high risk situation special conditions with appropriate officials in USDOE. By then, we hopeful that they will have a draft letter in hand and be prepared to give us some guidance and response with regard to our requests to be removed from special conditions.

Mr. Fernandez brought to the Board's attention the schedule at the end of his report, noting that there are many events around mid-April. He mentioned that the WASC visiting teams would be meeting with the Board and the Management Team. Some of the meetings will overlap with each other so we may need to have some assignments. Mr. Mendiola agreed and noted that he has asked the board members which accreditation meetings they would be able to attend but he was still waiting for them to confirm. He noted that Christie would work out the schedule for the full accreditation reviews to ensure that there is Board participation at the meetings.

VI. Unfinished Business

Ms. Gutierrez requested that the board take a moment of silence for Chief Master Sergeant John Martinez who passed away. She stated Mr. Martinez was very instrumental on the work that was done for the JROTC credit.

1) Instructional & Academic Support Committee

a) JROTC and PE Credit in High School

Ms. Benavente informed the Board that, in their board packet, they would find the proposed resolution for consideration relative to allowing the inclusion of two (2) years of Air Force or Marines JROTC to be substituted for one (1) Physical Education Credit. Additionally, the resolution approves having the Air Force JROTC students having the option of substituting one (1) Science credit after the completion of four (4) years of Air Force JROTC if they did not already substitute the PE credit.

She noted that the GEB Curriculum Committee met on three separate occasions with students and teachers to get input from them. Ms. Benavente read the draft Resolution 2018-005 into the record.

Ms. Benavente moved, seconded by Ms. San Nicolas, to approve Resolution 2018-05 Relative to approving the granting of one Physical Education Credit for Junior Reserve Officers Training Corps (JROTC) courses and further to allow granting Air Force JROTC students a science credit after completion of four years of JROTC where a PE credit has not been granted. The Board voted by voice and approved the motion with a vote of 7-0. The motion passed.

b) NASBE Stipend Grant Application

Ms. Gutierrez informed the Board that she received an email in early March from NASBE. She noted that she sent the application to Mr. Joseph Sanchez and Ms. Eloise Sanchez so they could prepare the application to see if we would be considered for the grant. Ms. Gutierrez gave a brief history of the grants that the Guam Education Board has been awarded since 2013. She noted that this current grant is for $14,000 and the deadline to be submitted is March 30th to the NASBE office. She requested the the Board approve the application so that the Department could be awarded this grant for the Early Childhood Education Program.

Ms. Gutierrez moved, seconded by Ms. Benavente, for the approval of the Early Childhood Education NASBE Stipend Grant Application. The Board voted by voice and approved the motion with a vote of 7-0. The motion passed.

Ms. Gutierrez called attention to a form from NASBE that was passed out before the meeting. She informed the Board that the form was a Call for Nominees. She stated that this is done annually before the annual conference and whoever is selected is honored during the conference. She briefly went over the forms and deadlines. She then requested that the Chairman appoint Dr. McNinch to over-see the nomination process.

Mr. Mendiola appointed Dr. McNinch to oversee the responsibility of the NASBE Call for Nominees.

2) Fiscal Management

– FY2018 Budget Reductions – Mr. Mendiola updated the Board stating that the Tax Bill was signed into law. He stated that we are waiting for what that dollar figure is going to look like in terms of revenue for the department. He continue that the Superintendent reported that there is a pro-rata share that we have to take a look at in terms of our cuts, but we continue to advocate with the Legislature and the front office with respect to receiving all the funding necessary to operate our schools for the remainder of the fiscal year. He mentioned that he would be calling for a work session in the upcoming weeks as information is released. He stated that he would like to go back out with the Superintendent with respect to some of the issues that the Ad Hoc Committee is addressing and combine both efforts. He stated that he would like to bring the information out to the community for them to understand the direction that we will be taking in the upcoming weeks and months.

Mr. Ada then commented that he wanted to zero in on the 32 hour work week for the Department, he stated that frankly speaking, we don't want to do that, because it is very painful. He continued stating that we need to be prepared. He stated that if it does happen, we don't want to find out that we missed the requirement to notify employees, but if it doesn't happen, we will be grateful. He commented, addressing Mr. Lujan, stating that he comes from a small agency but they didn't have to go out and tell everyone what they are doing, but they did their part also.

Ms. Gutierrez commented that she agreed with Mr. Lujan at the last meeting when she announced that she had reservations about that motion. We gave the Superintendent authority and this recommendation by the AdHoc Committee is just a recommendation. She commented that she hopes the media puts out an accurate statement, that it is a recommendation from the Committee. It was the recommendation that was made by two members, not the Board as a whole. She stated that she respects the AdHoc Committee's recommendation but why do we have to put our employees, who are working for education through this. She apologized to the AdHoc Committee stating that she is sorry, but if they were to ask for support of their recommendation, she would not support it. She stated that she would not support anything and she hopes the Superintendent will reconsider and stand up for the employees.

Mr. Crisostomo stated that he just wanted to put things into perspective, this is just a plan. He stated that he is a worst case scenario type of person, the worst case scenario you have to plan for which is a $100 million dollar deficit next year. He continued stating that he believed that FY18 is covered but it's FY19 that bothers him. He commented that the Legislature needs to focus on revenue generating solutions before they make cuts.

Mr. Ada commented that what worries him the most right now are the special education kids, their one to ones and what's going to happen to those kids.

Mr. Mendiola commented that there are a lot of people who are passionate about their position. He stated that we have to continue this dialogue, with the consequences that come with the decisions we are making we have to be very clear with the public. We are still going to maintain that position that anything that comes from the Department should come from the Superintendent or the Chairman of the Board or the designee. He emphasized the importance of everyone to be a part of the process. In order for us to move policy forward, we need to continue to advocate for our children, especially the children who are marginalized. He commended the IBOGS for stepping up and being active in the education process.

Dr. McNinch stated that he wanted to echo what he said about the IBOGS, they did a great job. He stated that it would be great if our leaders simply take education off the table.

VII. New Business

1) **Travel to U.S. DOE Meetings –** Mr. Fernandez stated that the Annual Consolidated Grant Technical Assistance Meetings will be having from April 16 through April 20. He explained that a major topic on the agenda is trying to remove the special conditions placed on the department. He stated that they informed Risk Management Services at USDOE that they would be sending a draft letter to them for feedback. He stated that this is the first opportunity to put something before them and get some feedback. He stated that the idea is to raise the conversation up in terms of the level of who is involved, such as with the Deputy Secretary or Secretary.

Ms. Gutierrez moved, seconded by Mr. Lujan, for the approval of the Chairman or designee to travel to U.S. DOE Meetings regarding High Risk and Special Conditions. The Board voted by voice and approved the motion with a vote of 7-0. The motion passed.

Mr. Mendiola clarified for the record that it is federal funds that will be used to pay for the travel.

Ms. Gutierrez announced that the IBOGS will be hosting their annual seminar on May 6th. She also mentioned that they are soliciting raffle prizes and would appreciate any donations.

Ms. Gutierrez moved, seconded by Mr. Lujan to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed.

Mendiola moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:36 p.m.

MINUTES SUBMITTED BY:

_____ **Date:** _____

CHRISTIE SAN NICOLAS
Acting, Administrative Officer

MINUTES OF MARCH 27, 2018 REGULAR BOARD MEETING:
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MARK B. MENDIOLA
GEB Chairman

JON J. P. FERNANDEZ
Executive Secretary/GDOE Superintendent

Date: _____ **Date:** _____

Communications

TAMUNING-TUMON-HARMON MUNICIPAL PLANNING COUNCIL

RESOLUTION NO. 2018-002

Introduced By:

Mayor Louise C. Rivera
Vice-Mayor Kenneth C. Santos
Javier Atalig
John Brown
John Camacho
Vince Camacho
Leo Casil
Antonio Charfauros
Rosanne Lastimoza
William Nault
Gregory Perez
Robert Perron
Faustino Punzalan
Ronald Taitano
Danilo V.A. Tinsay

A RESOLUTION OF THE TAMUNING TUMON HARMON MUNICIPAL PLANNING COUNCIL, TERRITORY OF GUAM, REQUESTING THAT CHIEF BRODIE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL BE CONVERTED INTO A MIDDLE SCHOOL.

WHEREAS, the Tamuning, Tumon and Harmon Municipal Planning Council ("TaTuHa MPC") met at its regular monthly meeting on the 9th day of March 2018; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Louise C. Rivera, Chairwoman of the MPC presented a long time request of over 20 years from residents in the community to have the Chief Brodie Memorial Elementary School converted into a much needed middle school.

WHEREAS, the middle school students in this community have traversed too far for so many years enduring long drives to and from Dededo Junior High, to Ordot - Agueda Johnston Middle School, and currently to Piti, Jose Rios Middle School.

WHEREAS, the Municipal Planning Council understands the financial shortfall our Government is currently facing and desires improvement and upgrading for the best use and development of Chief Brodie Elementary School as it is currently under enrolled.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Tamuning Tumon Harmon Municipal Planning Council at its regular monthly meeting held on the 9th day of March 2018, with a unanimous vote do hereby support the upgrade by the Guam Department of Education to convert Chief Brodie Elementary School to a Middle School.

GFT, AFT Local 1581
Together We Win!

Sanjay Sharma, President
Corazon Mucho, Secretary
Timothy Fedenko , Vice President
James Lujan, Treasurer

13 April 2018

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Mark B. Mendiola, Chairman
Guam Education Board
Guam Department of Education
500 Mariner Avenue
Barrigada, Guam 96913

Dear Mr. Mendiola:

Buenas yan Håfa Adai! As required by law, Chapter 3, of Title 17, Guam Code Annotated, Relative to the Duties of the Guam Education Board; Section 2. Subsection (c) of §31 02.3 of Article 1, Chapter 3 of Title 17, Guam Code Annotated, (2) one (1) member appointed by the exclusive bargaining unit which represents teachers and other employees within the Department; in replacement of Audrey Perez-Mandapat, GFT hereby appoints Mark McCarthy, GDOE Faculty Union member as the non-voting member of the Guam Education Board.

If you have any questions, please call our office.

Si Yu'os Ma'åse.

Sincerely,

Sanjay Sharma
President

cc: GEB Members
Jon Fernandez, Superintendent

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Ex-Officio Member Report

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April 17, 2018

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

GDOE SEEKS COMMUNITY INPUT ON REASSIGNMENT OF ATTENDANCE AREAS; VILLAGE MEETINGS BEGIN NEXT WEEK

The Guam Department of Education invites all stakeholders to attend reassignment of attendance area village meetings set to begin on Wednesday, April 18, 2018.

The village meetings aim to obtain stakeholder feedback on proposed attendance area changes.

The GDOE Reassignment of Attendance Areas Committee has been meeting with the Guam Education Board, school principals, Department of Public Works and village mayors to obtain input on how best to configure attendance areas so that they best serve students and families. The committee would like to hear from as many students, parents and guardians as possible.

The village meetings will take place at the respective school cafeterias on the following dates and times:

Date and Time	Venue	Target audience areas
Wednesday, April 18, 2018 6:00 p.m.	Agueda I. Johnston MS	Elementary school students • Pago Bay Middle school students • Route 15 (from Adacao to Kinney's) • Old Price Road • South of Leyang Road to Dairy Road
Monday, April 23, 2018 6:00 p.m.	Vicente SA Benavente MS	Middle school students • Mogfog • Macheche • Liguan Terrace • Carlos Heights • Hamburger Road • Harmon Industrial Park
Wednesday, April 25, 2018 6:00 p.m.	Finegayan ES	Elementary school students • Summer Homes • Chalan Bada • Ironwood Estates • Upper AsTumbo

For more information about upcoming village meetings, please contact your child's school directly.

- END OF STATEMENT –

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UPDATE LETTER

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Thursday, April 26, 2018 6:00 p.m.	Daniel L. Perez ES	**Elementary school students** • Bordallo Subdivision • Pacific Latte • Atsadas • Nissho Terrace • GHURA 506

Jon J. P. Fernandez
Superintendent of Education

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Catherine M. Schroeder
Program Director, Head Start

Guam Head Start Program
Program Director's Report
April 2018

In accordance with Section 642 (d)(2) of the Head Start School Readiness Act of 2007 (P.L. 110-134), the DOE Guam Head Start Program is required to report specific information to the Guam Education Board and the Guam Head Start Policy Council on a monthly basis.

Financial(s): (Attachment A)

As of March 31, 2018 the program expended and encumbered 65.14 % of its budget.

Enrollment Information / Reports: (Attachment B)

The attendance for March was 88.13 %which is up a percentage point from February 87.09% Year to date attendance has met the 85% enrollment objective at 86.1% The program family services staff have been working with those families whose children have chronic absences.

The program currently had 49 children with a disability in the classroom in March which brings our current enrollment below the 10% requirement Children on the waitlist have declined enrollment.

Meal Report: Reports for February and March will be submitted next month

Program Information: (Attachment C)

Registration has begun at the Dededo Community Health Center

Staffing: Interviews and recommendations for the Head Start Aide and Community Program Aide vacancies have been completed. The only vacancy at the moment is the School Health Counselor under the local budget. There is one resignation effective April 6 for a Community Program Aide.

Asan Senior, Youth, and Head Start Parent Resource Center. The meeting room remains available for Policy Council and Head Start functions.

Hawaii / Outer Pacific Training Report: (attached)

Student Progress Report: The report below shows the percentage of students meeting age expectations who will be attending Kindergarten next year. The end of the year report will be submitted with the June report.

Department of Education
Office of the Superintendent
Date: Time:
Rec'd By: 30406 02
Print Name Signature

Domain	Fall 2017	Winter 17-18
Social Emotional Development	50%	87.5%
Physical Development	57.87%	90.2%
Language Development	47.5%	81.8%
Cognitive Development	45.23%	83.4%
Literacy	41.79%	79%
Mathematics	31.87%	71.6%

Communications: Office of Head Start:

Training and Technical Assistance (T/TA): Brian Te'o, Region 9 Management Specialist provided support and training to the management staff and HS mentor coaches from March 6-8 in identifying the programs strengths and challenges. Training and supports continued while in San Francisco at the Hawaii / Outer Pacific training

Program Calendar and Announcements: April 24- May 31

Members of the Guam Education Board and DOE Management Team are welcome to attend all Head Start activities.

Date	Event
April 18	Policy Council Meeting: 6:30 – 8:30 Asan Senior, Youth and Head Start Parent Resource Room:
April- May	Transition to Kindergarten activities
May 14	No Classes: End of year assessments and Home Visits
May 16	Policy Council Meeting: 6:30 – 8:30 Asan Senior, Youth and Head Start Parent Resource Room:
May 24	Last day of Class: Certificate Day
May 25,29,30	Professional Development
May 31	Teacher Work Day

Action Request: None at this time.

Submitted: April 5, 2018

C M Schroeder

Catherine M. Schroeder: Program Director

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Joseph L. M. Sanchez: Deputy Superintendent of C&II

4/9/18

Jon J.P. Fernandez Superintendent of Education

Row Labels	Sum of ORIGINAL APPROP	Sum of REVISED BUDGET	Sum of YTD EXPENDED	Sum of MTD EXPENDED	Sum of ENCUMBRANCE/REQ	Sum of AVAILABLE BUDGET	% USED	% AVAILABLE
BASIC GRANT								
32010								
0111 FTE Salary	1,739,971.00	1,664,446.00	1,017,731.69	114,969.85	-	646,714.31	61.15%	38.85%
0113 Substitute	2,100.00	2,100.00	-	-	-	2,100.00	0.00%	100.00%
0114 LTE Salary	247,696.00	247,696.00	248,355.79	30,703.03	-	(659.79)	100.27%	-0.27%
0121 Benefits	779,635.00	730,809.00	468,650.59	53,347.48	-	262,158.41	64.13%	35.87%
0222 Mileage	6,800.00	6,800.00	2,141.71	68.13	-	4,658.29	31.50%	68.50%
0230 contractual	76,443.00	71,443.00	26,591.45	201.00	7,170.56	37,680.99	47.26%	52.74%
0240 supplies	74,900.00	173,448.00	25,887.50	12,164.09	85,058.07	62,502.43	63.96%	36.04%
0250 Equipment	9,000.00	19,000.00	5,719.99	-	9,200.00	4,080.01	78.53%	21.47%
0290 MISC	500.00	500.00	17.25	-	-	482.75	3.45%	96.55%
0450 Capital	46,500.00	46,500.00	-	-	45,900.00	600.00	98.71%	1.29%
0710 indirect Cost rate	19,187.00	19,187.00	-	-	-	19,187.00	0.00%	100.00%
32010 Total	**3,002,732.00**	**2,981,929.00**	**1,795,095.97**	**211,453.58**	**147,328.63**	**1,039,504.40**	65.14%	34.86%
T/TA GRANT								
32030								
0221 Off island travel	20,000.00	55,424.86	42,606.83	26,925.92	-	12,818.03	76.87%	23.13%
0222 Mentor Mileage	1,600.00	1,600.00	150.33	-	-	1,449.67	9.40%	90.60%
0230 contractual	23,000.00	12,575.14	7,665.00	-	2,250.00	2,660.14	78.85%	21.15%
0240 supplies	1,394.00	1,394.00	-	-	-	1,394.00	0.00%	100.00%
32030 Total	**45,994.00**	**70,994.00**	**50,422.16**	**26,925.92**	**2,250.00**	**18,321.84**	74.19%	25.81%
17 Total	**3,048,726.00**	**3,052,923.00**	**1,845,518.13**	**238,379.50**	**149,578.63**	**1,057,826.24**	65.35%	34.65%

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End-Of-Month Enrollment - March 2018

Head Start

	Operated this month	*Last day of services provided*	*All clases/options in session*	*Reported Enrollment*	*Funded Enrollment*	*Status*
	Yes	Mar 31, 2018	Yes	534	534	Reported
Initially Reported:	On 04/01/2018 by Enrico Pegarido					
Last Updated:	On 04/01/2018 06:38:18 PM, EST by Enrico Pegarido					
Grantee Comments:	Total Enrolled in Class: 528 Total Vacancies Within 30 Days: 6 Total Vacancies Over 30 Days: 0 Total Vacancies Replaced After 30 Days: 1					

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Travel Report
Hawaii/Outer Pacific Training
March 19 – 23, 2018

March 19, 2018: Regional Updates: Region IX reviewed the 4 priorities of the region.

- **Pyramid Model:** Social Emotional Supports and staff wellness
- **School Readiness**: curriculum fidelity, CLASS scores (Minimum scores expected are Emotional Supports 6; Classroom Organization 6: Instructional Supports 3
- **Data Analysis**: Monitoring and Community Assessment
- **Professional Development**: Coaching/Mentoring and staff retention

March 19 – 20: Data Boot Camp 2.0 Presentation by the National Center for Program Management and Fiscal Operations

The Management wheel was presented describing each component and the correlation between operations and using data in the decision making and planning process for the program.

Discussion evolved around:

- 4 steps to data: Prepare. Collect, Aggregate and Analyze, Use and share
- Leadership in Data Management which leads to Quality Child and Family Outcomes
- Using Data for Quality Improvement as a Continuous process
- Using the HS Management Wheel to design coordinated approaches to data in implementing quality services.

Resources provided:

- Building a Data Culture
- Management Wheel
- Tools to assist with planning and analyzing current status
    - Data Inventory matrix
    - Using the Wheel to Design coordinated approaches to services in Training and professional development, management of data, participation of children who are DLL and their families and children with disabilities (performance standard mandates)
    - Assessing Analytic Capacity

- Format for drilling down data and root causes.
- Discussions about Effort and Effect: How do we know? What was the impact?
- Data informed budgeting
- Dasycenter.org for visualization techniques

March 21: Workforce Enhancement: (1 Hour) Presentation by the County School District of Stanislaus.

- Provided their action plan, forms on obtaining resources for staff to obtain the necessary qualifications for their jobs.

March 21 – 22: Pyramid model training:

- **Building Relationships and creating supportive environments**
- **Targeted Social Emotional Skills**

These two days dealt with Tier 1 and II of the pyramid model detailing requirements and strategies to monitor, mentor, and teach necessary skills within the ECE classroom. Mr. Roybal talked and provided strategies all the following topics. Many we do, but he expanded on them.

Building Relationships and creating supportive environments: Key topics
Fidelity of implementation: need 90% effort for effect

- Managing personal stress
- Importance of building relationships: several strategies were expanded beyond common practices.
  - Not using the words :no, stop, don't
  - How to be specific with praise – add an anchor, be specific at what is a 'good job"
  - Remember 5 plus statements needed to counter 1 negative statement
    - Emotional piggybank (bucket filler) what is + what is –
- Design elements of a positive supportive environment which would help prevent behaviors:
  - Physical design
  - Schedule and Routines
  - Transitions
- What is engagement

Targeted Social Emotional Skills

- Social skills need to be taught before there is emotional literacy.
- Discussion about grown and development expectations of preschoolers.
- Toxic stress and negativity on behaviors: the 5:1 deposits. If a child arrives with a – 20 there needs to be 100 + to reach 0 – behaviors will improve as + is given
- Bully and bad behavior is a sign of needing connections
- Provided tons of strategies for classroom and any environments.

Other Events: Every day there was a grantee planning session where we reviewed the training, looked at what the program might do with the information and developed a plan of action.

Part of our debriefings included our Mental Health Plan and what supports we need from OHS to address our challenges this past year with children, and families.

The team met with Jan Len and the T/TA providers for R9 to identify supports for the program. Brian Te'o and Arlene Cura will be providing additional training and support to the program to improve challenges in the area of behavior and mental health consultations. There is an action plan plus the additional 30/60/90/120 plan to Quality Improvement Plan

March 23: Closure and grantee presentations on next steps.

Guam's plan is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

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Catherine M. Schroeder
Program Director

Expected Outcome	Strategies	Responsibility	Timeline	Measure of Success
Improvement planning across services will be supported by the findings of analyzed data.	The program will use data to analyze needs of the program, children and families. Train staff on the whys of data review and analysis and how it will improve their services to the children and family. Form a cross services data team to discuss and review data, and develop a data plan which will address: concerns identified on the Analytical Capacity Assessment Generate necessary data for the Community assessment Update data inventory to new format Use the Visualization Tool Kit to report information to the different stakeholders.	Management Team Data Team which will include each service area: MIS, admin staff, Family Services, Teaching Staff, Health. Emeritus members may include Deputy Superintendent, GEB liaison and PC member	May, June, August Pre-Service Form Team May. Monthly meetings	Improved outcomes and intentional interventions Plan of action Minutes of meetings and discussions Community Assessment Data Revised data inventory
Staff will teach social skills and emotional literacy as a means to prevent challenging behaviors	Using the information provided by the Pyramid model tier 1 and II training the mentors with supports from management team will; Train and mentor staff on proactive strategies (learning environment) and methods to teach social skills (ie. 4	Education Services Staff	Pre-Service Training in August	Reference book

	touch points, W.A.S. H. emotional piggy bank) Provide reference manual for resources and quick reminders. Train and explain why of Fidelity using Second Step Curriculum Implement a Behavior referral system: Track behavior incidents for documentation and to Initiate an preliminary referral for intervention by mentor coach			Training packet Behavior incident report and SOP for referral for Social Emotional concerns
Staff needing information and supports to meet job qualifications will have received information	The program will continue to work with Guam Community College for those staff working towards their Family Services and ECE credentials. The program will explore other options and provide those resources to staff needing them The program will survey needs of staff to develop a potential cohort for training	Management	Ongoing discussions	References Completed survey Enrolled staff

The proposal for this policy is located on the final page of this document, all information prior to the proposal is information for both sides of the argument.

Disadvantages of **mesh** bags:

1. Privacy:
    a. Mesh bags revealing student property that should not be in view. (I.e. Female personal sanitary items and male personal items).
    b. Personal items stolen because of easy exposure.

2. Personal:
    a. Fashionable expression of student
    b. Lack of differentiation (taking others' bags in error)
    c. Athletes who bring non-mesh duffels have to pay to get clearance to keep it in the locker room.

3. Safety:
    a. The idea that mesh bags prevent contraband bows to the idea that a small group is a representation of everyone.
    b. Some people have an insecurity of prying eyes.
    c. Drugs, weapons, and other items or contraband can still be carried in a purse or lunchbox, or be concealed on the person or within clothing items.

4. Quality:
    a. Mesh design makes the bags susceptible to breaking.
    b. Contents of the bag soaked by wet weather, or accidents.
    c. Mesh bags cost more than typical non mesh bags, typically $30 or more.
        i. A new mesh bag has to be purchased every year because of the mesh breaking/deteriorating.
        ii. Does not protect materials within the bag from weather/environmental problems.
        iii. In terms of sports, mesh duffle bags are challenging to find on Guam. The only one available in the past years are the ones sold by KFC. Besides that, some students order their mesh duffel bags online and it will cost them more than buying on-island.

5. Not durable/versatile-- students with an overloaded schedule tend to have more than one textbook. Due to the low level of versatility of the mesh bags, it could break easily in any course of time.

6. Alternative to mesh-bags include clear and plastic bags, which break more easily than mesh-bags.

7. Contraband can, and is commonly still brought in by students-- easy to hide by wrapping the contraband with another item, such as a cloth or fabric.

GUAM DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
Unaudited Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Encumbrances for Fiscal Year 2018
March 31, 2018

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J
FY 2018 GDOE Appropriation	Original Appropriation	Adjustments	Total Appropriations /1 (B + or - C)	BBMR Unallotted Balances	BBMR Releases	GDOE Expenditures	GDOE Encumbrances	Available Balance (F - G - H)	Cash Received
General Fund - Operations	214,310,861	-	214,310,861	100,244,622	114,066,239	100,015,161	5,129,770	8,921,308	98,761,307
Chamoru Studies	401,207	-	401,207	200,435	200,772	124,269	-	76,503	-
Pre-K	1,054,596		1,054,596	588,710	465,886	-	-	465,886	-
Maintenance & Repairs	500,000	-	500,000	250,000	250,000	-	-	250,000	-
Textbooks	1,500,000	-	1,500,000	-	1,500,000	695,729	-	804,271	-
1st Generation Trust Fund	100,000	-	100,000	100,000	-	-	-	-	-
Guahan Academy Charter School	4,810,000	-	4,810,000	4,810,000	-	-	-	-	-
iLearn Academy Charter School	2,967,922	-	2,967,922	2,967,922	-	-	-	-	-
subtotal	225,644,586	-	225,644,586	109,161,689	116,482,897	100,835,159	5,129,770	10,517,968	98,761,307
SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS									
TEFF-GDOE Operations	4,353,375	-	4,353,375	1,132,252	3,221,123	1,156,901	282,566	1,781,656.41	3,218,872
PLRF - Public Library Resources Fund	996,946	-	996,946	498,472	498,474	38,217	11,491	448,765.98	415,395
HHF - Interscholastic Sports Fund /5	520,000	-	520,000	262,154	257,846	351,401	110,801	(204,356.34)	298,846
HHF - Busing /5	92,000	-	92,000	-	92,000	-	-	92,000.00	-
HHF - Health & Physical Education	279,754	-	279,754	139,873	139,881	-	-	139,881	91,590
SPORTS FACILITY (LIMITED GAMING)	608,518	-	608,518	304,259	304,259	-	-	304,259	-
subtotal	6,850,593	-	6,850,593	2,337,010	4,513,583	1,546,519	404,858	2,562,206	4,024,703
TOTAL GDOE APPROPRIATION /1	232,495,179	-	232,495,179	111,498,699	120,996,480	102,381,678	5,534,628	13,080,174	102,786,009
TEFF - JFK MAINT. & CAP. Add'l Rent /2	1,568,000	-	1,568,000	-	1,568,000	1,568,000	-	-	1,568,000
GENERAL BOND OBLIGATIONS	272,432	-	272,432	-	-	-	-	272,432	-
ADEQUATE EDUCATION TRUST /4	73,096	46	73,142	-	-	-	-	73,142	73,142
FEDERAL GRANTS /3	54,461,428	32,719,043	87,180,471	-	-	25,366,333	21,116,253	40,697,885	24,096,712

NOTES

/1 Report based on current year funding activities. As of March 2018, cash allotment balances owed to GDOE totaled $18,210,471.

/2 JFK Capla payment of $1,568,000 in rental payment, was recorded against TEFF - GDOE Operations account on behalf of GDOE.

/3 USDOE Accounts Receivable is $2,013,689.95. (Payroll $1,892,817.04; Travel $120,872.91).

/4 Adequate Education Trust Account indicated a balance of $73,142 (adjustment due to interest).

/5 Combined total for HHF $612,000 (includes Interscholastic Sports and Busing)

Source: Unaudited Financial Statements
Prepared by: Helen C. Legaspi
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Date : 04/04/18

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New Business

Executive Session