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February 27, 2019

The Honorable Lourdes A. Leon Guerrero
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Honorable Tina Rose Muña Barnes
Speaker
Thirty-fifth Guam Legislature
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Dear Governor Leon Guerrero and Speaker Barnes:

Håfa Adai! Pursuant to Public Law 31-233, Section 38, *Reporting Requirements for Boards and Commissions,* attached are copies of the Guam Education Board's meeting agenda, approved minutes and other documents as discussed at the February 26, 2019 regular board meeting. The meeting was held in the Gallery, DOE Building B, Tiyan.

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

Senseramente,

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cc: Chairman and Members, Guam Education Board
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9th Guam Education Board
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
Tuesday, February 26, 2019
6 PM
Gallery, Building B, Tiyan
AGENDA

I. **Meeting Call to Order**

II. **Approval of Minutes**

ACTION 1. Minutes of January 25, 2019 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**

INFO 1. IBOGS

INFO 2. GFT

INFO 3. Mayor's Council of Guam

VI. **Unfinished Business/ Committee Reports**

1. **Executive Committee**
   a. Committee Liaisons
   b. Policy Review
2. **Instructional & Academic Support Committee**

ACTION a. Head Start Report

3. **Safe & Healthy Schools Committee**

INFO a. Interscholastic Sports

INFO b. Central Middle School

4. **Organizational Efficiency and Development Committee**

INFO a. Ad-Hoc Special Committee – Nepotism (Update)

5. **Fiscal Management**

INFO/ACTION a. Update on FY19 Budget / FY20 Budget

INFO b. US DOE High Risk

VII. **New Business**

INFO/ACTION 1. Naming of JFK HS JROTC Classroom

ACTION 2. GEB Resolution 2019-04 – National School Counseling Week 2019

VIII. **Executive Session**

VOTING MEMBERS: Mark B. Mendiola, Chairman, Maria A. Gutierrez , Vice Chairwoman, Lourdes M. Benavente, James C. Lujan, Ronald L. McNinch, PhD
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EXECUTIVE SECRETARY: Jon J. P. Fernandez, GDOE Superintendent

Charity: Side effects of war kill 300 babies every day

LONDON (Thomson Reuters Foundation) - Starvation, disease and a lack of aid are killing 300 babies a day in war zones around the world, with the number of children caught up in conflicts nearing a 30-year high, Save the Children said on Friday.

Afghanistan, Yemen, South Sudan, Central African Republic and Syria were among the worst conflict zones for children in 2017, the charity concluded from an analysis of U.N. data for the five years to the end of that year.

In all, more than 500,000 babies died during the period from the knock-on effects of conflict - hunger, hospital attacks and reduced aid - according to the data, which excludes those killed in attacks.

"From Yemen to Syria and South Sudan, children are bearing the horror of armed conflict," said Kevin Watkins, head of Save the Children, in a statement.

Yemen's almost four-year war has killed tens of thousands of people, caused the economy to collapse and brought millions of people to the brink of famine, according to the United Nations.

Children there are at risk of malnutrition, diarrhea, cholera, and diphtheria - a disease that spreads as easily as the common cold, said Save the Children.



UNITY STATE: *Women hold their babies as they wait for a medical check-up at a United Nations International Children's Fund supported mobile health clinic in Nimini village, Unity State, South Sudan, on Feb. 8, 2017. Reuters file photo*

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Five million children in Africa have died over the last 20 years because armed conflict deprived them of access to basic healthcare or clean water, the Lancet medical journal said in a report last year.

Save the Children said a fifth of all children worldwide - about 420 million - lived in a conflict zone in 2017, 30 million more than the year before and the highest number since 1990.

'Grave violations'

It said the U.N. data showed the number of "grave violations" against children - from sexual violence, armed recruitment and restricting aid - rose to a record 25,000 in 2017 from 10,000 in 2010.

"Some are treated as collateral damage in urban bombing. Others are deliberately targeted for killing, abduction and recruitment by armed groups. Millions go hungry because humanitarian aid is obstructed," Watkins said.

"The war on children must end, and those who commit crimes against children will be held to account," he added.

Trump's choice for UN ambassador withdraws

WASHINGTON (Reuters) - President Donald Trump's choice for ambassador to the United Nations, Heather Nauert, has withdrawn from consideration for the job for family reasons, the State Department said on Saturday.

Nauert was State Department spokeswoman when Trump chose her for the U.N. position after working as a host for the conservative-leaning Fox News Channel. She had been criticized by Democrats for her lack of diplomatic experience.

"The past two months have been grueling for my family and therefore it is in the best interest of my family that I withdraw my name from consideration," Nauert said in a State Department statement.

The statement did not specify the hardship on her family but The Washington Post said Nauert's husband and children had remained in New York while she was working in Washington.

A person familiar with the matter told Reuters Nauert withdrew from consideration because she had a nanny who was in the United States legally but did not have the proper work visa. Nauert was not immediately available for comment.

The role of U.S. ambassador to the United Nations is a highly visible international position. While Nauert had little diplomatic experience, other nations with veto power on the U.N. Security Council are represented by ambassadors with decades of foreign policy work.

"She's clearly not qualified for this job but these days it seems that the most important qualification is that you show up on Donald Trump's TV screen," Democratic Sen. Chris Murphy said of Nauert on CNN in December.

U.S. Ambassador to Germany Richard Grenell, previously the longest serving U.S. spokesman at the United Nations, is among the possible replacements for Nauert as nominee, a person familiar with the matter told Reuters.

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IX. Adjournment

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Minors.

J.S.P CASE NO. JP0330-17
SUMMONS

TO: MR. WELSIN ARON, Biological Father
(For the minors, D.C.B., DOB: 12/19/2015, and Z.J.B., DOB: 08/05/2017)

You are hereby summoned to appear before the **HONORABLE LINDA L. INGLES,** Judge, Guam Judicial Center • Superior Court of Guam • 120 West O'Brien Drive • Hagåtña, Guam on **TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 26TH, 2019 AT 10:00 A.M.** for a **Progress Hearing.** The Judge, will, at this time of this hearing, inform you as to the status of the above-named minors.

YOUR PARENTAL AND CUSTODIAL DUTIES AND RIGHTS CONCERNING THE CHILDREN WHO ARE THE SUBJECT OF THE ATTACHED PETITION MAY BE TERMINATED BY AWARD OF PERMANENT CUSTODY IF YOU FAIL TO APPEAR ON THE DATE SET FORTH IN THIS SUMMONS.

Dated: December 26, 2018

Clerk, Superior Court of Guam
By: /s/ Ciera J. Williams
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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. – Chairman
Gutierrez, Maria A. – Vice Chairwoman
Benavente, Lourdes M. (via video-conference)
Lujan, James C. (via tele-conference)
McNinch, Dr. Ron L.

Non-Voting Members:
Laxamana, Julie – IBOGS Representative

Legal Counsel:
Nasis, Jesse

Absent:
McCarthy, Mark D. – GFT Representative
Matanane, Rudy M. – Yigo Mayor and MCOG Education Liaison

The Superintendent announced that five (5) members of the Board were present, constituting a quorum. The Superintendent also noted that a representative from Senator Nelson's office was present, Ms. Michelle Untalan.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Ms. Gutierrez motioned, seconded by Mr. Lujan, to approve the December 19 2018, regular monthly meeting minutes. The Board voted by voice with a vote of 5-0 for the motion, motion passed.

III. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – None.

Ms. Gutierrez stated that she would like to request to amend the agenda.

Ms. Gutierrez motioned, seconded by Mr. Lujan, to amend the agenda to move the New Business – Election of GEB Officers item up before Communications. The Board voted by voice with a vote of 5-0 for the motion, motion passed.

IV. NEW BUSINESS

1.) Election of Officers

Nominations for Chairman

Ms. Gutierrez nominated Mr. Mark Mendiola as Chairman for the 9th Guam Education Board. Ms. Benavente seconded the nomination. The Board voted by voice and approved the motion with a vote of 5-0. The motion for Mr. Mendiola to be Chairman passed.

Nominations for Vice Chair

Mr. Lujan nominated Ms. Maria Gutierrez as Vice Chair for the 9th Guam Education Board. Dr. McNinch seconded the nomination. The Board voted by voice and approved the motion with a vote of 5-0. The motion for Ms. Gutierrez to be Vice Chairwoman passed.

Ms. Gutierrez thanked her colleagues and stated that she will do her best.

Mr. Mendiola announced the official 9th Guam Education Board leadership positions, Chair, Mark B. Mendiola, Vice Chair, Maria Gutierrez and their Executive Secretary, Superintendent Jon Fernandez. He stated that he appreciates the confidence and the support from his colleagues. He stated that he knows they have a lot of work before them and they are both up for the challenge and will do their best to maneuver and navigate and do what is necessary to move our department forward working with the Superintendent.

V. COMMUNICATIONS

CORRESPONDENCE

Mr. Fernandez noted that the Head Start Report would include some of the correspondence regarding the Head Start Grant.

Ms. Gutierrez stated that she understands that there is a public hearing next week. She asked the Superintendent if the Board or the Department would be providing testimony at the public hearing.

Mr. Fernandez responded that the Board should have received the testimony from the Department. He noted that we have not been invited to testify but we submitted our position on the bill that would amend the language on the Appropriations Act. He stated that it is his understanding that some of the agencies have been invited, including DOA and Revenue & Taxation.

Mr. Mendiola stated that he appreciates the reminder from Ms. Gutierrez and that it is in line with their Budget and Finance Committee Meeting. He stated that he would make sure that they're present and invite their colleagues to join them to clarify whether the Department would receive additional funding. He thanked the former Chairman of Education, Senator San Agustin for reintroducing the bill, and stated that he hopes that we will be able to get some reprieve for our 2019 budget.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Mr. Mendiola reminded everyone that the Superintendent submitted his report about a week ago and that there was lengthy discussion during their work session.

Mr. Lujan moved, seconded by Dr. McNinch, to accept the Superintendent's Report as presented. The Board voted by voice and approved the motion with a vote of 5-0. The motion passed.

Ms. Gutierrez asked the Superintendent if he is following the Attorney General's (AG) opinion regarding the hiring and promoting of employees and her opinion of it being inorganic.

Mr. Fernandez clarified that the AG issued an opinion on several of the provisions that were included in the budget. The Legislature, during the passing of the Appropriations Act froze salary increments, prohibited promotions, hiring and so forth. He stated that we are following the AG's guidance, which simply said that it was inorganic for the Legislature to try to restrict the Government and the Executive Branch from hiring and promoting employees. We now have more flexibility to make those decisions.

Ms. Gutierrez asked if there had been any hiring, especially at the school site since the AG's opinion. She shared her concerns regarding support staff shortage at the schools and the issues with federal funding.

Mr. Fernandez responded that he agrees with her and the schools are also his priority. He stated that if anyone is transferring from the school to central office, it is based on a specific situation. If she has any concerns to please bring it to his attention in case he is not aware but otherwise, usually when there are situations like that, it is because there are investigations being conducted.

Mr. Fernandez responded that we do have critical needs here that we do fill but they have been hiring AAs and Administrative Officers (AO) at the school level.

VI. EX-OFFICIO MEMBER REPORTS

IBOGS – Julie Laxamana gave a brief update on the work that they are doing with Mr. Christopher Anderson and Ms. Gutierrez.

Ms. Gutierrez moved, seconded by Mr. Lujan, to accept the written and oral presentation provided by the IBOGS. The Board voted by voice and approved the motion with a vote of 5-0. The motion passed.

GFT Report

Ms. Gutierrez moved, seconded by Dr. McNinch, to accept the report provided by the GFT. The Board voted by voice and approved the motion with a vote of 5-0. The motion passed.

VII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS/COMMITTEE REPORTS

1) Executive Committee

a. **Board Self-Reflection** – Mr. Mendiola noted that he mentioned during their work session that he would like to remove this from the agenda until we get a full complement of board members so they could work as a team.

b. **NASBE 2019 Conferences** – Mr. Mendiola noted that they are all members of NASBE and they received some training opportunities. He requested to the Board and to their liaison as well as Dr. McNinch, to receive their support in terms of attending the Legislative Conference on April 7th through the 9th. He noted that at the conference they would be discussing the changes in policy as it pertains to the US Department of Education and other issues that are going on nationally. He requested to receive support to attend the conference so that they may stay on top of the changes that's occurring, especially school safety and some of the funding issues. He mentioned there are other opportunities for other board members to attend, the New Member Institute will be held June 14th through the 15th and the Annual Conference which will be held October 16th through the 19th. He noted that he knows that we have issues dealing with our budget and some funding issues but he would like to go ahead and get the approval of the Board, subject to funding and hopefully they would be able to find the additional funding.

Mr. Lujan moved, seconded by Dr. McNinch, to approve the travel of the Board Members to attend NASBE Conferences subject to available funding.

Ms. Gutierrez stated that she was in communication with NASBE's new president and chairman. She stated that NASBE Board of Directors will be meeting on January 28th to approve the appointees to the different NASBE committees. She requested that if any member received a letter, to please inform the Board if they are appointed. She commented that she is unsure if Dr. McNinch would be attending the conference or if he was just going to be communicating with NASBE. She noted that the Legislative Conference is on April 7th through the 9th. The New Member Institute would probably be for the new appointees and the NASBE Annual Conference would be in Nebraska. She stated that they should be expecting to find out after January 28th if any of the Guam board members are appointed to any NASBE committees.

Mr. Mendiola stated that the NASBE Legislative Conference is an opportunity to engage with members of the U.S. Congress, U.S. Department of Education senior officials, and other prominent national education committees and stakeholders on current federal, legislative and regulatory activities. He noted that he would like to attend the NASBE Legislative Conference and get the support to attend. He stated that what they're looking for with the New Member Institute are the new members and they would cross that bridge once they get there, in terms of approving the individuals who are able to attend. He stated that he would like to get an approval, subject to funding, which Mr. Lujan motioned for but specific to the Chairman to attend the Legislative Conference and the Annual Conference for the board members.

Ms. Gutierrez ask Dr. McNinch if he, as a member of the NASBE Board of Directors, would be attending the Legislative Conference.

Dr. McNinch stated that he would be attending.

Mr. Lujan amended his motion. Mr. Lujan moved, seconded by Dr. McNinch, to approve the travel of the Chairman and Dr. McNinch to attend the Legislative Conference and for members to attend the New Member Institute and Annual Conference, subject to available funding.

2) **Instructional & Academic Support Committee**

Mr. Mendiola noted that Ms. Lou San Nicolas, former colleague, served as the liaison for the Head Start Program. Since her departure, he has been receiving all communication in regards to the grants and all their activities. He stated that he believes they have good news and allowed Ms. Schroeder to share it.

Ms. Gutierrez noted that Head Start Program is under Curriculum and Ms. Lou Benavente is the Chair of the committee.

Head Start Report

Ms. Gutierrez moved, seconded by Mr. Lujan, to accept the Head Start Report. The Board voted by voice and approved the motion with a vote of 5-0. The motion passed.

Ms. Schroeder informed the Board of other items that occurred after her submission of the Head Start report. She stated that they had received a phone call last Friday from her Program Specialist from Region 9, they were informed that their Duration Grant would be returned with recommendations to increase the amount that they were requesting. She noted that it was due yesterday and was pending approval of the GEB and the Policy Council. The Head Start Policy Council approved the increase. She informed that they had increased the grant from $210,335 to $390,689. What they did, under the guidance of their Program Specialist, was added staff to their support. They added three staff to their budget and based on the

Program Specialist's guidance, they increased their start-up costs to include staffing for five months and travel for staff that would go out to support their teachers. She stated that there are two parts to the grant: the start-up costs for five months, with the proposed amount now $36,361, which begins on March 1st and the eleven month portion that would go from August 1st to the end of the grant cycle next year on June 30th. The nice part about the grant is that the money that they receive will be added to their basic grant next year, so the funding remains for the program. She noted that they need Board approval to submit the changes.

Ms. Benavente asked if the request is in writing or just a verbal communication.

Ms. Schroeder responded that it was a verbal communication with some emails, which she forwarded to Chairman Mendiola. She also noted that her Program Specialists called her two hours ago to make additional adjustments to the grant packet.

Mr. Mendiola noted that he had received it and he would ensure that Head Start would now include Ms. Benavente in any further communication.

Mr. Lujan moved, seconded by Ms. Benavente, to approve the amendment for the Duration Grant to reflect additional funding up to the amount that was recommended. The Board voted by voice and approved the motion with a vote of 5-0. The motion passed.

Dr. McNinch asked for clarification regarding the agenda and whether they were discussing the Head Start Duration Grant which was listed under item seven under New Business.

Mr. Mendiola confirmed and acknowledged the shift in the agenda and noted that the Head Start Grant would be included under the Head Start Report.

Ms. Schroeder thanked the Board for their support on such short notice.

Mr. Mendiola asked Ms. Schroeder to work with the Superintendent's Office to ensure that the information regarding the funding for the Duration Grant be sent out through a press release.

Ms. Schroeder agreed and stated that she would, as soon as funding is received.

3) **Safe & Healthy Schools Committee**

Mr. Mendiola noted that there was a Safe & Health Schools Committee Meeting that was scheduled for today but unfortunately, it was postponed.

Interscholastic Sports – Mr. Lujan informed that his committee met with others individuals, the Superintendent consulted with the principals and they just need to schedule a work session so that they can move on. He noted that they would be holding one or two public hearings so that the community has a chance to provide comments.

Ms. Gutierrez asked if there was a way to include middle schools when discussing interscholastic sports because she has concerns regarding the way that middle schools are operating their sports.

Mr. Lujan responded that they would make the adjustments to include them as well. He noted that they were just starting off with the high schools but eventually it would effect the entire program

Central Middle School – Mr. Lujan noted that they are still trying to get all the packets together to have a work session.

4) **Organizational Efficiency and Development Committee**

Ad-Hoc Special Committee Status Report - Nepotism – Ms. Gutierrez stated that the committee met yesterday but they need to clarify more concerns and try to align and review the Rules and Regulation and the Board Policy. She stated that they would come back in three weeks. She also noted that the committee consists of principals and central office staff who are bringing up a lot of important matters that need clarification.

5) **Fiscal Management**

Update on FY19 Budget – Mr. Mendiola noted there is legislation that is going to be presented in the public hearing that would help address the BBMR circular that was provided to them at the beginning of the year. He stated that the circular highlighted that the Department of Education was going to receive a 4.7 billion dollar reduction in its appropriations because of the lack of funding coming out of TEFF. TEFF was a tax increase of 1% that would help meet the shortfall of the overall governmental operations. He stated that there was a back and forth with the previous administration, the law was vetoed and there was no override so the bill fell through. He stated that Senator San Agustin informed them that they reintroduced the bill and it is scheduled for public hearing. He informed that he would be attending the public hearing to render testimony if needed and stated that he knows that the Department submitted written testimony. Hopefully it passes and should address the shortfall that was highlighted in the BBMR Circular. He stated that in the circular it requested that we provide a financial recovery plan on how we would address the shortfall. He noted that the Superintendent submitted the plan and sent it to all board members.

Update on FY20 Budget – Mr. Mendiola noted that the budget was formulated at the school level, the stakeholders vet the numbers, get it approved and then it comes up to the Department of Education. The numbers for the budget are then vetted through the deputies and provided to the superintendent. The budget is then given to the Board, work sessions are held to address questions and concerns.

Mr. Mendiola read Resolution 2019-01 into the record.

Ms. Gutierrez moved, seconded by Mr. Lujan, to approve Resolution 2019-01 Relative to the Fiscal Year 2020 Annual Budget Request for the Guam Department of Education. The Board voted by voice and approved the motion with a vote of 5-0. The motion passed.

VIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION – None

IX. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND ADJOURNMENT

Dr. McNinch stated that the University of Guam could offer board and ethics training to this board through their policy center. If the Board would desire, they could contact the University for that kind of training. Maybe when we have a full complement of the board it could be something to plan for. He also noted that he greatly appreciates Mr. Mendiola's wonderful work as Chairman of the Board for the last year. He stated that Mr. Mendiola did a wonderful job and Ms. Gutierrez did a very good job as Vice Chair, and he appreciates the collegiality of Mr. Lujan and Ms. Benavente for this year.

Ms. Gutierrez noted that in line with Dr. McNinch's comment, it is by law that the Guam Education Board is mandated to take worksman training with the University of Guam. She stated that she thinks we should start planning for the appointees and current members could get a refresher course.

Ms. Gutierrez moved, seconded by Dr. McNinch to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed.

Mr. Mendiola adjourned the meeting at 6:49 p.m.

MINUTES SUBMITTED BY:

CHRISTIE L. SAN NICOLAS
Administrative Officer

Date: February 19, 2019

MINUTES OF January 25, 2019 REGULAR BOARD MEETING:
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MARK B. MENDIOLA
GEB Chairman

Date: February 26, 2019

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Executive Secretary/GDOE Superintendent

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