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The Honorable Lourdes A. Leon Guerrero
Governor of Guam
Ricardo J. Bordallo Governor's Complex
Adelup, Guam 96910

Honorable Tina Rose Muña Barnes
Speaker
Thirty-fifth Guam Legislature
Hagåtña, Guam 96932

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 June 18, 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,

JON J. P. FERNANDEZ
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cc: Chairman and Members, Guam Education Board
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9th Guam Education Board
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
Tuesday, June 18, 2019
6 PM
Gallery, Building B, Tiyan
AGENDA

I. Meeting Call to Order

II. Approval of Minutes

ACTION 1. Minutes of May 21, 2019 Regular Meeting
ACTION 2. Minutes of June 6, 2019 Special 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. GFT
INFO 2. Mayor's Council of Guam

VI. Unfinished Business/ Committee Reports

1. **Executive Committee**
   a. Board Retreat
INFO/ACTION 2. **Instructional & Academic Support Committee**
   a. Head Start Report
3. **Safe & Healthy Schools Committee**
4. **Organizational Efficiency and Development Committee**
INFO a. Drug Free Work Place
5. **Fiscal Management**
INFO a. Update on FY19 Budget / FY20 Budget
INFO b. US DOE High Risk

VII. New Business

1. Board Matters

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

VOTING MEMBERS: Mark B. Mendiola, Chairman, Maria A. Gutierrez , Vice Chairwoman, Lourdes M. Benavente, John T. Burch, Ray P. Chargualaf Jr., James C. Lujan, Ronald L. McNinch, PhD
EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS: VACANT - IBOGS Representative, Nicole Nadal (OMS) - GFT Representative, Mayor, Rudy M. Matanane, MCOG Representative
EXECUTIVE SECRETARY: Jon J. P. Fernandez, GDOE Superintendent

CURRENCY EXCHANGE RATES
On June 10, $1 was worth:

Keep posted and get more data and details online. Log on to see real time market data with our stock market tool at postguam.com/stock_market.

52.110 PHP₱	108.680 JPY¥	1,185.15 KRW₩	31.435 TWD NT$	6.933 CNY¥	1.435 AUD A$	0.885 EUR €

High court: Texas judgment enforceable against Guam Shipyard

By Gaynor D. Daleno
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The long arm of a court decision reaches Guam from Texas even after a Guam business argued it shouldn't.

The Supreme Court of Guam, in a decision issued Friday, ruled against the Guam Shipyard, which tried to argue that a court decision in Texas isn't enforceable on Guam.

Dresser-Rand Company, which is part of Siemens Power and Gas, sued the Guam Shipyard in Texas. A court judgment confirmed an arbitration award in favor of Dresser-Rand. After the Texas judgment was issued, the company asked the Superior Court of Guam for an order to enforce the judgment on Guam. However, the Guam Shipyard had asserted, among other things, that the Texas trial court did not have "personal jurisdiction" over the Guam business.

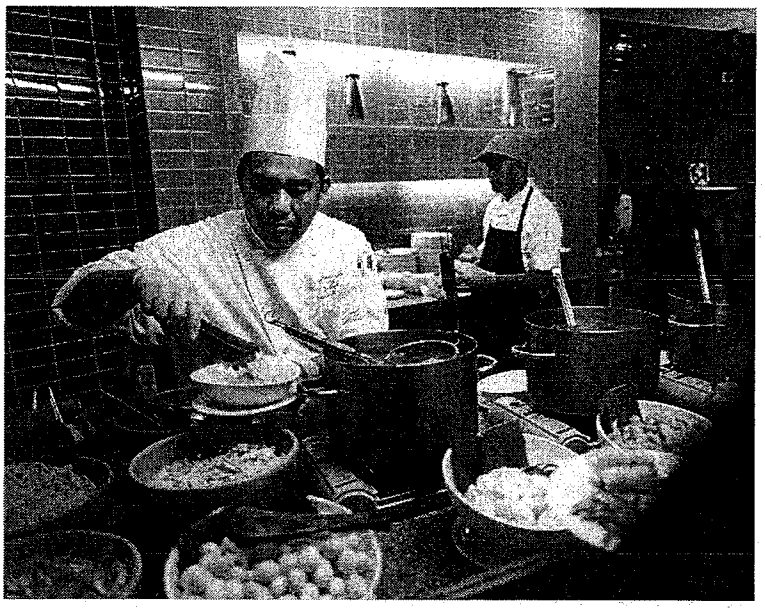
The case stems from Dresser-Rand's services provided to Guam Shipyard in 2014 as part of a ship repair and overhaul. The Guam Shipyard sought repairs totaling almost $500,000. After Dresser-Rand completed the work, Guam Shipyard failed to pay, citing its financial difficulties, court records state.

Dresser-Rand filed a lawsuit on Guam in 2017.

Under the "full faith and credit" clause of the U.S. Enforcement of International Arbitration Awards, a judgment in one state is entitled to the same credit and effect in other states, the Guam Supreme Court ruled. "The full faith and credit clause expressly applies to Guam through the Organic Act and the Full Faith and Credit Act," Guam's high court stated. Chief Justice Katherine Maraman, Justice Philip Carbullido and Justice Robert Torres signed the ruling.

The Guam Shipyard was given the chance to assert its due-process right in the Texas proceeding, the Guam high court ruled.

Philippine Independence celebrated



CULTURAL CELEBRATION: *Chef Don German prepares some of the Philippine specialties being offered at the Taste restaurant to commemorate the 121st anniversary of Philippine independence at the Westin Resort Guam on Monday. The promotion will feature cuisine from the Philippines which includes a street food station and a whole roasted pig. The lunch promotion will last through June 15. Norman M. Taruc/The Guam Daily Post*

Deadline for SBA disaster loan program is July 8

Director Tanya N. Garfield of the U.S. Small Business Administration's Disaster Field Operations Center-West is reminding private nonprofit organizations on Guam of the July 8 deadline to apply for an SBA federal disaster loan. The loan program applies to property damage caused by Typhoon Wutip in February. Private nonprofits that provide essential services of a governmental nature are eligible for assistance.

The interest rate is 2.75% with terms up to 30 years. Loan amounts and terms are set by SBA and based on each applicant's financial condition.

Applicants may apply online, receive additional disaster assistance information and download applications at https://disasterloan.sba.gov/ela. Applicants may also call SBA's Customer Service Center at (800) 659-2955 or email disastercustomerservice@sba.gov for more information on SBA disaster assistance. ***(Daily Post Staff)***

INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S CLUB OF GUAM

Annual Income and Expense Report
As of May 31, 2019

Bank Balance as of 05/31/2018	$	4,685.51
Income		
Annual Membership Dues	$	1,050.00
Monthly Membership Dinners	$	11,849.60
Monthly Raffle	$	2,475.00
Madame International Ball	$	22,235.00
Total Income	$	37,609.60
Expenses		
Donations	$	5,250.00
Operating Expenses	$	2,500.50
Monthly Membership Dinners	$	11,849.60
Madame International Ball	$	14,275.00
Total Expenses	$	33,875.10
Ending Balance as of 05/31/2019	$	8,420.10

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MINUTES

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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. 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.
McNinch, Dr. Ron L.

Non-Voting Members:
Nadal, Nicole A. – GFT Representative
Matanane, Rudy M. – Yigo Mayor and MCOG Education Liaison

Legal Counsel:
Nasis, Jesse

Absent:
Samelo, Eyan (SHS) – IBOGS Representative

During roll call everyone welcomed the new GFT Representative, Ms. Nicole Nadal. The Superintendent announced that five (5) members of the Board were present, constituting a quorum.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Lujan motioned, seconded by Ms. Gutierrez, to approve the April 23, 2019, regular monthly meeting minutes. The Board voted by voice with a vote of 5-0 for the motion, motion passed.

III. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – None.

IV. COMMUNICATIONS

CORRESPONDENCE

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT. The superintendent provided highlights from his report. They included the following:

2019 Guam Teacher of the Year. Mr. Fernandez congratulated Ms. Analyn Palugod who is an ESL Teacher from Adacao Elementary School. He commented that she is a really wonderful representative who he feels will do a great job representing GDOE. Mr. Fernandez also thanked the Foundation for Public Education and all the sponsors who continue to support our Teacher of the Year Awards.

High School Graduations. Mr. Fernandez reminded all the board members of the upcoming graduations. He also mentioned that J.P. Torres Success Academy (JPTSA) will be the first graduation and noted that the keynote speaker would be Deputy Assistant Secretary Lisa Ramirez. He stated that she will be here in her formal capacity doing some onsite validations of our Reconsideration Evaluation Plan. He noted that she also came to Guam to be able to congratulate the students at JPTSA, especially one that she met a couple of years ago that she promised she would return for his graduation.

School Readiness (Facilities). GDOE has switched gears to school readiness and are meeting regularly to ensure schools are cleaned, repaired (health and safety), and ready for the start of the school year.

WASC District Accreditation. The WASC Visiting Committee visited from May 15 to 17, 2019, for the mid-term accreditation visit. The team met with GDOE leadership, divisions, and select schools to determine whether GDOE was making progress in terms of meeting the goals set forth in the 2015 initial accreditation report. The team gave a verbal exit report, citing the many strong areas of progress, including much of the work dedicated to supporting teacher professional development, collaboration, and the move towards standards-based grading. They also recommend that GDOE clarify a GDOE graduate profile to guide future measures of progress, shift to more vertical alignment discussions and provide more coherence so that stakeholders do not feel overwhelmed as they continue to lead progress. A formal report will be provided in June after the next WASC Commission meeting.

Black Construction Career Day/Job Fair. This will be held for high school students (especially graduates) interested in jobs in construction. The event will take place on May 25, 2019, from 8 am to Noon at Black Construction Corporation, Harmon Industrial Park.

Simon Sanchez High School Procurement. On April 25, 2019, the Superintendent issued a Notice to Proceed at a press conference at Simon Sanchez High School. The NTP was for land surveying services which will be provided by Duenas, Camacho and Associates. The anticipated timeframe for completion of the land survey is mid-August. The Evaluation Committee is reviewing the draft solicitation for the next step, which will likely be for architectural and engineering services. Publication of the next RFP is anticipated for early June.

GDOE's Sixth Consecutive Unmodified (Clean) Audit for Financial Statements and Compliance with Federal Programs. The FY 2018 audit was released over the weekend and represents the strongest audit performance in recent history for the department with no material weaknesses and no questioned costs. As a result, Superintendent plans to reissue a request to USDOE to remove the specific condition requiring the department to complete a timely, single audit. This requirement has been met and surpassed. The Superintendent congratulated the department and everyone involved in the critical financial components and ensuring that we are being held accountable and taking care of our funds. He informed that his intent is to take the sixth audit to US Ed. and request to have the single audit requirement removed.

USDOE Reconsideration Evaluation Plan (ongoing). GEB Chairman briefed the board on the visit to USDOE, including the amended specific conditions that were provided by USDOE to GDOE. Also, the Reconsideration Evaluation Plan is currently underway, meaning GDOE is beginning to validate the progress of work done to address the specific conditions, and USDOE is beginning its review. USDOE is anticipating to visit GDOE in May and late July for an onsite review.

May 2019 USDOE Onsite Visit. Deputy Assistant Secretary Dr. Lisa Ramirez and Office of School Support and Rural Programs Director Dr. David Cantrell will visit in late May to conduct a review of fixed assets. Dr. Ramirez will also be featured as the keynote speaker at J.P. Torres's graduation.

July 2019 USDOE Onsite Visit. USDOE will conduct a more comprehensive onsite visit at the end of July. More information will be provided as the date nears. GDOE plans to meet with USDOE officials in Washington DC in June as part of the preparation for the visit

Mr. Lujan called for the vote 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.

V. EX-OFFICIO MEMBER REPORTS

IBOGS – Ms. Gutierrez presented the IBOGS report.

Mr. Fernandez stated that maybe the IBOGS would be able to assist and inform them of a better way to communicate with the students at the beginning of the school year to ensure that the students understand the policies and they know who to contact.

Mrs. Gutierrez commented that at the IBOGS meeting they were discussing possible training for BP 901 and 401 so that they can train other students.

GFT Report – Mr. Mendiola again, welcome the new GFT representative, Ms. Nicole Nadal from Oceanview Middle School.

Ms. Nadal stated that one of the concerns that the teachers have is regarding recertification. She noted that some teachers will not be recertified because they weren't able to complete their mentorship. She noted that this is due to a shortage of mentors. She questioned that since this is out of their control, is there a plan or alternate approach for the teachers to keep their certification and possibly have an extension in order to complete the process.

Dr. Sukola responded that all they would need to do is go to the Certification Office and request for an extension and they would receive a year extension. She explained that they would have to prove that they met all the requirements, up until this point and that all they are lacking is the mentorship.

Mr. Lujan stated that it is his understanding that the department is in charge of making sure that the program is up and running so that the teachers can fulfill this requirement.

Dr. Sukola responded that that is correct.

Mr. Fernandez clarified that in the past the department has participated in providing mentorship but it is not a requirement.

Dr. Sukola stated that the department has reached out to the schools to find out which teachers needed to be mentored and noted that there are mentors available at some schools who have been volunteering.

Mr. Lujan asked if the department has reached out to GFT to get some assistance.

Mr. Fernandez commented that he thinks that is a good idea and suggested that they discuss it further.

Mr. Lujan asked whether the law allowed for retired teachers to provide mentoring.

Ms. Benavente responded that back in 2004-05 the model of the program was to use retirees but there were not enough retirees that wanted to be a mentor. She noted that right now, she and Mr. Joe Sanchez have been working on a grant. There would be teachers who are mentors at their schools and four others who would monitor those mentors. She mentioned that she is a bit concerned about this because she feels quality mentoring is important and isn't sure that teachers who work all day would be able to provide quality mentoring. She also commented that the way the mentor program ended was really sad.

Mr. Mendiola commented that they would ask the Superintendent for an update on the Mentorship Program at the next board meeting. He stated that he is going to forward this issue to the Superintendent to work out with the GFT.

Dr. McNinch asked about how many teachers need mentoring.

Mr. Sanchez responded that there are about a hundred-plus teachers.

Mr. Fernandez asked the GFT representative that if they are aware of any teachers in that situation to provide them with their names. He stated that he would work with Mr. Sharma and the GFT as a team, possibly at the work session, to update them on the framework and who we anticipate being available once we get approval from the Consolidated Grant.

MCOG – Mayor Matanane brought up several concerns from the MCOG. He mentioned an issue regarding bus stops, specifically one that was shared in the media. He stated that students haven't been utilizing that specific bus stop for about four years but it has been cleaned the Micronesian Climate Alliance organization.

Mr. Mendiola commented that there should be a bus stop assessment conducted island-wide. He said maybe he can ask each mayor to specifically identify areas of concern so that when the top officials get together they can create the framework to address these issues.

Mr. Fernandez stated that Mr. Arriola from DPW, the Mayor's council through Mayor Matanane and Mayor Savares and DOE would like to come up with an approach as part of school readiness to include bus shelters as part of the preparation. He noted that DPW talked about the Adopt A Shelter Program, to possibly revive the program and to expand service learning opportunities for students.

VI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS/COMMITTEE REPORTS

1) Executive Committee

NASBE – Dr. McNinch stated that NASBE elections are coming up and all nominations are due by June 7th. He suggested that they get nominations up very deliberately. He commented that he doesn't know if there will be another board meeting before June 7th but this meeting would be a good time to entertain and approve nominations for NASBE. He also noted that the next NASBE New Member meeting is in June and the annual national meeting will be in the Fall.

Ms. Gutierrez stated that she feels that because the new board members will be effective by the June meeting, they should wait for them to vote on the nominations. She commented that they don't have to have nominations for this year.

Dr. McNinch strongly recommended that the Board nominate and submit candidates' names. He stated that if they vote tonight, that would be fine but if they wait for a special meeting it would need to be on June 4th. He stated that he thinks it's important for them to submit names, the sooner the better. He continued to express his concerns about a delay in the submission of a nomination.

Mr. Lujan motioned, Mr. Mendiola seconded for discussion purposes, to nominate Dr. McNinch as the Western Region representative for NASBE.

Ms. Benavente agreed to call for the vote.

Mr. Mendiola asked if there were any other nominations.

Ms. Benavente motioned, Mr. Mendiola seconded the motion, to nominate Mrs. Gutierrez as the Western Region representative for NASBE.

Ms. Gutierrez declined the nomination and stated that she stands by her earlier statement and would like to wait for the new board members to come on board before submitting a nomination.

Ms. Benavente agreed that a work session should take place first.

Mr. Mendiola stated that he would call for the vote.

Mr. Lujan questioned if it had to be a vote of five.

Mr. Mendiola and Mr. Fernandez responded yes.

Discussions for clarification took place.

Mr. Mendiola called for a five-minute recess at 6:40 pm and asked legal counsel to clarify whether or not five votes are required for action by the Board or whether a majority vote from quorum meets requirements.

The meeting returned from recess at 6:44 pm.

Mr. Mendiola stated that based off of Title 17 Guam Code Annotated, an affirmative vote of five is required for any affirmative action by the board.

Dr. McNinch asked if that meant that all regular members would need to support it.

Mr. Mendiola responded yes. He then called for the vote.

The Board voted by voice, the motion failed with a vote of 3-2. The motion was not passed.

Mr. Mendiola stated that since the motion failed, a recommendation from Ms. Gutierrez was to send it to the committee for a work session.

Dr. McNinch stated that he would like to ask for an unusual request, provided that we do not meet again before June 7th. He stated that he would like his name to be put forth for nomination in case the Board does not meet again for some reason. He asked if possible, for an alternative, if the rule requires five votes but the Board does not meet before the deadline.

Mr. Mendiola, Ms. Gutierrez, and Ms. Benavente expressed a nomination could not be submitted without the five votes.

Mr. Mendiola stated that he would send it back to the committee.

Dr. McNinch then asked if the next meeting could be scheduled before June 7th.

Dr. McNinch motioned, Mr. Lujan seconded the motion, for the NASBE nomination to be given back to the committee, that the committee report out before June 7th and that a noticed meeting shall take place before June

7th where all board members can participate at that time. The Board voted by voice and approved the motion with a vote of 5-0. The motion passed.

Dr. McNinch informed that if the Board fails to nominate someone for NASBE, the default is that the Governor nominates someone.

2) **Instructional & Academic Support Committee**

Head Start Report – Ms. Schroeder reported the program high lights. She stated that they have a new financial specialist who sent a letter to the program. The program is currently in the process of registering students for next school year and will be doing so through the rest of June. She also informed the Board that the Duration Grant would be received by August 1st and they expect to receive their basic grant on July 1st. Ms. Schroeder noted that there is a schedule that shows when and where registration will take place.

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

Update from Joint Calendar Committee – Tabled.

3) **Safe & Healthy Schools Committee**

Interscholastic Sports – Mr. Fernandez stated that further discussion regarding concerns took place. Referencing the memo provided in the board packet, he explained that they discussed that if DOE decided to take care of interscholastic sport internally, the would not immediately put it out to bid but would work to address all the issues that have been raised. If it becomes internal, they need the Board's direction as well as support to ensure that we can hire someone to run the program. He noted that they would need to get together with the principals and athletic directors to resolve all the issues. He stated that another consideration, if it is brought internal, is that they are concerned, given the timeframe that they are able to do so and hit the new school year running smoothly. He stated that they would like to explore the option of extending the IIAAG role at least until they are able to make their transition. They anticipate that it might take two quarters and asked if they could have the consideration to transition over two quarters if the Board so chooses to bring it internally.

Mr. Lujan moved, seconded by Ms. Gutierrez, to require the Guam Department of Education to take over direct operations of the Interscholastic Sports Program, no later than January 1, 2020, and to prohibit the outsourcing of the Interscholastic Sports Program for a least two school years. The Board voted by voice and approved the motion with a vote of 5-0. The motion passed.

Dr. McNinch congratulated Mr. Lujan on the great work that he did on this particular issue.

Mr. Mendiola asked the Superintendent if he felt confident that the department would be able to manage this program for two years.

Mr. Fernandez responded that the key piece is really having the Board's support. He stated that this is something that Mr. Lujan brought to the table, it wasn't something that we really considered but we wanted to do our due diligence through the course of this year to gather the information and make sure that we were clear on what the concerns were. We did a good job with getting those concerns out on the table but the question is, how best to fix it? We've been thinking through different alternatives, one is to re-bid it out, re-do the scope of work or make it internal. Given the timeframe that we have, there is no way that we're going to fix things before the summer without having other things falling to the side. If the Board is going to be supportive to allow for the eventual hiring of someone to run the program and to support us to allow for the transition with the IIAAG continuing till at least the second quarter, we'll have enough time to make that transition smoothly.

Mr. Lujan stated that bringing the program internally doesn't mean we can't partner with other entities to make things work.

Central Middle School – Mr. Lujan stated that they've already established a resolution and it is forwarded to the Finance Committee.

Mayor Matanane stated that he supports the decision of converting the elementary school to a middle school and Mayor Rivera also has given her support.

Mr. Lujan motioned, Ms. Gutierrez seconded the motion, to approve GEB Resolution 2019-09 Relative to requesting support from the Governor and the 35th Guam Legislature to provide funding for a central middle school.

Mr. Mendiola read the resolution into the record.

Mr. Lujan commented that this is a long time coming and congratulations to the Tamuning-Tumon-Harmon Municipal Planning Council for spearheading this effort. He stated that he thinks it's a good move and we have community support. He commented that he is begging the Governor and the Legislature to move quickly and expedite this issue.

Mr. Fernandez noted that in the resolution the Board is asking for the Governor and the Legislature to fund 8 to 10 million, he recommended that they change it to 10 million.

They agreed to amend the resolution.

Mr. Lujan motioned, Ms. Gutierrez seconded the motion, to approve and amend GEB Resolution 2019-09 Relative to requesting support from the Governor and the 35th Guam Legislature to provide funding for a central middle school. The resolution would reflect 10 million instead of 8-10 million. The Board voted by voice and approved the motion with a vote of 5-0. The motion passed.

4) **Organizational Efficiency and Development Committee**
Drug-Free Work Place – Ms. Gutierrez acknowledged that everyone is busy with the closing of the school year and graduations. She requested that the Superintendent form his committee and prepare to meet after all of the graduation ceremonies, possibly around June 14th or 15th.

Mr. Mendiola asked the Superintendent to provide support to Mrs. Gutierrez on this issue.

The Superintendent responded that he thinks that June would be a good time to get ahead of other issues.

Item was tabled and given back to the committee.

5) **Fiscal Management**
Update on FY19/20 Budget – Mr. Mendiola stated that we're still maintaining our FY19-20 budget. We continue to receive the funding that was committed to us on a weekly basis. Towards the end of the fiscal year, we should be able to get a clearer idea of what, if any, funds we will be shorted. He pointed out that it is reflective in our audit report that the department has been very prudent with its' spending and managing of the resources based on the priorities that the Board has set.

US DOE High Risk – Mr. Mendiola stated that the Superintendent reported that we are going to have some visitors coming in the month of June. He noted that he and the Superintendent may visit US DOE in June and come back and get the groundwork ready for the actual visiting team in July.

EFSC Law – Mr. Mendiola stated that he wanted to bring this to the Board's attention. This law gathers individuals from different agencies to monitor the expenditures of the department. He informed the Board that there was a change proffered by Education Chair, Telena Nelson, which removed the fine that was imposed on committee members for failing to attend EFSC meetings.

VII. NEW BUSINESS – Mr. Lujan shared his concerns about management at schools and issues that have been brought to the Board's attention regarding administrators. He commented that he thinks that everyone, including administers and management should be evaluated.

Mr. Lujan motioned, Ms. Gutierrez seconded the motion for discussion purposes, for the appropriate committee to come up with a recommendation to the Board for a principal evaluation structure format. The Board voted by voice and approved the motion with a vote of 5-0. The motion passed.

Ms. Gutierrez commented that the Guam Education Policy Board did approve an evaluation tool in 2009 through the CEDDARS Program. She asked the Superintendent if the principals are evaluated using this tool.

The Superintendent responded yes.

Mr. Lujan commented that maybe it is time to assess that tool since it was approved in 2009.

Mayor Matanane asked for an update on an incident at Southern High School where a student had a gun.

Mr. Mendiola responded that the Superintendent is currently investigating that incident and has assured the Board that there are safety protocols in place to address safety on campus.

Ms. Gutierrez shared her concerns regarding individuals from Mt. Carmel Catholic School who have been attending 5th grade promotion ceremonies and promoting their school. She mentioned that administrators have been caught off guard when individuals show up unexpectedly and request to speak during DOE school's promotional activities.

Mr. Mendiola asked the Superintendent to look into it and inform the Board. He stated that if this has caused a problem he would like a formal response prepared to the private school.

Mr. Fernandez responded that in the past, Mt. Carmel would come in to present the top two students with an opportunity for a scholarship to attend middle school at Mt. Carmel. This year we've been seeing an advertisement of the entire elementary school program and the principals are not fully aware of this plan. The Superintendent stated that we will work with the principals.

VIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. Mendiola asked to go into executive session.

Mr. Lujan moved, seconded by Dr. McNinch, to move into executive session. The Board voted by voice to amend the motion and approved the motion for the amendment with a vote of 5-0. The motion passed.

The Board moved into Executive Session at 7:27 pm.

Mr. Lujan moved, seconded by Ms. Gutierrez, to move out of executive session at 8:05 pm. The Board voted by voice with a vote of 5-0 for the motion. The motion passed.

The Board returned to Public Session at 8:05 pm.

IX. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND ADJOURNMENT

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

Mr. Mendiola adjourned the meeting at 8:06 p.m.

MINUTES SUBMITTED BY:

Date: June 12, 2019

CHRISTIE L. SAN NICOLAS
Administrative Officer

MINUTES OF May 21, 2019 SPECIAL BOARD MEETING:
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GEB Chairman

Date: 6/18/19

JON J.P. FERNANDEZ
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9th GUAM EDUCATION BOARD
REGULAR MEETING
Thursday, June 6, 2019
6 pm
Gallery, Bldg. B, Tiyan

MINUTES

VOTING MEMBERS

Mark B. Mendiola, Chairman
Maria A. Gutierrez, Vice Chairwoman
Lourdes M. Benavente
John T. Burch
Ray P. Chargualaf, Jr.
James C. Lujan
Ron L. McNinch, PhD

EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS

VACANT
IBOGS Representative

Nicole A. Nadal (OMS)
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. 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)
Burch, John T.
Chargualaf, Ray P., Jr.
Lujan, James C.
McNinch, Dr. Ron L.

Non-Voting Members:
Nadal, Nicole A. – GFT Representative

Legal Counsel:
Nasis, Jesse

Absent:
Matanane, Rudy M. – Yigo Mayor and MCOG Education Liaison

The Superintendent announced that five (5) members of the Board were present, constituting a quorum.

II. UNFINISHED BUSINESS/COMMITTEE REPORTS

1) Executive Committee

NASBE – Mr. Mendiola stated that there is only one item on the agenda, NASBE Nomination. He explained that at the last board there was a motion to forward this item to a special meeting because of time constraints issues. The issue was regarding whether or not the Board wanted to nominate a person into the National Association of State Board of Education (NASBE). Dr. McNinch is a board member for NASBE representing new members and his term has come up. The question was brought to us whether or not we wanted to nominate someone from Guam to be a representative on NASBE.

Ms. Gutierrez explained the process of the NASBE nominations for the benefit of the new board members.

Dr. McNinch stated that he thinks that their participation in NASBE is productive. He stated that NASBE is an important organization which helps to link us to the US Mainland and education policies. It gives us access to international education leaders to include officials within the US Department of Education. It said he appreciates the work that has been done by our board members and feels that this is a relationship that they should continue.

Mr. Lujan motioned, Mr. Burch seconded, to nominate Dr. McNinch as an area director for NASBE. The Board voted by voice with a vote of 7-0 for the motion, motion passed.

Ms. Gutierrez informed the Board that she tried to contact NASBE to inquire on whether or not the new board member should be able to register for the upcoming NASBE New Member Institute. She asked Christie to inquire through email and Sharon Cannon, Director of Operations responded that unfortunately, it is too late. Sharon also stated in her email that the new members are welcomed to attend next year. Ms. Gutierrez informed the new members that for the New Member Institute, NABSE normally pays $500 for travel expenses but the department shoulders the remaining costs. She then informed them of the Annual Conference in October. Ms. Gutierrez also informed them of the ethics training that new board members are required to attend.

Mr. Mendiola also commented that he received word that there is a new nomination down at the legislature for another new board member. He stated that we would coordinate the training at UOG for everyone.

Ms. Gutierrez motioned, Mr. Lujan seconded, to approve the travel of Dr. McNinch to attend the NASBE New Member Institute on June 14 – 15, 2019 as an area director for NASBE. The Board voted by voice with a vote of 7-0 for the motion, motion passed.

III. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Mendiola welcomed new members, Mr. Ray P. Chargualaf Jr. and Mr. John T. Burch to the Guam Education Board. He noted that there is a lot of information that will be provided to them. The next step would be a board retreat, which the Board has postponed waiting for the new members. At the board retreat they will work together to set goals and objectives. He stated that anything operational needs to be handled by the Superintendent with the exception of the administrative support staff who usually concurs with the Superintendent, Ms. Christie. He explained that it's basically for information if the Superintendent is not available. He noted that communication is normally done through email or through the GEB WhatsApp chat. He stated that whichever way they prefer to receive their official communication they should inform the Superintendent so that it can be set up. The iPads would allow them to view documents for meetings and participate via teleconference if needed.

Mr. Mendiola also informed everyone that he authorized the Superintendent to purchase iPads for the Board to enhance communication.

Mr. Lujan moved, seconded by Dr. McNinch to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed.

Mr. Mendiola adjourned the meeting at 6:17 p.m.

MINUTES SUBMITTED BY:

Christie San Nicolas

CHRISTIE L. SAN NICOLAS
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