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Re: M&C Fwd-Title Correction: GEB February 18, 2020 Regular Meeting - Reporting Requirements

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Buenas and Hafa Adai Clerks, Please amend Title for Messages and Communications 35GL-20-1611 to Guam Education Board Regular Meeting held on February 18, 2020.

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Hafa Adai,

Please see the attached documents for the Guam Education Board's Regular Meeting held on February 18, 2020.

Please confirm receipt of this email.

Respectfully,

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JON J. P. FERNANDEZ
Superintendent of Education

February 19, 2020

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 February 18, 2020 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
Superintendent of Education

Attachments

cc: Chairman and Members, Guam Education Board
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9th Guam Education Board
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
Tuesday, February 18, 2020
6 PM
Gallery, Building B, Tiyan
AGENDA

I. **Meeting Call to Order**

II. **Approval of Minutes**

ACTION 1. Minutes of January 21, 2020 Regular Meeting

ACTION 2. Minutes of January 30, 2020 Special Meeting

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

IV. **Communications**

INFO 1. Correspondence

INFO a. Letter from Senator Shelton

INFO 2. Superintendent's Report and Communication

V. **Ex-Officio Member Reports**

INFO 1. GFT

INFO 2. Mayor's Council of Guam

INFO 3. IBOGS Report

VI. **Unfinished Business/ Committee Reports**

1. **Executive Committee**

INFO/ACTION a. Superintendent's Evaluation Status (Ron McNinch)

INFO b. Bldg. E - Sublease

2. **Instructional & Academic Support Committee**

INFO a. Head Start Report

ACTION b. SY2020-2021 and SY2021-2022 Calendars

3. **Safe & Healthy Schools Committee**

4. **Organizational Efficiency and Development Committee**

5. **Fiscal Management**

INFO a. Update on FY20 Budget

VII. **New Business**

1. Tumon JFK High School 60th Mega Reunion

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:, Maria A. Gutierrez, Chairwoman, Mark B. Mendiola, Vice-Chair, Felicitas B. Angel, Lourdes M. Benavente, Karlyn RCG Borja, John T. Burch, Ray P. Chargualaf Jr., James C. Lujan, Ronald L. McNinch, PhD
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EXECUTIVE SECRETARY: Jon J. P. Fernandez, GDOE Superintendent

CURRENCY EXCHANGE RATES
On Feb. 10, $1 was worth:

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Calvo's SelectCare earns reaccreditation



Frank Campillo

Calvo's SelectCare's health plans received full reaccreditation from the Accreditation Association for Ambulatory Health Care.

AAAHC accreditation is a nationally recognized evaluation that assesses the quality of health care that health plans provide to their members, according to a press release.

For consumers, an AAAHC accreditation is "a sign that health care organization meets or exceeds nationally recognized standards, according to the association's website.

AAAHC accreditation means that the organization participates in on-going self evaluation, peer review and education to continuously improve its care and services.

"Achieving reaccreditation from AAAHC signifies our commitment to raising the quality of the care and the services that we provide to our members," said Frank Campillo, health plan administrator.

"This achievement was made possible through the dedication and efforts of our employees and management team, our partnerships with physician and hospital providers, and ensuring that our members have access to the appropriate care locally or off island when needed."

Accreditation status provides consumers with an unprecedented ability to evaluate the quality of different health plans along a variety of important criteria and to make their health plan decisions based on demonstrated value rather than simply on cost.

To earn accreditation, a health plan has to demonstrate proper management of all parts of its delivery system:

- Member Rights,
- Responsibilities and Protections,
- Governance, and
- Administrative Services.

SelectCare is underwritten by Tokio Marine Pacific Insurance.

(Daily Post Staff)

US jobs top estimates with 225,000 gain, wages accelerate

By Reade Pickert
Bloomberg News

U.S. employers hired at a stronger-than-expected pace in January as wage gains rebounded in the latest signs of a durable jobs market, though revisions to prior years pared employment growth.

Payrolls increased by 225,000 after an upwardly revised 147,000 gain in December, according to a Labor Department data Friday that topped all estimates of economists. The jobless rate edged up to 3.6%, still near a half-century low, while average hourly earnings climbed 3.1% from a year earlier.

Annual revisions to historical data took some shine off one of President Donald Trump's main bragging points, cutting the 2018 job gain to 2.31 million from 2.68 million. The 2017 and 2019 gains were about 2.1 million, meaning each year under Trump - while still strong - has been slightly slower than the 2.35 million rise in the final year of the Obama administration.

The solid hiring defies expectations for step down to a slower pace of job growth as businesses delay investment, and exceeded the 175,000 average monthly gain for 2019. The pace supports Federal Reserve policy makers' view of the labor market as strong, and is more than sufficient to keep up with population growth.

Average hourly earnings rose 0.2% from the prior month, slightly less than estimated but an acceleration from the December reading.

Payroll gains were broad-based and topped the median estimate for 165,000. Education and health services employment added 72,000, while transportation and warehousing rose by the most in a year.

Warm weather

The unexpected job strength also reflects robust gains in weather-sensitive sectors including construction, which climbed by 44,000 for the strongest growth in a year in an unseasonably warm month.

Weekly hours worked held at 34.3 hours for a third month, lower than a year ago. Economists look to hours worked for early signs of labor market softening as companies often cut hours before laying off workers.

The participation rate, or share of working-age people in the labor force, climbed to 63.4%. Steady participation rate gains reinforce Fed Chair Jerome Powell's desire to sustain the expansion "so that the strong job market reaches more of those left behind."

While a widely-watched manufacturing gauge signaled expansion for the first time in six months in January, the drop in payrolls for manufacturers was steeper than estimated. Employment in the sector slumped by 12,000 for a third drop in four months, driven by a decrease in payrolls for motor vehicles and parts workers.

Private employment, or hiring at companies, climbed by 206,000, topping estimates. Government payrolls climbed by 19,000 for the best gain since August.

The U-6, or the underemployment rate, climbed to 6.9% from 6.7%. This measure includes part-time workers who'd prefer a full-time position and those who aren't actively looking, therefore offering a more comprehensive view of the health of the labor market. These figures were among series that were revised back to 1994.

(With assistance from Kristy Scheuble.)

Breaking Wave Theatre Company, Inc.
(A Non-stock, Non-profit Organization)
Financial Statement for the Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 2019

Balance Sheet

Assets	
Cash and Cash Equivalents	$ 3,875.56
Fixed Assets, Net	$ 0.00
Total Assets	$ 3,875.56
Liabilities and Net Assets	
Accounts Payable	$ 0.00
Total Liabilities	$ 0.00
Net Assets	$ 3,875.56
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	$ 3,875.56

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Net Assets

Net Assets as of December 31, 2018	$ 565.83
Revenues	
Grants	$ 6666.00
Donations	$ 2001.16
Event Proceeds	$ 1308.01
Total Revenues	$ 9,975.17
Expenditures	
Fundraising Expenses	$ 189.00
Operating Expenses	$ 957.40
Program Expenses	$ 5519.04
Total Expenditures	$ 6,665.44
Excess of Revenues over Expenditures	$ 3,309.73
Net Assets as of December 31, 2019	$ 3,875.56

Certified True and Correct
Christian J. Santiago, Vice President

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III. Public Participation
IV. Communications
V. Ex-Officio Member Reports
VI. Unfinished Business/ Committee Reports
VII. New Business
VIII. Executive Session
IX. Adjournment

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MINUTES

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GFT Representative

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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.
Borja, Karlyn RCG
Burch, John T.
Chargualaf, Ray P., Jr.
Lujan, James C. (via video-conference)
McNinch, Dr. Ron L.

Non-Voting Members:
Glory, Nicole & Labadnoy, Mika (OHS) – IBOGS Representatives
Terlaje, Doris A. – GFT Representative
Savares, Melissa B. – MCOG Representative

Legal Counsel:
Nasis, Jesse

Mr. Mendiola noted that he received communication from Mr. SanJay Sharma informing him that the GFT had appointed Ms. Doris A. Terlaje as the GFT representative on the GEB. Mr. Mendiola welcomed Ms. Terlaje back and thanked her for her willingness to serve on the board.

The Superintendent announced that eight (8) members of the Board were present, constituting a quorum.

Mr. Fernandez introduced and welcomed the new Deputy Superintendent of Finance and Administrative Services, Dr. Zeny Asuncion. He also thanked Mr. Frank Cooper-Nurse for filling-in for the position especially during the budget time.

Ms. Benavente motioned, seconded by Mr. Lujan to amend the agenda to move the New Business item up on the agenda after the Approval of Minutes. The Board voted by voice with a vote of 8-0 for the motion, motion passed.

Ms. Benavente noted that her request to amend the agenda was because Mr. Lujan was participating via videoconference, the actionable item was originally at the end of the agenda and wanted to ensure that he could participate in the event that he gets disconnected.

I. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Ms. Gutierrez motioned, seconded by Ms. Benavente, to approve the December 6, 2019, regular monthly meeting minutes, subject to corrections. The Board voted by voice with a vote of 8-0 for the motion, motion passed.

Ms. Benavente motioned, seconded by Mr. Lujan to approve the December 31, 2019, special meeting minutes, subject to corrections. The Board voted by voice with a vote of 8-0 for the motion, motion passed.

Mr. Mendiola noted that the only correction that needed to be made was to change "regular" meeting to "special" meeting.

II. **NEW BUSINESS**

1) **Election of Officers** – Mr. Mendiola explained that Board Policy 105 states that every year an election for Chairman and Vice Chairman must be held and that the term of office for the chairman could not exceed two terms. He then opened nominations for the chairman's position.

Election of Chairperson

Mr. Lujan nominated Ms. Gutierrez for Chairwoman.

Dr. McNinch nominated Mr. Burch for Chairman.

Mr. Lujan motioned, seconded by Ms. Benavente to close nominations for the chairman position. The Board voted by voice with a vote of 8-0 for the motion, motion passed.

The board voted by show of hands.

Mr. Mendiola stated, all those in favor of selecting Ms. Maria Gutierrez for Chairperson of the Board.

Five members, Mr. Lujan, Mr. Chargualaf, Ms. Benavente, Ms. Gutierrez and Mr. Mendiola raised their hands.

Mr. Mendiola stated, all those in favor of selecting Mr. John Burch for Chairman of the Board.

Three members, Dr. McNinch, Mr. Burch and Ms. Borja raised their hands.

Mr. Mendiola stated that Ms. Gutierrez garnered the five votes necessary to conduct business as chairperson.

Mr. Mendiola then turned over the chair-ship to Ms. Gutierrez.

Ms. Gutierrez thanked everyone and stated that her leadership will continue the way they are operating right now. She stated that she thinks they have a lot of work ahead of them and they will move forward with what was already planned during their retreat. She stated that they work together for the benefit and

the best interest of our students in the public school system. She stated that she would do her best and she feels that she can provide the leadership with their support. They are one team, one family and they have to set an example to the students and the employees and to support the Superintendent of Education to carry on the mission and vision of our public schools.

Election of Vice-Chair

Mr. Lujan nominated Mr. Mendiola for Vice-Chair.

Dr. McNinch nominated Mr. Burch for Vice-Chair.

The board voted by show of hands.

Ms. Gutierrez stated all those in favor of selecting Mr. Mark Mendiola for Vice-Chair.

Five members, Mr. Lujan, Mr. Chargualaf, Ms. Benavente, Ms. Gutierrez and Mr. Mendiola raised their hands.

Mr. Fernandez stated that there are five votes in favor of Mr. Mendiola's nomination.

Ms. Gutierrez stated all those in favor of selecting Mr. John Burch for Chairman of the Board.

Three members, Dr. McNinch, Mr. Burch and Ms. Borja raised their hands.

Mr. Fernandez stated that there are three votes in favor of Mr. John Burch's nomination.

Ms. Gutierrez stated that our new vice chair is Mr. Mark Mendiola. She congratulated Mr. Mendiola.

Mr. Mendiola thanked everyone for their support. He stated that he would do his best during his last year on the board. He stated that he is committed to servicing and appreciates the opportunity to serve his term.

III. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – None.

IV. COMMUNICATIONS

CORRESPONDENCE

Ms. Gutierrez noted that they received notification of the new GFT representative and welcomed Ms. Doris Terlaje back to the GEB.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT. The superintendent provided highlights from his report.

Mr. Mendiola motioned, seconded by Ms. Benavente to accept the Superintendent's Report as presented. The Board voted by voice and approved the motion with a vote of 8-0. The motion passed.

Hearing on Governor's Appointee for the GEB. The public hearing was held on January 2, 2020, for the Governor's appointee, Ms. Felicitas Angel, to fill the retired educator position on the GEB. Chairman Mark Mendiola, Vice-Chairwoman Maria Gutierrez (written), and member John Burch provided testimony in support of her nomination. Her nomination is anticipated to come up for approval at the Legislature's next session.

8th Annual Service Learning and Community Preparedness Summit. A two-day summit was held at the University of Guam for K-12 teachers, in partnership with Guam Homeland Security and other partners. Teachers were able to learn about wildfire mitigation issues in line with Next Generation Science Standards and with service learning opportunities that students might be able to participate in. On the third day, middle school

students were hosted at the Sheraton Hotel to learn about service learning and community service. Also, students were able to participate in a "Leader in Me" training conducted by PHRS.

2nd Annual TCEA Robotics Competition. The second annual TCEA robotics competition was held on Saturday, January 18, 2020, for elementary, middle and high school students. The winners of the competition will represent Guam in Austin, TX.

GDOE Interscholastic Sports Program. GDOE held a press conference on December 19, 2019, to officially launch the ISA league along with the new league logo. ISA began its third quarter sports schedule today, and GEB/GDOE officials celebrated the first games with a brief ceremony at the opening of the Tiyan HS/Okkodo HS junior varsity game at the Tiyan HS gym. Also, on January 18, 2020, the Guam National Olympic Committee's medical team, in partnership with ISA, conducted a series of athlete safety presentations at the GDOE Tiyan HQ. Attending were approximately 100 coaches, administrators, athletic directors, and student athletes. This is the first of several events that GNOC will host for GDOE. GNOC will also beginning its coaching certification programs in March and will be inviting ISA coaches to join.

State Strategic Plan Review. On January 16 and 17, 2020, the federal programs division conducted a workshop for public school and private non-profit school stakeholders. A key component of the workshop was to provide input on the updating of the GDOE State Strategic Plan. It is now anticipated that a draft SSP can be provided to the GEB for its review beginning in February 2020. An updated plan is needed to help guide the new Consolidated Grant cycle that will begin with the upcoming CG grant. The new application is expected to be due in April 2020. The Pacific Resources for Education and Learning (PREL), which operates the Comprehensive Center for Guam's region, has been assisting with this effort.

Simon Sanchez High School Procurement. GDOE issued the solicitation for architectural and engineering services on December 13, 2019. The deadline for submission of proposals is close of business, January 23, 2020. The Evaluation Committee will convene to rank and identify the highest qualified offeror. Negotiations will begin with the highest qualified offeror in the hopes of concluding a contract in February.

Intercom Project. The Governor identified and committed $1.9 million in DOI funds for intercom systems throughout the district. The project requires Section 106 review and approval prior to commencement. The project should result in all schools having working intercom systems.

Governor's School Safety Partnership. Activities to date resulting from the school safety partnership include: 1.) Extended GPD community beat to include presence on high school campuses, 2.) $1.9 million in DOI funding identified to support intercom systems throughout GDOE, 3.) Partnership to extend mental health first aid training to GDOE teachers and staff, 4.) Implementation of Junior Police Cadet program, 5.) Lunch with the Cops (middle school lunch visits), 6.) Fade Away from Violence Elementary School Kickball Tournament (December), 7.) $50,000 in the FY 2020 budget set aside for alternate dispute resolution, 8.) Teen Alcohol Interventions, and 9.) Community Health Center pilot

Hearing on Bills 233 (TEFF Shortfall) and 225 (SSHS). Chairman Mark Mendiola testified on behalf of the board, and Superintendent Jon Fernandez also provided testimony on January 7, 2020, in support of both bills, which would allocates any FY 2019 surplus funding to support addressing the $2.1 million FY 2019 TEFF shortfall and the $2.9 million needed to fund the SSHS A&E work. We will await the consideration of these bills in upcoming legislative sessions.

FY 2019 Cash Position. GDOE continues to report a shortfall of $2.1 million in the TEFF funding appropriated to GDOE during FY 2019. The $2.1 million shortfall exacerbates GDOE's ability to pay vendors on a timely basis.

FY 2020 Budget. Superintendent has tracked first quarter spending through end of December to determine GDOE's ability to meet its obligations and cover personnel and operational costs through the fiscal year. A memo on austerity measures is forthcoming.

FY 2021 Budget. The GEB has begun its review of the FY 2021 budget request and has met with divisions and elementary school principals. A work session to meet with middle and high school principals is scheduled for January 21, 2020. A special meeting will be held on Friday, January 24, 2020, to approve the budget request to be submitted to the Legislature.

USDOE Removal of Special Conditions. USDOE has notified GDOE that its visit has been rescheduled to April 2020, instead of February. GDOE has requested this visit in order for USDOE to conduct a final assessment with regard to GDOE's progress in addressing the special conditions. As part of the REP completion, GDOE will be working on a proposed new organizational structure to reflect the transition of the third party fiduciary agent out of GDOE. GDOE will be assisted in this effort by Brustein and Manasevitz, a law firm specializing in federal education policy and regulations.

Mr. Mendiola expressed his concerns regarding the postponement of USDOE's visit to Guam. He requested that a letter be sent to the Assistant Secretary, Mr. Frank Brogan to inform us of what is really going on and why there is push back.

Mr. Mendiola motioned, seconded by Ms. Benavente for the Chair to send a letter to the USDOE Assistant Secretary Brogan asking him why there is a delay in the evaluation of what the GDOE has submitted in response to High-Risk Status. The Board voted by voice and approved the motion with a vote of 8-0. The motion passed.

Ms. Borja asked if there was any specific reason as to why the visit was pushed back.

Mr. Fernandez responded that he is not aware for the specific reason as to why they are pushing it back but also informed the Board that he has a call later this week with Christine Jackson. He stated that if there is any issue with them securing travel or securing the right team than it is appropriate to reinforce with the Assistant Secretary that there was a commitment to ensure that all the resources would be available. He stated that he'll have a call with Christine Jackson but he thinks it would still be a good idea for the Board to register at a higher level that there is still a commitment and a need to get this work done. Hopefully they will continue to put up the support and resources to make sure it doesn't slip any further.

Mr. Mendiola continued to share his concerns with the scheduling of the visit from USDOE. He stated that he thinks it is important to ask from the top because the commitment came from the Assistant Secretary.

Mr. Fernandez informed the Board that Vice Speaker Nelson's office has informed us of their intent to schedule a hearing regarding the instructional time at the schools. He assured them that he would let them know as soon as any hearings are confirmed.

Ms. Gutierrez asked if any board members would like to take the lead in monitoring legislative hearings that affect the GDOE. She asked Dr. McNinch if he would like to take the lead.

Dr. McNinch responded that he would.

Mayor Savares asked for clarification regarding the grass cutting.

Mr. Fernandez gave clarification and thanked the Mayors Council of Guam of all their assistance with the grass cutting.

Mr. Mendiola thanked the PTO for their hard work as well.

Ms. Gutierrez thanked Mr. Cooper-Nurse his leadership during the time that he was the acting deputy. Ms. Gutierrez asked the Superintendent to keep the Board informed on the Simon Sanchez procurement.

V. EX-OFFICIO MEMBER REPORTS

Ms. Gutierrez informed the ex-officio members that the request for ex-officio reports to be submitted at least three days prior to the meeting so that it can be included in the board packet.

GFT Report – Ms. Terlaje presented the GFT Report.

MCOG Report – Mayor Savares indicated that the only thing she needed to bring up was regarding the grass cutting which she mentioned already.

IBOGS Report – Nicole Glory and Mika Labadnoy presented the IBOGS report.

VI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS/COMMITTEE REPORTS

1) **Executive Committee**

NASBE 2020 Legislative Conference (March 22 – 25) – Ms. Gutierrez stated that the conference would be held in Washington D.C. and the conference would be held with the board of directors. She noted that they would be meeting with their respective committees.

Mr. Mendiola stated that he would like to attend and noted that it is in conjunction with the Council of Chief State School Officers conference. He recommended that all members participate especially because they would be doing a full presentation at the CCSSO conference. He noted that the Superintendent would be hosting the conference and showcasing the GDOE, some of our challenges and some of our successes.

Mr. Lujan motioned, seconded by Mr. Mendiola to approve the travel for all board members to attend the NASBE 2020 Legislative Conference, subject to the availability of funds. The Board voted by voice and approved the motion with a vote of 8-0. The motion passed.

Ms. Gutierrez asked the board members to inform Christie if they are interested in attending the conference.

Ms. Gutierrez informed the Board that she was emailed and asked to serve on the awards committee for NSABE. She stated that she was honored to be asked to serve on the committee. She also noted that she would be participating through teleconference.

Superintendent's Evaluation – Dr. McNinch informed the Board that since the last meeting he had the opportunity to discuss this topic with the Superintendent. He stated that the format would be the same as last year, which was statute-based. He stated that they reviewed the template and felt that question seventeen was superfluous because it was something that was already done. If the template is approved, the recommendation was that within the upcoming month they could put the evaluation out on an electronic Qualtrics or Survey Monkey type of format and then it would allow for the members to complete.

Ms. Gutierrez asked Dr. McNinch to send it to all board members and then they could have a work session to discuss it.

2) **Instructional & Academic Support Committee**

Head Start Report – Ms. Respicio presented the Head Start Report.

3) **Fiscal Management**

Update on FY20 Budget – Mr. Mendiola briefed the Board on the AP Aging Report. He stated that hopefully they could begin working on reducing the numbers owed to the vendors but noted that it hinges upon the cash flow that comes in from the government. Mr. Mendiola also reminded the Board that they gave authorization to the Superintendent to utilize 4 million dollars for Simon Sanchez High School. He noted that they are hoping that the bill that was introduced by Senator San Agustin and the Governor's 1.1

million dollar commitment will help us and we won't have to utilize our operational costs. He provided an update on the FY20 appropriations and allotments. Mr. Mendiola also brief the Board on the recent budget work sessions and the processes. He commended the Principals for being creative and doing their best to meet the mandates despite the limited amount of resources. He informed the Board that the next step is the special board meeting on Friday where they will vote on a Board resolution to adopt the budget. Once the budget is adopted it will be transmitted to the Legislature, the Legislature will have a couple of months to review it and then sometime around June they will call us for the budget hearing. He noted that he requested to meet with the Education Chair to brief her on what they have been discussing in the budget work sessions.

Ms. Gutierrez commented that since Mr. Burch heard from all the principals in the work session he could let the senators know what their response was to the issue regarding site-based management.

Mr. Burch commented that yes, the principals stated that they are not ready for site-based management. He noted that their comments were that maybe if they had the proper training and the proper personnel for it they would consider looking at it but currently their answer is no.

Mr. Mendiola invited the ex-officio members to attend the meeting as well. He stated that they don't want any surprises once the budget comes through. Once they pass the budget we have to come back and whatever the number is they as a board will look at their spending priorities. Often times they don't usually get the amount that they request.

Mr. Burch asked if they are going to see the final budget and whether they will be voting on it at the meeting on Friday.

Mr. Mendiola responded yes, they will see it in resolution form. He noted that he also wants to see the conversion of Chief Brodie and the discussion that they've had.

Mr. Burch asked if the concerns that were mentioned regarding duplications would be removed.

Mr. Mendiola responded that it would be reviewed by the Budget team. He noted that he told them that the numbers have to be reviewed by the Superintendent in terms of what his priorities are too and how he is going to manage it.

They discussed the school visits and Mr. Burch reiterated the importance of visiting the schools who need the most help first so that the senators can also see them.

Ms. Gutierrez also invited the mayors to join them when they do the school visits.

Mayor Savares agreed and said she would make sure to have representatives from the mayor's offices are present at the visits.

VII. EXECUTIVE SESSION – None.

VIII. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND ADJOURNMENT –

Mr. Mendiola moved, seconded by Mr. Burch to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed.

Ms. Gutierrez adjourned the meeting at 7:08 p.m.

MINUTES SUBMITTED BY:

CHRISTIE L. SAN NICOLAS
Administrative Officer

Date: February 6, 2019

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Lourdes M. Benavente
Karlyn RCG Borja
John T. Burch
Ray P. Chargualaf, Jr.
James C. Lujan
Ron L. McNinch, PhD

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IBOGS Representative

Doris A. Terlaje
GFT Representative

Mayor, Melissa B. Savares
MCOG Representative

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

Jon J.P. Fernandez
GDOE Superintendent

I. MEETING CALL TO ORDER

Ms. Maria A. Gutierrez, Chairwoman, called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS

Dr. Sukola, Acting 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)
Borja, Karlyn RCG
Burch, John T.
Lujan, James C. (via video-conference)
McNinch, Dr. Ron L. (via tele-conference)

Non-Voting Members:
Terlaje, Doris A. – GFT Representative

Legal Counsel:
Stake, James

Absent:
Chargualaf, Ray P., Jr. – excused
Savares, Melissa B. – MCOG Representative
IBOGS Representatives

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

Ms. Gutierrez, addressing everyone in the room, stated that the reason why they invited the school principals and the division heads is because they want to be sure that they all certified and signed their budgets and were not forced to sign before they send it to the Legislature. She stated that she wanted them all to raise their hands if they signed and agreed to their budgets and if not, to let them know. She noted that there is a budget hearing set for February 21, 2020 at 1 pm.

II. **NEW BUSINESS**

1) **FY2021 GDOE Budget** – Mr. Mendiola stated that at this point of the budget process, the Board will be submitting a resolution. He noted that often times we go through this exercise and times where we request numbers based on the law and the 14 points. Unfortunately, the reality is that we get a significant cut and the challenges we face as a department, as an agency is how do we spend and set priorities with the limited amount of resources. He stated that he wants to reassure the principals, the administrators and also the parents that have been a part of this process, that the Board does not take lightly their comments and concerns when it comes to the safety and special needs of our children. We hope that in this resolution and through our advocacy down at the Legislature, we will push for any money that the GDOE deserves so that we can ensure that our employees are made whole, our facilities are up to standard, and that we get the resources to meet the needs of our mission.

Dr. Zeny Asuncion recognized the diligence of the Budget office, Kristen Romero, Isabel Lujan, Tiara Cunningham and Jesse Espinal. She recognized them specifically for the last few days for working tirelessly above and beyond to prepare, flush out schedules and do edits on the resolution. She thanked the schools who delivered their 100 percent budget confirmations. She also thanked Mr. Cooper-Nurse who has been assisting her for the past two weeks and who has institutional knowledge and was there every step of the way working with the budget staff.

Mr. Mendiola read GEB Resolution 2020-01 into the record.

Mr. Mendiola motioned, seconded by Mr. Burch to approve GEB Resolution 2020-01 Relative to Fiscal Year 2021 Annual Budget Request for the Guam Department of Education. The Board voted by voice and approved the motion with a vote of 7-0. The motion passed.

Mr. Lujan commented that over the past year the Governor's Office and the Legislature have been intrinsically involved with the Department so there should be no reason to have questions when our budget is submitted to the floor of the Legislature. They have all been involved and have seen what the Department has been doing and that we have been diligently working hard to make the mandates of the people and the Third Party Judiciary. He commented that he hopes that now they will support, if not the total amount at least more than what they have given us for the last several years. Especially if they are saying that we are going to realize a surplus.

Ms. Gutierrez thanked her colleagues for their participation during the work sessions and thanked Ms. Borja for her recommendations regarding the Central Middle School. She also thanked Mr. Mendiola and the budget and finance committee for their work.

Mr. Mendiola noted that were sure to include the issues with Special Education. He assured everyone that this issue will be kept on their radar. He stated that the Superintendent committed to standing up a group within the organization to provide to the Board some solutions on how we will address some of the shortfalls in that area. He commented that hopefully with this comprehensive resolution, we will show our elected leaders that we need the resources and that they can not continue to ask us to meet all of these mandates and not give us the resources to do it. He thanked Senator Telena Nelson for meeting with them and allowing them to share with her the resolution and their plans. He commented that he firmly believes that if everyone works together and tries to figure out what they can do to get the best results for our students, and despite the challenges faced with our government and all our resources, the GDOE needs to get fully funded. We need to get funded and we need to provide the support.

Acting Superintendent Sukola took the roll call for voting purposes. The following members were **present and voted** for the motion:

Voting Members:	**Vote:**
Mendiola, Mark B. – Chairman	Yes

Gutierrez, Maria A. – Vice Chairwoman	Yes
Benavente, Lourdes M. (via video-conference)	Yes
Borja, Karlyn RCG	Yes
Burch, John T.	Yes
Lujan, James C. (via video-conference)	Yes
McNinch, Dr. Ron L. (via tele-conference)	Yes

Dr. Sukola confirmed that all seven (7) members who were present voted yes.

III. ADJOURNMENT –

Mr. Mendiola moved, seconded by Mr. Burch to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed.

Ms. Gutierrez adjourned the meeting at 10:38 a.m.

MINUTES SUBMITTED BY:

Christie San Nicolas

CHRISTIE L. SAN NICOLAS
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