Domestic Dependent Elementary and Secondary Schools
Guam District
Office of the Superintendent
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School Board Official Minutes
March 11, 2008 6:00 – 7:30pm
Guam High School Library

School Board Members Present
Sylvia Taylor
Elmer F. Taylor
Johnny S. Lizama
Ruth Pettit

School Board Members Absent
Michael A. Dezellem (TDY)

Non-voting Members Present
Michael Diekmann

Non-voting Members Absent
Ms. Barbara Askey
Clarissa Hautea-Rosario

The meeting was called to order at 6:08 pm by Vice President Elmer F. Taylor

The School Board approved the minutes for the February 2008 meeting.

Principals' Reports

Dr. Rita Williams, Principal, Guam High School (GHS)

- NJROTC Ball was held at the Hilton on Saturday, March 8th. Captain Janice Wynn, Guest Speaker
- Pacific Army Band from Camp Zama performed during lunch on March 10th and were accompanied by some of our very own music students, Katie Perkins (flute), Trevor Cheatham (saxophone), Warren Scott (trombone), and Stuart Talley, (trumpet). Students and staff had a grand "hand clapping, foot stomping" time as the band played "Dixieland" and New Orleans Jazz.
- 12 GHS students who auditioned were selected to attend the Far East Music Festival. Three students made First Chair; Katie Perkins (flute), Stuart Talley (trumpet) and Warren Scott (trombone).
- GHS NJROTC Company hosted a marksmanship competition with local schools. GHS teams place 2nd and 6th.

- Guam High School students participated in the Student Exchange Program. Students from Notre Dame, Southern, George Washington, Father Duenas, and Southern Christian Academy experienced student life at GHS for two days. In turn, 13 GHS students attended school at Southern and Notre Dame. All students stated the exchange program was beneficial to learn more about the local schools.
- Ms. Peggy Denny was a featured guest on GHS CCTV Channel 90 to provide more information on the Recycling program. GHS student council and NHS members will begin an awareness campaign to encourage students, staff and parents to bring aluminum cans to the recycle bin located in the GHS student parking lot.
- The GHS Boys JV Basketball team will play Southern High on Wednesday, March 12 for the JV Basketball championship.
- The NJROTC Annual Ball was held at the Hilton on March 8th. It was a gala affair. Captain Janice Wynn was the keynote speaker.
- Chamorro Day is happening at GHS on Friday, March 14th. There will be exhibits of student-made projects, to include replicas of latte stones, proas, and huts. The Guam Departments of Wildlife, Fisheries, and Agriculture will have informational displays and samples. Local artisans will be displaying their art, including Mar Mar weaving, coconut candy making. There will be performances by GHS Ukulele Club and Northern Roots Band, comprised of GHS students.

Ms. Cherrye Hall, Principal, Andersen Elementary School (AES)

As of 25 Mar 08

- Enrollment 926 Students
- 100% PPD Completed for Faculty and Staff
- Speech Pathologist resigned after FMLA – Temporary detail of SLP certified staff to this position/Long-term Sub in for FLES
- 98% AT Level 1 Awareness Training Completed – New Hire
- SY 2008-2009 School Board Member Applications – Deadline is 9 April 2008.
- Registration/Re-Registration 14-18 April 2008
- AES SY 2007-2008 Yearbook Pre-Order through 31 Mar 08 - $40.00 through PTO or online at http://shop.jostens.com/yrbk.asp

SCHOOL YEAR 2007-2008

18 Mar – Tue
Keikyu Kindergarten Teachers visit AES Kindergarten 0900-1100
1st Grade field trip (Miles/Bates) Underwater World 0815-1015
7th Grade Reading Buddies in 1st Grade classrooms 0930-1000
Staff development 1420 Dolphin Theater

19 Mar – Wed
1st Grade field trip (Marquez/Carino) Underwater World 0815-1015
Student Council 1430-1530 w/ Mrs. Dickman and Mrs. Whitworth

20 Mar – Thu
1st Grade field trip (Puckett/Ramos) Underwater World 0815-1015
Guam High School Drama Presentation Dolphin Theater
- 0845-0930 - 1st and 2nd Grades
- 0935-1020 – Kinder and 3rd Grade

FETC – SharePoint Bloggs
Night of the Arts Sponsored by the Art Dept & Yearbook Staff 1730-1830

21 Mar – Fri
1st Grade field trip (Preston/Rhodes) Underwater World 0815-1015

23 Mar – Sun	Easter
24 – 28 March	PTO Spring Photos
24 Mar – 3 Apr	Counselor's "Career Education" guidance
24 Mar – Mon	Fire drill 1245 PTO executive board Kangaroo Club 1430-1530 Gym Chess Club 1420-1520 Room C-5 Ukulele Club 1420-1520 Room B-11
25 Mar – Tue	2nd Grade Field Trip Cushing Zoo 0815-1015 (Perez/Garcia) SWA – Database is closed to the Area Summer POC Staff development 1420 Dolphin Theater
26 Mar – Wed	2nd Grade Field Trip Cushing Zoo 0815-1015 (Snyder/Herr) SWA - Database is open to the HQ Summer POCs for review 3rd Grade Living Museum in the Dolphin Theater 1730-1830 with the Monthly PTO Meeting
27 Mar – Thu	2nd Grade Field Trip Cushing Zoo 0815-1015 (Hines/Awa) Soroban Demonstration 1200 to 1400 Looking at Student Work Study Group in Room A-17 from 1430-1530
28 Mar - Fri	2nd Grade Field Trip Cushing Zoo 0815-1015 (Atkinson/Washington) 0900-1030 PreK performance Dolphin Theater (plays & songs) 1300-1430 PreK performance Dolphin Theater (plays & songs) Gen PTO meeting 1730 Dolphin Theater
31 Mar - Mon	Last Day to Pre-Order AES 2007-08 Yearbook through the PTO Kangaroo Club 1430-1530 Gym Chess Club 1420-1520 Room C-5 Ukulele Club 1420-1520 Room B-11
APRIL	National Poetry Month, Special Education Month, Month of the Military Child, Child Abuse Prevention Month, DoDEA Writing Assessment, Mathematics Education, National Environmental Education (EE) Week 13-19 April
1 Apr – Tue	April Fool's Day Kinder field trip (Camacho/Roberts) Cushing Zoo 0815-1015
2 Apr – Wed	International Children's Book Day Kinder field trip (Duenas/Martino) Cushing Zoo 0815-1015 PTO Bake Sale Student Council 1430-1530 w/ Mrs. Dickman
3 Apr – Thu	Kinder field trip (Cameron/Raimo) Cushing Zoo 0815-1015 End of 3rd Qtr (48 classroom days) 4th/5th Grade Book Club Café 1430-1530
4 Apr - Fri	No School for students – Teacher progress and data updating workday Para Educators training @ GHS 0800-1500
07 – 13 April	Spring Break – return to duty Monday 14 April
9 Apr – Wed	SWA – HQ Professional Development reviews the database
12 Apr – Sat	National Drop Everything and Read Day (DEAR)
13-19 April	National Library Week
14 – 18 Apr	Re-registration & School Board Elections

14 -15 April	PTO sets up in front Atrium for Book Fair
14 Apr – Mon	SWA – List of approved summer participants open to Areas and Districts for review PTO executive board Kangaroo Club 1430-1530 Gym Chess Club 1420-1520 Room C-5 Ukulele Club 1420-1520 Room B-11 Young People's Poetry Week
15 Apr – Tue	SST 0800-0930 Room A-18 Reading Buddies in 1st Grade classes 0930-1000 District School Board meeting 0800 GHS Staff development 1420 Dolphin Theater

Marti, Assistant Principal, Andersen Middle School (AMS)

- National Geography Bee- Congratulations! Zachary MacKeller (7th Grader) qualified to take the test for the Pacific Territories on 04 April in the office of Congresswoman Madeline Bordallo. He is among the top ten students on Guam, The Northern Marianas and American Samoa taking this test.
- 7 March- SIP and FETC- Very successful in-service trainings.
- 11 March- Tumon Bay Music Festival - AMS Band Plays first at 7:00pm (Tonight)
- 12 March- PTSO Meeting @ 5:00 in Dragon Theater
- Terra Nova Testing
- March 12 (Wednesday) Science
- March 13 (Thursday) Social Studies
    - <u>Make-up Dates:</u>
    - March 17 Math
    - March 18 Lang. Arts - Reading
    - March 19 Science
    - March 20 Social Studies
- 13 March- Boys Basketball Game against McCool @ AMS
- 14 March- School Photo for Yearbook
- 19 March- Drama Performances (POC Ms. Nelson)
- 20-21 March- Guam National History Day Judging –Expo Hall (POC Ms Cruz)
- 24-28 March- Science Fair Displays- (POC Ms. Salas)
- 25 March- SIP Committee Meeting- Community welcome to join us.
- 29 March- Beach Clean Up- WAVE Club
- 29 March- Guam National History Day Island Wide Competition
- 3 April- Marie Meyers' retirement Top of the Mar @ 6:00pm (Mongolian Barbecue) 29.5 Years with DoDEA
- 4 April- Teacher Workday No school for students
- 7-11 April- Spring Break
- 14 April- 4th Quarter Begins
- 16 April- Report Cards will be sent home with students.

- AMS Parent Forum every Monday 3:30 – 4:30pm
- Cross Country begins in April after Spring Break

Mr. Stan Chop, Principal, McCool Elementary Middle School (MEMS)

- McCool welcomes Mr. Scantlan as our new assistant principal.
- First Lady of Guam visited MEMS to meet with Mr. Diekmann, DRMO folks, GSA folks, GPSS folks and others to coordinate efforts to transfer old furniture to GPSS when the new McCool opens.
- Mr. Scantlan attended security training today for active shooter on campus.
- We are in the midst of Terra Nova Assessments this week.
- The students participated in Read Across America activities last week which was kicked off with a school wide assembly. Mr. Chop read a Horton Hears a Who. Classes wore Seuss hats and recited poems they had written.
- We had a successful SIP training last Friday. Our elementary teachers were trained in the new science program. The middle school teachers and specialists were trained in SharePoint.
- The middle school chorus performed last Thursday night at St. John's Church with the Tumon Bay Festival. The band is performing tonight at the Acura Hotel.
- The National Guard will be bringing their climbing wall for the middle schoolers on 18 March.
- The PTO is preparing for a Book Fair in April.
- We are preparing for a Science Fair on 2-3 April.
- The Friendship Band Fest is coming up 15 April.

Superintendent's Report: Mr. Michael Diekmann

- Other than the movement at Andersen Schools to cover the Communications Impaired vacancy, we have no other changes.
- Overall the enrollment remains steady.
- The Superintendent and Marti attended Career Day at F.B. Leon Guerrero School.
- Mr. Scantlan has transferred to McCool School as the assistant principal. Ms Sherry Hall has switched schools with Mr. Scantlan. We need to have an administrator on site to close McCool and move to the new school.
- Mr. Kevin Kelley, SES II and the DoDEA Deputy Director, will visit Guam to review our fiscal and logistical programs. He will also be visiting with the military leaderships to discuss the future military buildup in Guam.
- The Guam High School canoe is almost completed. Now we will be able to offer outrigger paddling as part of our athletics program.
- The newly assigned superintendent for Guam, Dr. Gayle Vaughn-Wiles, will be visiting DDESS Headquarters in Peach Tree City, Georgia to familiarize herself with the DDESS program. Following that visit, Dr. Vaughn-Wiles will visit Guam the week of April 14, to meet the military Commands and visit the schools.

OLD BUSINESS

- The School Board elections are on schedule for the week of April 14. A job description was developed and nomination packages have been sent to the schools for parent pickup. The schools have sent out an email to remind parents of the up coming election and to solicit interested candidates.
- School Board training for the members and the superintendent will occur in early September once school resumes for 2008-2009.
- Each year all returning students must re-register. This is a requirement that allows us to review each student's eligibility annually and for parents to provide updated information(phone numbers, addresses, email etc.)
  Reregistration/registration for school year 2008-2009 is scheduled for the week of April 14 as follows:
  - April 14-18 - Andersen Schools register at Andersen Elementary School
  - April 14-15 - Guam High registers at AES
  - April 14-18 – McCool registers at McCool
  - April 16-17 Guam High registers at McCool
  - April 18 – Guam High registers at Guam High

  It is important for all returning families to register during the week of April 14, as this information is used to develop the master schedule for next school year.
- The Bylaws for the PTO and Booster Clubs will be made public via the DoDEA/DDESS Guam Websites.
- The recycle bins should be in use at the schools. At Guam High School, the bins are located in the parking lot near the pool.

NEW BUSINESS

No new business

OPEN FORUM:

- The Sub Club thanked Guam High School for letting them use the school for a fund raising activity. The proceeds will go toward a scholarship.
- The Navy Relief will support the exchange of used uniforms. They will also collect out grown uniforms to recycle to interested new families.

PTO

- No PTO News

The next meeting will be held on April 22, at 6:00 PM at Guam High School.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:00 PM.

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Date Signed

Chairperson