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April 1, 2010

The Honorable Judith T. Won Pat, Ed.D. Speaker
Office of the Speaker
I Mina'trenta Na Liheslaturan Guahan
155 Hesler Place
Hagatna, Guam 96910

Re: FY2011 Department of Education Budget

Hafa Adai Speaker Won Pat!

Attached please find Guam Education Policy Board Resolution 2010-03, Relative to Fiscal Year 2011 Appropriation for the Department of Education. Also attached is an electronic copy of the Budget Documents. Sixteen hard copies will be delivered to your office.

This budget was developed with the input of the various school administrators and division heads. Special attention was given to the mandates of the "Every Child is Entitled to an Adequate Public Education Act", the Board Union Contract, the Evergreen Management Audit, the District Action Plan, the Special Conditions imposed by the U.S. Department of Education, and most importantly, the needs of our employees and students. I have instructed my staff to work closely with you and your staff to ensure that you have what is needed for an efficient budget review and approval process.

We look forward to collaborating with you to ensure that resources are used to provide our students a world class education in an environment that is safe, healthy and conducive to learning.

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NERISSA B UNDERWOOD, PhD

Superintendent

**Enclosures** 

cc:

The Honorable Felix Camacho, Governor of Guam (with enclosures)

The Honorable Vicente Pangelinan, Chair, Committee on Appropriations, Taxation, Banking, Insurance,

Retirement, and Land (with enclosures)

**Guam Education Policy Board Members** 

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## **GUAM EDUCATION POLICY BOARD RESOLUTION NUMBER 2010-03**



Introduced by:

Guam Education Policy Board Members

## RELATIVE TO FISCAL YEAR 2011 APPROPRIATION FOR DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Section 3121 of Title 17 of the Guam Code Annotated, the Guam Education Policy Board (GEPB) is responsible for approving a budget by resolution; and

WHEREAS, a Finance Committee made up of school administrators, the Deputy Superintendent of Financial and Administrative Services and budget analysts was formed to develop budget guidelines that were used in the preparation of the FY2011 budget; and

WHEREAS, 11 GCA, Chapter 52, Subsection 52101, mandates that "[T]he Superintendent of Education shall conduct public hearings at the public schools prior to the submission of the budget to the Guam Education Policy Board in order to address each school's individual budgetary requirements" as a result of the mandate Regional Stakeholder Meetings were held from January 1 through January 7, 2010 to give stakeholders the opportunity to provide input in the FY2011 budget; and

WHEREAS, the administrators and department heads have been given the opportunity to review and make input into their budgets and the Board has reviewed the budget over several working sessions; and

**WHEREAS**, the FY2011 Executive Budget submitted by the Governor of Guam projects an 8.56% increase in FY2011 revenues but allocated 6.78% less to the Department of Education compared to FY2010 appropriations; and

**WHEREAS**, the Guam Education Policy Board in Resolution 2010-01 stated the Guam Education Policy Board would submit a more detailed and thorough budget on April 30, 2010 to the Guam Legislature; and

WHEREAS, the Speaker's Office of the Guam Legislature has requested that the detailed budget be presented on or before April 1, 2010; and,

WHEREAS, the Guam Education Policy Board agrees that the budget must meet the goals of the "Every Child is Entitled to an Adequate Public Education Act," which falls within the statutory responsibility of the Department of Education; and

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, the Guam Education Policy Board does hereby adopt and transmit herewith the Department of Education Fiscal Year 2011 Budget for review by *I Mina' Trenta na Liheslaturan Guåhan* on this 31<sup>st</sup> day of March, 2010.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** that pursuant to 17 GCA §3112(17) the Guam Education Policy Board does hereby approve the FY 2011 budget, to include special appropriations, as outlined below:

	MANDATE	AMOUNT
1	A certified teacher for every class in a ratio established by relevant collective bargaining agreements	135,395,565
2	Certified Professional Administrators	9,357,989
3	Certified Guidance Counselors	4,960,756

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	MANDATE	AMOUNT
4	Certified School Health Counselors	4,636,384
5	Certified Allied Health Professionals	678,140
6	Air-conditioned or properly ventilated classrooms in which the sensible air temperature is no greater than 78° F	3,500,000
7	Potable water sufficient to provide each student a daily ration of drinking and washing water	1,531,820
8	A reliable supply of electricity	15,655,896
9	Proper sanitation to include flushable toilets, clean restrooms, clean dining areas, and classrooms	3,200,000
10	Adopted and required textbooks and workbooks issued to each public school student for the classes in which he/she is enrolled	2,000,000
11	Libraries, which meet the standards of the American Association of School Librarians, at each school, operated by certified librarians	2,527,299
12	A healthy, safe, sanitary learning environment	6,300,000
13	At least one hundred eighty (180) instructional days each school year with school years ending no later than thirty (30) days following the end of the calendared school year; and	76,522,961
14	Regular; timely school bus transportation to and from the school	561,752
	266,828,562	

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the Honorable Speaker Judith T. Won Pat, I Mina' Trenta Na Liheslaturan Guåhan, the Honorable Governor Felix P. Camacho, I Magá låhen Guåhan and the Honorable Senator Ben Pangelinan, I Mina' Trenta Na Liheslaturan Guåhan.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED THIS 31st DAY OF MARCH, 2010.

**Guam Education Policy Board** 

NERISSA BRETANIA UN Executive Secretary