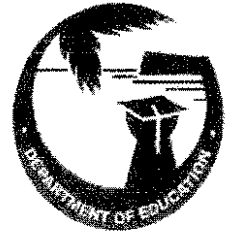


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Should you have any questions, please contact me at 300-1547.

*Senseramente,*

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## **PUBLIC NOTICE** **Guam Education Board** **SPECIAL MEETING**

**Tuesday, March 17, 2015**

**6 PM**

**GDOE Conference Room, Building B**

### **AGENDA**

#### **VOTING MEMBERS**

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- I. Meeting Call to Order
- II. Roll Call of Members
- III. New Business
  - 1) Board Policy 705- Food and Nutrition Services Management
- IV. Adjournmentw

## 2 officers shot in Ferguson

FERGUSON, Mo. (AP) — A spokesman for the St. Louis County police department says two officers have been shot in front of the Ferguson Police Department.

Spokesman Brian Scheffman says the officers were shot shortly after midnight Thursday. He says their conditions were unknown and no further details were immediately available.

Shots were fired as protesters gathered following the resignation of the city's embattled Police Chief Thomas Jackson on Wednesday. Jackson was the sixth employee to resign or be fired

after a Justice Department report cleared a white former Ferguson police officer, Darren Wilson, of civil rights charges in the shooting of black 18-year-old Michael Brown in Ferguson last summer. Wilson has since resigned.

Two police officers were shot outside the Ferguson Police Department early Thursday as protesters gathered following the resignation of the city's embattled police chief, the St. Louis Post-Dispatch reported.

The shots were fired as what had earlier been a crowd of about 150 people had begun to disperse, the newspaper reported. Some

protesters fell to the ground and other than a major police presence, including officers in riot gear, later surrounded the department.

Ferguson Lt. Col. Al Fickhoff told the newspaper that he didn't think either officer was from his department. Fickhoff said he didn't know the extent of the officers' injuries.

Representatives from the St. Louis County Police Department and Ferguson Police Department could not immediately be reached. The Highway Patrol said early Thursday that troopers were headed to the scene but they could not provide any details.

## 15-year-old boy arrested in kidnapping caught on video

SPRAGUE, Wash. (AP) — A 15-year-old boy was arrested Wednesday in the short-lived kidnapping of a 22-month-old toddler that was caught on surveillance video in this small farming town in eastern Washington.

The teenage boy, who lives in Sprague, was identified through the use of surveillance video, interviews and evidence collection, Lincoln County Sheriff Wade Magers said.

The boy's identity was being withheld because he is a juvenile, Magers said.

"Over the past 72 hours, deputies and detectives have worked relentlessly on this case," Magers said in a news release.

Detectives started focusing on the teen in the 24 hours before the arrest, Magers said. "Additional evidence, interviews, DNA collection and surveillance was conducted," Magers said. "A search warrant was executed at the suspect's residence."

One of the kidnap victim's young siblings also positively identified the suspect, Magers said.

The 15-year-old was booked into a juvenile detention facility on suspicion of second-degree kidnapping, Magers said. The Lincoln County prosecutor's office will make the formal charging decisions.

Magers thanked the media for distributing pictures of the kidnapper and the public for providing tips. The sheriff's office said he was not available to talk with reporters Wednesday afternoon.

The case drew wide attention when dramatic surveil-

lance video footage showed a male running down a sidewalk with the toddler in his arms Sunday.

The child's two siblings screamed and chased him. The scene ended after two teenage boys joined the chase, and the kidnapper put down the toddler and fled. The toddler was not hurt.

Sprague is a town of about 500 people on Interstate 90, about 40 miles west of Spokane.

The incident began after Michael Wright left his three children with a baby sitter in Sprague on Sunday while he went to work. The children — Brenden, 10, Delicia, 8, and the toddler — were playing unsupervised in a city park near the sitter's home.

Sheriff's deputies said the kidnapper talked with the children for a few minutes, then scooped the toddler out of his stroller and ran down the street. Surveillance video from a grocery store showed the kidnapper running, child in arms, with Delicia chasing and Brenden not far behind.

Delicia's screams alerted Dorothy Giddings, who was working at her antique store downtown.

Giddings said she realized what was happening and sent her grandson Andrew Crane, 15, and his friend Isaac Yow, 16, to chase the kidnapper.

As the older boys approached, the person put the child down in a vacant lot and fled, the sheriff's office said.

No vehicle was seen with the kidnapper, who was initially described by the sheriff's office as about 30 years old, 6-foot to 6-foot-2, with a thin build, brown hair and a mustache.

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**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Guam Education Board  
**REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING**  
Tuesday, March 17, 2015  
8 PM  
GDOE Conference Room, Building B, Tiyon

**AGENDA**

- Meeting Call to Order
- Roll Call of Members
- New Business
  - Board Policy 705: Food and Nutrition Services Management
- Adjournment

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**MINUTES**

**I. MEETING CALL TO ORDER**

Mr. Peter Alecxis D. Ada, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 6:01 PM.

**II. 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:***

Ada, Peter Alecxis D.- Chair  
Benavente, Lourdes M.  
Chargualaf, Kenneth P.  
Concepcion, Charlene D. - *(Video Skype)*  
Cruz, Dr. Jose Q.  
Gutierrez, Maria A.  
San Nicolas, Lourdes B.  
Tainatongo, Rosie R.  
Torres, Ryan F.

***Non-Voting Members:***

Fernandez, Luke (SSHS)- IBOGS Representative  
Matanane, Rudy M. – Yigo Mayor and MCOG education liaison

***Absent:***

Perez, Audrey (SSHS) – GFT Representative

The DOE legal counsel, Mr. Andrew Perez, was present for the meeting.

The Superintendent announced that there is a quorum. *(By law, five voting members constitute a quorum. Nine (9) voting members were present for this meeting.)*

The Chairman made an announcement that there was a slight error on the advertisement on the newspaper that read regular meeting. It should have read "special meeting." This meeting will be conducted as a special meeting.

The Superintendent announced that the Board should take an action to approve the participation of Mrs. Concepcion by video conference before proceeding.

The Chairman reported that Mrs. Concepcion is off-island on deployment and will be able to participate with us, However, she has written to the board requesting to participate in this evenings meeting.

**Mrs. Gutierrez made a motion to accept Mrs. Charlene Concepcion's participation through Skype for this special meeting, seconded by Mr. Chargualaf. The Board voted by show of hands and passed the motion. The vote was 8- 0 in favor.**

### III. NEW BUSINESS

#### 1) Board Policy 705- Food and Nutrition Service and Management

The Superintendent reported that on March 10, 2015, he wrote a letter to the board requesting for a work session and special meeting because of the issue and questions raised around Mes Chamorro and Gupot Chamorro as the schools were planning their celebrations. Administrators sought district guidance on what was allowed under the board policy. Superintendent advised that the board policy enforces requirements on all food sold or distributed in school and afterschool.

The Superintendent's recommendation for the purposes of dealing with the short term is to approve an exception to the nutritional requirements for one-time privately catered events during School Year 2014-2015 to include, but not limited to, events such as Gupot Chamorro, Senior and Junior Promenades, Promotional Ceremonies and Awards and Induction Ceremonies. This recommendation is made with the following considerations.

1. The National School Lunch Program does have requirements with regard to providing reimbursable breakfasts and lunch to students. When USDA Officials were on Guam, he had an opportunity to talk with them. They clarified as far as USDA is concern is that no food items will be sold in competition with the school lunch. Otherwise, USDA was fine with the Superintendent's proposal.
2. The exception allows privately catered events to bypass the nutritional review required by Board Policy 705, which currently applies to all food sold, given out or distributed during the school day and at school-sanctioned activities outside of the school day.
3. Privately operated caterers must be in compliance with the licensing and certification requirements of all government regulatory agencies as they relate to the preparation, transportation and distribution of food.
4. Written authorization from parent or guardian regarding student participation will be collected at the individual school sites.

Mrs. Tainatongo asked about potlucks being allowed.

The Superintendent responded that it is customary in our culture to celebrate with food and for that reason he's suggesting that we take a look at the board policy long term. For long term we want to make sure that we have a common sense policy that we can live with in regard to food being brought in. The concern about potlucks is that it's very difficult, if not impossible for an administrator who is in charge of that school to be able to oversee, confirm and ensure the proper preparation handling and distribution of the food from when it's being prepared at home and coming inside the campus. The question was who's responsibility would it be should there be an incident, whether there's food poisoning of some sort. If the school is facilitating it, is sponsoring it, is encouraging it that becomes an issue for the school in terms of responsibility.

Mrs. Tainatongo asked whether sponsorship by the student organization or the PTO addressed concerns. The Superintendent responded that issue would be if it's held at a school campus, there's still a level of responsibility that the school system has for that.

Mrs. Gutierrez asked the Superintendent in regard to his recommendation, what was some of the feedback from the school administrators.

The Superintendent responded that there was general support for this type of a compromise to try and find some type of middle ground to allow the schools to celebrate. Some of the administrators wanted to maintain the board policy as is because of the nutritional requirements.

He also mentioned another concern that was raised about those that can't afford a caterer. He pointed out that some of the schools took advantage of our option that we put out to work with existing food vendor to try and provide a culturally themed menu.

Ms. San Nicolas recommended going beyond the licensing and certification requirements for these private vendors or caterers and asking vendors to sign some kind of document that states that they would take full responsibility if an issue arises.

The Superintendent also clarified that events will take place 30 minutes after the lunch period so this will not interfere with the school lunch. Everyone will have the opportunity to eat lunch and in regards to the vendors signing a document for assurance on taking full responsibility there has to be regulatory requirements to remain in business so long as they meet those requirements they're going to want to be in compliance with regard to how they handle and distribute food.

Mrs. Concepcion asked how we can make a waiver work with this situation.

The Superintendent responded that the only guidance that he was providing with regard to the waiver was that, in the past, as we were providing for waivers and parents were signing it, he advised that it was not likely to protect us because we were in clear violation of our own policies. Now if they ask for a waiver of liability they would want to make sure that actions are consistent with board policy that's why they are proposing an amendment and the second issue was to ensure that we were taking all precautions on our end to ensure the health and safety of our own students and

proposed to do that by requiring privately catered vendors who are compliant with their licensing and certification requirement.

**The Board took a break at 6:49 PM. Session resumed at 6:54 PM.**

Mr. Luke Fernandez voiced his opinion that school is not only about the textbooks and desk and being in a classroom environment. It's also about school pride, togetherness, growth and knowledge that goes beyond the classrooms. Gupot Chamorro is part of our tradition, cultural and heritage.

The Chairman asked Mr. Luke Fernandez although he can't vote but would you support the amendment to bond Policy 705 that would allow for a one-time shot for Gupot Chamorro and then the board will go back to the policy and review it to further define it.

Mr. Luke Fernandez answered, affirmatively.


**Mr. Chargualaf made a motion to accept the recommendation of the Superintendent as a one-time recommendation and that the board shall proceed to revisit the issue, seconded by Mrs. Gutierrez. The Board voted by show of hands and approved the motion with a vote of 7 – 2 in favor (For: L. Benavente, K. Chargualaf, C. Concepcion, M. Gutierrez, L. San Nicolas, R. Tainatongo, and R. Torres; Against: P. Ada and J. Cruz).**

The Chairman announced that the Gupot Chamorro can proceed in accordance to the rules and guidelines set forth in the letter dated March 17, 2015, by the Superintendent.

**IV. ADJOURNMENT**

**Mrs. Gutierrez moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:59 pm.**

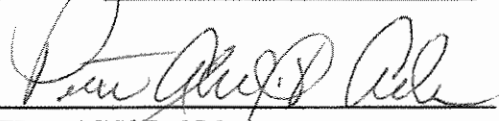
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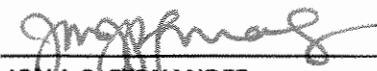
  
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