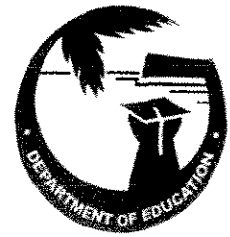




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**Dear Governor Calvo and Speaker Won Pat:**

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

*Senseramente,*

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Attachment

- E-Copies of GEB Meeting Packet

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## Guam Education Board REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING

Tuesday, April 21, 2015

6 PM

Okkodo High School, Cafeteria

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# Jodi Arias gets life term

*With no chance for release*

PHOENIX (AP) — A judge sentenced convicted murderer Jodi Arias to life in prison without the possibility of release on Monday, ending a nearly seven-year-old case that attracted worldwide attention with its sordid details.

The decision by Judge Sherry Stephens was largely a formality after a jury deadlocked last month on whether to give Arias the death penalty or life in prison. The mistrial removed the death penalty as an option.

The only decision left Monday was whether the judge would allow Arias, 34, to be eligible for release after 25 years. She declined to do that, meaning Arias will spend the rest of her life in prison.



Jodi Arias

Arias' 2013 trial became a media sensation and gained international attention as details of her tawdry relationship with on-again-off-again boyfriend Travis Alexander and the violent crime scene emerged while the courtroom saga was broadcast live.

Arias gave a rambling state-

ment in which she stood by her testimony and accused police and prosecutors of changing their story during the investigation.

"The most important thing I want to say is that I'm very sorry for the enormous pain I caused to the people who loved Travis," she said. "I'm truly disgusted and I'm repulsed with myself."

Arias killed Alexander in 2008 in what prosecutors said was retaliation for his desire to break off the relationship. She shot him and stabbed him nearly 30 times in his suburban Phoenix home before fleeing and driving to Utah to meet up with another romantic interest. She was arrested weeks later and initially denied any involvement.

# Former NFL running back suspected of killing cellmate

FRESNO, California (AP) — Former National Football League running back Lawrence Phillips is suspected of killing his cellmate in a Central California prison, officials said Monday.

Phillips' cellmate at Kern Valley State Prison was found lifeless early Saturday and later pronounced dead, prison spokesman Lt. Marshall Denning said in a statement.

Phillips, 39, was once one of the top U.S. college football players at Nebraska. He played for the St. Louis Rams in the NFL, until being released in 1997 for insubordination. He also played for the Miami Dolphins and San

Francisco 49ers.

Phillips is serving a sentence of more than 31 years. He was convicted of twice choking his girlfriend in 2005 in San Diego and later that year of driving his car into three teens after a pickup football game in Los Angeles. It wasn't clear if Phillips has an attorney.

He is suspected of killing Damon Soward, a 37-year-old inmate from San Bernardino County serving 82 years to life for a first-degree murder conviction.

Prison officials said they suspect a second inmate at the prison of killing his cellmate. It's unclear if the two are related.

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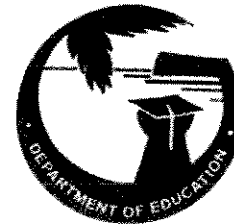
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**MINUTES**

**I. MEETING CALL TO ORDER**

Ms. Lourdes B. San Nicolas, Madam Vice Chair, called the meeting to order at 6:06 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 Alexis D.- Chair (tele-conference/Go to meeting)  
San Nicolas, Lourdes B. -Vice Chair  
Changualaf, Kenneth P.  
Concepcion, Charlene D. - (tele-conference/Go to meeting)  
Cruz, Dr. Jose Q.  
Gutierrez, Maria A.  
Tainatongo, Rosie R.  
Torres, Ryan F.

***Non-Voting Members:***

Matanane, Rudy M. - Yigo Mayor and MCOG education liaison  
Perez, Audrey (SSHS) – GFT Representative

***Absent:***

Benavente, Lourdes M. – Member  
Chiguina, Angel (OHS) - IBOGS Representative

The DOE legal counsel, Mr. Jesse N. Nasis was present for the meeting.

The Superintendent announced that there is a quorum. (By law, five voting members constitute a quorum. Eight (8) voting members were present for this meeting.)

The Superintendent introduced the new Legal Counsel, Mr. Jesse N. Nasis.

III. **Public Participation** - The Board presented certificates of recognition to the Girls' Softball Champions, John F. Kennedy High School; Boys' Basketball Champions, John F. Kennedy High School; two-time defending Boys' rugby undefeated Champions, George Washington High School; and four-time defending Girls' rugby Champions, George Washington High School.

IV. **Approval of Minutes**

1) Minutes of March 31, 2015 Regular Board Meeting

Mr. Chargualaf mentioned that at the last board meeting, he requested that a board work session be held to discuss and clarify items on the Superintendent's Report and Communication. He also pointed out that he did not see his comment in the minutes requesting the implementation plan for the State Strategic Plan. The Superintendent agreed that the March 31, 2015, minutes would be amended as requested. Also, further discussion was needed regarding the Superintendent's report.

Dr. Cruz concurred with Mr. Chargualaf that there has to be an inclusion of the State Strategic Plan implementation plan.

Ms. San Nicolas requested that on page 4, paragraph 3, it should read "precedence" instead of "presidence" and on page 3, paragraph 5, line 5, it should read "congresswoman" instead of "congresswomen."

Dr. Cruz asked whether he had the correct board meeting packet.

Ms. San Nicolas mentioned that an electronic version of the packet was emailed out to all board members.

Dr. Cruz moved subject to corrections, seconded by Mrs. Tainatongo, to approve the Minutes of March 31, 2015 Regular Board Meeting. The Board voted by voice and passed the motion to approve the minutes with a vote of 8 - 0.

V. **Receipt of Communication and Reports**

1) Superintendent's Report and Communication

In addition to his written report to the Board, the Superintendent provided the highlights of his report of April 2015.

- **SBA and ACT Aspire**- Testing has begun and will run into May. Schools have developed their own schedules within the April 6-May 22 testing window. This includes Standards Based Assessments in ELA and Math (1, 2, 11, and 12), Science and Social Studies (1-12) and ACT Aspire for ELA and Math (3-10).
- **GDOE 2015 Teacher of the Year Program**- On May 13, 2015, the Public Education Foundation will be hosting the Guam Teacher of the Year Gala from 6 to 9 p.m. at the Sheraton Hotel. Tickets are being sold for this event

as well as sponsorships. We look forward to honoring our high-performing teachers at this inaugural event.

- **GDOE 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Performance Arts Festival**- will be held next month. There will be a northern regional festival on Friday, May 22, 2015, 6-9 pm at JFK and a southern regional festival on Saturday, May 30, 2015, at Southern High School auditorium.
- **Bill 66-33**- Last week, the Superintendent delivered testimony before the Committee on Appropriations, Vice-Speaker BJ Cruz, Chairman, on Bill 66-33. Bill 66 appropriates \$1.9 million to ensure that we move ahead in piloting our pre-kindergarten program in SY 15-16 as we promised. The four schools that were selected include LBJ, JQ San Miguel, Finegayan and Marcial Sablan. We need to begin work to prepare classrooms and secure supplies and equipment for the start of this program.
- **GDOE headquarters** - will break ground in the very near future. In order to do this, Building B is being demolished to make way for the new building. The new headquarters will be a three-story building and consolidate all of our central functions. The Superintendent sought the Governor's support to make modifications to the existing agreement to allow for the construction of a new high school track and football field, the use of the existing warehouses (in exchange for building new warehouses), and the possible use of available land to move DPW bus services to a more central location from their Upper Tumon location.
- **Department of Interior**- A team from the Department of Interior is here to inspect our school facilities. Phase III of the DOI OIA Project will allocate \$5 million from Guam's compact impact funds over the next five years to address critical health and safety requirements in our schools. We are working with the Army Corps, a planning consultant, and our government partners to prepare for this important initiative.
- **Accreditation visits** for our nine schools this year are almost done. In November 2015, we are scheduled for a District accreditation. I will be attending WASC Accreditation Meetings in San Francisco early next week.
- **Transition planning** for high-risk is underway. Expect to provide documentation for review upon my return.
- **Audit** is underway for FY 14. Expect completion by mid-May.
- **USDA** -Sought USDA technical assistance related to our food service reimbursement rates. New food service procurement is out on the street, awaiting response.

Questions and concerns raised by the Board members (Dr. Cruz, Mrs. Gutierrez, Mrs. Tainatongo, Ms. San Nicolas, and Mr. Chargualaf), with regard to the Superintendent's report, include but not limited to the following:

Dr. Cruz mentioned that the part of the consolidated grant and our contract with Alvarez and Marsal (A & M) is the corrective action plan. He said he requested for a copy of the contract to be presented to the board. He would like a sense of where A & M is proceeding and what we are entering into. He wants a status update on fixed assets. The Superintendent responded that he will address with the board.

Mrs. Gutierrez is requesting for a copy of the transition plan to provide the Congresswoman Madeleine Bordallo. She mentioned at the informal dinner with the Governor on March 19, 2015, he mentioned that at his summit he met with the Representative for Department of Agriculture and the representative asked how he can help DOE get a better reimbursement. The Governor was told that there was a template given to the Administrator of Federal Programs since 2008. Mrs. Gutierrez is unaware of this template and is requesting to follow up with Federal Programs on the template that was given in 2008. The Superintendent responded that he will provide the transition plan, once finalized, and will forward documents relative to USDA.

Ms. San Nicolas requested to provide the Congresswoman all the necessary information needed.

Dr. Cruz asked what happened to the contract with UOG do assessment to help us in our Food and Nutrition light note response or request for increase. The Superintendent responded that the study was finalized and will be provided.

Mayor Matanane voiced his concern with regard to safety issues at D. L. Perez Elementary School and pipes sticking out from under the ground. The Superintendent responded that he would contact the school and maintenance.

Ms. San Nicolas talked about the District Accreditation. She asked for the board to be involved on voluntary basis. The Superintendent responded that she would be briefed as accreditation chair.

Ms. San Nicolas asked with regard to the accreditation whether the State Strategic Goals 2020 was going to be used as the framework. The Superintendent responded that district accreditation is aligned with the SSP Goals.

Ms. San Nicolas commended central office for its efforts on pursuing district accreditation.

Mr. Chargualaf questioned the timeframe for financial statements (attachment 5.1-8, last paragraph on page 52 and page 53). Deputy Supt. Taling Taitano answered that the report is from year to date. He asked, if the results take us to Code B or Code C because we have expended about 11% of the amount that has been provided to us. The Superintendent responded that the EFSC needed to review and advise.



Mr. Chargualaf asked about Attached 5-1-8 regarding textbooks. What textbooks are we procuring at this juncture? The Superintendent responded that the information would be provided.

Ms. San Nicolas asked Mr. Chargualaf to submit the rest of his questions to her and the Chairman and he will make the decision if those questions warrant a work session.

Mrs. Tainatongo also agreed to a work session proposed by Mr. Chargualaf to get more clarity to her questions.

Mr. Chargualaf asked for clarification on the ACT Aspire and SBA testing dates. The Superintendent responded that, this year schools determined when tests would be administered. There will be a review for next year.

Mr. Chargualaf mentioned that he noticed on pages 4, 5, and 55 on Objective 1-5, 1-6, and 5-2 that these were left blank with no responses to all 3 objectives. Does that mean that there's no current status, action or steps at this juncture now that there's specific objectives? The Superintendent responded that this be reviewed.

Ms. San Nicolas identifies areas in Superintendent's report that needed improvement and offer to share her details with the Superintendent after the meeting. The Superintendent agreed to work with the board to continue improving the Superintendent's report aligned with the State Strategic Plan.

Mrs. Tainatongo asked whether the evaluation instruments already existed. The Superintendent responded that indicated that the evaluation instruments are already in place.

Mrs. Tainatongo asked for the status on bussing/ late drop-offs. The Superintendent agreed to continue working with Department of Public Works to improve bussing service.

**Dr. Cruz moved and seconded by Mrs. Gutierrez, to accept the Superintendent's Report. No Objection. The Board voted by voice and approved the motion with a vote of 8 – 0.**

2) Head Start Program Director's Report

Mrs. Schroeder reported that they had a Work Session for Program Improvement Grant and Selection Criteria on Thursday, April 16, 2015. The Program is requesting approval to proceed with the Program Improvement Grant Application and approval of the Selection Criteria for next program year.

Mrs. Schroeder is requesting from the board to complete the governing body training needs assessment to assist with planning and presentation materials.



**Dr. Cruz moved and seconded by Mrs. Tainatongo, to approve the Program Improvement Grant and Selection Criteria for next program year and to accept the Head Start's Report. No Objection. The Board voted by voice and approved the motion with a vote of 8 – 0.**

**VI. Unfinished Business**

**1) Committee Assignments**

Mr. Chargualaf mentioned that the Chairman had asked him to be apart of the Safe and Healthy Schools. He requested to reconsider his position and is willing to assist.

Ms. San Nicolas responded that she will share that with the Chairman.

Mrs. Tainatongo reported that they're scheduling another work session for Thursday, April 23, 2015; 4 pm at the Supt's Conference Room. She'll inform the respective people to attend the work session.

**Mrs. Gutierrez moved and seconded by Mr. Torres, to approve the Committee Assignments. No Objection. The Board voted by voice and approved the motion with a vote of 8 – 0.**

**VII. New Business**

**1) NASBE Update and Approval of May and July Travel**

Mrs. Gutierrez announced that NASBE had twelve (12) grants. Out of four (4) applications that we submitted we were awarded three (3) grants. The total stipend award is \$14,000.00.

- School Leadership- \$6000.00
- Implementing College and Career Ready Standards-\$4000.00
- New Science Standards- \$4000.00

Mrs. Gutierrez reported that there's a meeting scheduled for May 29, 2015, St. Louis, Missouri on Leading a Standards-Based System: A Framework for Strategic Planning and Decision Making. Based on flyer, NASBE will underwrite all expenses for three participants.

Mrs. Gutierrez asked the Executive Director if the Guam team was eligible and he said, yes but he asked for compromise. They offered to come to Guam to help us out in areas that we need assistance. They asked if they pay half of the expense for the May 29 travel that we pay half as well when they decide to come to Guam.

Mrs. Gutierrez made a motion to approve three board members, Vice Chair Lourdes San Nicolas, Lourdes Benavente, and Kenneth Chargualaf to attend this meeting on May 29, 2015.

Dr. Cruz inquired about in-direct cost as well as Non-Appropriated Funds in the Superintendent's Office. The Superintendent agreed to review the request.

Ms. San Nicolas commented that when the Chairman returns, they'll meet with the Superintendent on further support for Professional Development for the board members.

**Mrs. Gutierrez moved and seconded by Mr. Tainatongo, to approve the NASBE Travel in May. No Objection. The Board voted by voice and approved the motion with a vote of 8 - 0.**

Mrs. Gutierrez reported that each year NASBE gives new state board members the opportunity to gather with experienced board members to the New State Board Member Institute on July 23-26, 2015 in Arlington, Virginia. The following members below are due to attend the conference:

1. Chairman Peter Ada
2. Vice Chair Lourdes San Nicolas
3. Ryan Torres
4. Rosie Tainatongo
5. Dr. Jose Cruz

Based on funding, we'll ask the Superintendent to look into the funding providing training for the members that need to attend this conference.

**Mrs. Gutierrez moved and seconded by Mr. Tainatongo, to approve the NASBE Travel in July. No Objection. The Board voted by voice and approved the motion with a vote of 8 - 0.**


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VIII. Executive Session -None

IX. Announcements and Adjournment- None

Mrs. Gutierrez moved, seconded by Mrs. Tainatongo to adjourn the meeting at 7:54 pm.

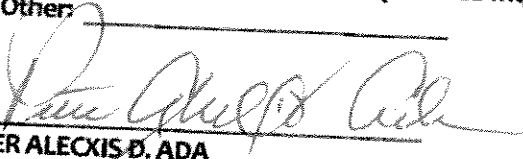
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Administrative Officer

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MINUTES OF April 21, 2015 REGULAR MEETING:

- ( ) Approved as submitted
- (X) Approved subject to corrections (Ref: GEB mtg: May 26, 2015 at JFKHS, Library)
- ( ) Other:



PETER ALECKIS D. ADA  
GEB Chairman

Date: 5/26/15



JON J. P. FERNANDEZ  
Executive Secretary/GDOE Superintendent

Date: 5/31/15