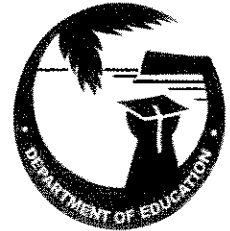




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**Dear Governor Calvo and Speaker Won Pat:**

***Håfa Adai!*** Pursuant to Public Law 31-233, Section 38, *Reporting Requirements for Boards and Commissions*, attached are electronic copies of the Guam Education Board's meeting agenda, approved minutes and other documents as discussed at the September 2, 2015 special meeting. The meeting was held at Superintendent's Conference Room, Building A., Tiyan.

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

*Senseramente,*

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Guam Education Board  
**SPECIAL MEETING**  
**Wednesday, September 2, 2015**  
**12 PM**

**Superintendent's Conference Room, Building A., Tiyan**

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- I. Meeting Call to Order**
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# TuneIn radio app starts \$8 tier with MLB, soccer, audiobooks

## China, US seek 'clean coal' agreement as industry struggles

**BILLINGS, Mont. (AP)** — U.S. and China officials took a major step Tuesday toward an agreement to advance "clean coal" technologies that purport to reduce the fuel's contribution to climate change — and could offer a potential lifeline for an industry that's seen its fortunes fade.

The agreement between the U.S. Department of Energy and China's National Energy Administration would allow the two nations to share their results as they refine technologies to capture the greenhouse gases produced from burning coal, said Christopher Smith, the Energy Department's assistant secretary for fossil energy.

### Misguided efforts?

Terms of the deal were finalized late Tuesday. Officials said it would be signed at a later date.

Smith spoke after he and other senior officials from President Barack Obama's administration met with representatives of China's National Energy Administration during an industry forum in Billings. The discussions took place near one of the largest coal reserves in the world — the Powder River Basin of Montana and Wyoming, where massive strip mines produce roughly 40 percent of the coal burned in the U.S.

**LOS ANGELES (AP)** — TuneIn, the app that gives users free access to thousands of live radio stations around the world, is launching an \$8-a-month premium subscription service that throws in ad-free listening, audiobooks and live play-by-play coverage of Major League Baseball and soccer from the Premier League and the Bundesliga.

The seemingly disparate offer caters to listeners who have varied tastes, says TuneIn CEO John Donham. That could be news in the morning, music at night, live sports whenever a good game is on, and a good book for long commutes.

"It turns out people want more than just one thing," he says.

The package is meant to emulate the kind of mix one gets from satellite radio giant Sirius XM: premium sports, talk shows and commercial-free music. "We're out to build a worldwide version of that,"

Donham says.

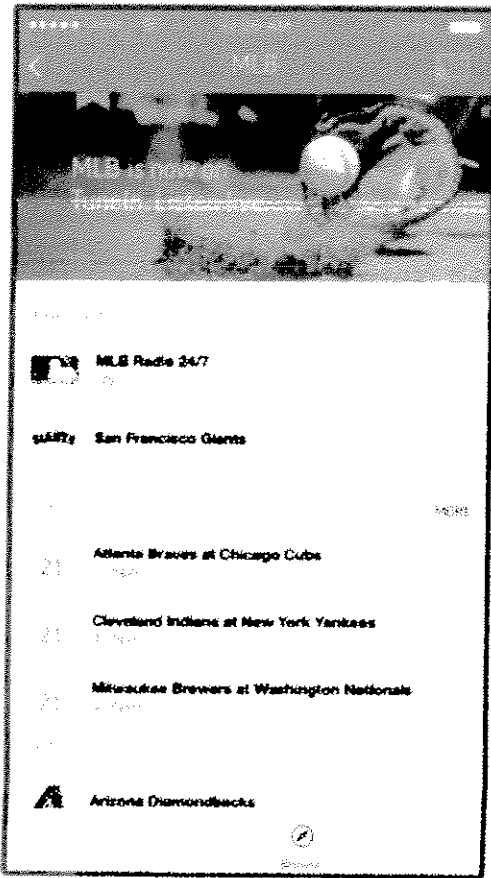
The offer launches in the U.S. on Tuesday, as well as in Canada, where it'll cost 9 Canadian dollars a month, and in the U.K., where it'll be 6 pounds a month.

The offer adds 40,000 audiobooks from HarperCollins, Penguin Random House and Scholastic to the few dozen public-domain books already in the app. New titles include Cheryl Strayed's "Wild," Sheryl Sandberg's "Lean In" and George R.R. Martin's "A Game of Thrones."

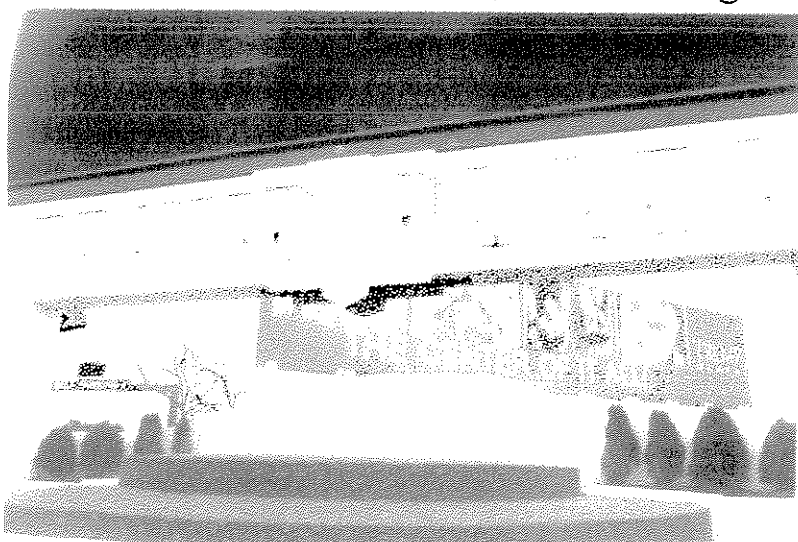
Ad-free listening is initially tailored to 600 Internet radio stations. Terrestrial radio stations in the U.S. and abroad are planned to be added in the next few months, Donham says.

When a DJ cuts to a commercial break, TuneIn knows how long an ad break will be, and for paying subscribers, it will insert a song of roughly the right length that would fit the station's genre. Plugging the ad break of terrestrial stations with a song is a technical problem that will take a little more time to work out, he says.

◀ This undated photo provided by TuneIn shows a mobile photo with a TuneIn app interface. AP



## Feds uphold ban on sports betting



This Jan. 14 photo shows the outline of letters that once spelled out "Trump Plaza" on the facade of the former casino in Atlantic City, N.J. The federal ban on sports betting in all but four states was upheld Tuesday, dealing a blow to New Jersey's latest effort to expand gambling options to help its struggling casino and racetrack industries. AP

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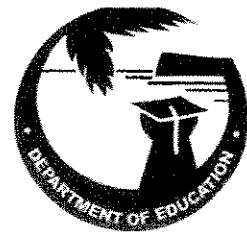
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## MINUTES

### I. MEETING CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Peter Alexis D. Ada, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 12:00 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  
San Nicolas, Lourdes B. – Vice Chair  
Chargualaf, Kenneth P.  
Concepcion, Charlene D. \*  
Cruz, Dr. Jose Q.  
Gutierrez, Maria A.  
Tainatongo, Rosie R.  
Torres, Ryan F.

*\*Arrived after roll call*

#### **Absent:**

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

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.)

### III. NEW BUSINESS

- 1) Receipt of Superintendent's Communication

The Chairman reported that he received a letter from the Superintendent in regards to his contract and employment. He requested to have a separate meeting with the committee of personnel and they will proceed from there.

A copy of the letter was provided to the Board Members at the meeting.

2) 2015 NASBE State Grant Application

Mrs. Tainatongo reported that they had a work session to discuss the stipend request that they are applying for from the National Association of State Boards of Education (NASBE). The first stipend they're applying for is "Leading a Standards-Based System: Alignment Policy to a Standards Stipend", for \$30,000 over two years; and the second stipend is for "State Initiatives to Improve School Climate and Discipline", for \$8,000 over six months.

Deputy Superintendent Joe Sanchez reported that this grant application is in response to a call from the National Association of State Boards of Education (NASBE). Their intent is so we can participate and pilot one of their policy tools that will allow States or Districts to review the current policy that they have with the intent of transitioning to a Standards Based Education System. NASBE knows that throughout the entire country a lot of effort that is put into transition to the common core and transition to a standard based system, a lot of states has noticed that a lot of their individual policies are not necessarily aligned towards that effort. This is requesting that Guam be included in this network of states so they can take part in the process, provide input into the tool and they can offer us technical assistance to align our policies towards the New Standard-Based System.

Mrs. Tainatongo wanted to add that this is to create a public education system that prepares students for College and Career Readiness Standards.

Deputy Superintendent Christopher Anderson reported that with second grant application of \$8,000, the primary focus is look at that data to try bring our stakeholders from Region X Equity center as well are post-secondary intuitions on Guam to come together and look at that data to develop a strategic plan to address and mitigate and reduce the number of the kids that are being represented in our data.

Mrs. Gutierrez mentioned that these are very competitive grants. With regard to the "State Initiatives to Improve School Climate and Discipline", they will be giving the grants to two (2) states and she hopes that well be considered. On the "Leading a Standards-Based System: Alignment Policy to a Standards Stipend", we will be competing with up to eight (8) states.

Ms. San Nicolas commented that the Board commends the work Deputies Joe Sanchez and Christopher Anderson. The proposals were well written and substantiated with strong data and she mentioned that she is very hopeful that NASBE take a look at the proposals and support it.

The Superintendent mentioned that they have been successful in their previous round of grants with NASBE. It's important to have additional resources to be able to use for our school system.

Mrs. Gutierrez mentioned for clarification on the grants. It reads that all state boards of education who are members of NASBE are eligible to apply for a stipend of up to \$30,000 over two years, not meaning we are going to get the whole \$30,000. We may get only \$10,000.

Mrs. Tainatongo moved, seconded by Ms. San Nicolas, to approve both grants. The Board voted by voice and approved the motion with a vote of 7 - 0.

IV. Executive Session -None

V. Adjournment

The Chairman moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:12 am.

MINUTES SUBMITTED BY:



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Administrative Officer

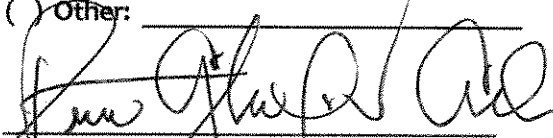
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MINUTES OF September 2, 2015 Special Meeting

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Approved subject to corrections (Ref: GEB Regular meeting September 24, 2015, at JFKHS)

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PETER ALECXIS D. ADA  
GEB Chairman

Date: 10/14/15



JON V. P. FERNANDEZ  
Executive Secretary/GDOE Superintendent

Date: 10/19/15