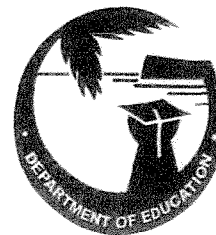




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June 3, 2016

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Honorable Judith T. Won Pat, Ed.D.  
Speaker  
Thirty-third Guam Legislature  
Hagåtña, Guam 96932

**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 March 30, 2016, special meeting. The meeting was held at Superintendent's Conf. Rm., Bldg. A., Tiyan.

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

*Senseramente,*

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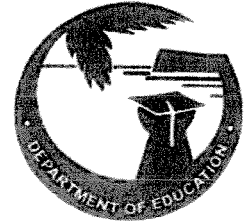
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Guam Education Board  
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**(RESCHEDULED)**  
**Wednesday, March 30, 2016**  
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# Afghan woman risks all to bring color to war-torn Kabul with her street art and feminist murals

By Deborah Vankin  
Los Angeles Times

LOS ANGELES - Armed with cans of spray paint, 28-year-old Afghan graffiti artist Shamsia Hassani ventures into the streets of Kabul to create feminist murals on the walls of abandoned, bombed-out buildings.

She has to work fast - only 15 to 20 minutes before she flees. Some works are left incomplete. But for a woman like Hassani, that's what it takes when art is weapon of mass expression.

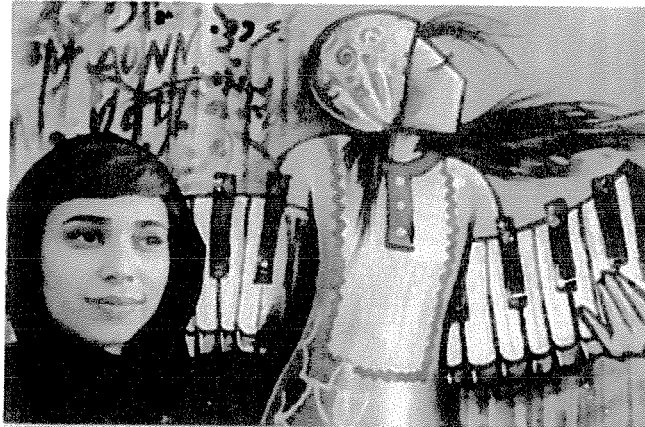
Hassani's art shows women in traditional clothing with musical instruments. In subtle ways, they defy gender roles: These women are not playing the instruments to entertain someone else but, rather, wielding them on their own terms.

"It's to show they have a voice," Hassani says.

Hassani, who teaches art at Kabul University, is nearing the end of a two-month residency at the Hammer Museum in Los Angeles. She was invited by curator Ali Subotnick, who traveled to Afghanistan in 2014 for a carpet weaving project and was impressed by Hassani's work.

"The fact that she's a woman going into the streets to paint, where it's dangerous just to walk alone outdoors in Kabul - she's so fierce and independent and strong," Subotnick says. "She's giving women in Afghanistan a voice."

Hassani says the residency has been a welcome break from the streets of Kabul, where suicide bombings seem



**MURALS:** Artist Shamsia Hassani poses for a portrait on March 1 in front of her mural in Los Angeles. Hassani is an Afghani street artist who paints murals in Kabul. She's in L.A. this month for a Hammer Museum residency and recently painted a West Adams mural. Françoise Orr/Los Angeles Times

### Check out the art!

Shamsia Hassani is online at:

Instagram: [bit.ly/1S60nDY](https://bit.ly/1S60nDY)

Facebook: [on.fb.me/1dzVeVf](https://on.fb.me/1dzVeVf)

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routine, like traffic jams in L.A., and every mural mission brings palpable

dangers from "closed minded people who don't like art."

"Because I'm a girl, even if I don't do art, if I just walk in the street, I will hear a lot of words," Hassani says from the Westwood apartment that the Hammer has provided. "And if I do art, then they will come to harass me."

Despite the dangers, Hassani says her mission is to beautify the city with color amid the darkness of war and to expose people in Kabul to contemporary art, specifically graffiti as a form of social and political expression. In a place where art galleries are scarce, she does what she can to bring the gallery to the streets.

## Gawker, publisher slapped with punitive damages over Hulk Hogan sex tape

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. (Reuters) - A Florida jury awarded punitive damages totaling \$25 million on Monday in a second blow to Gawker, coming on top of the \$175 million the online news outlet must pay for posting a sex tape of the former professional wrestler Hulk Hogan.

The six-person jury assessed Gawker \$15 million in punitive damages. The media company's publisher and CEO, Nick Denton, was slapped with an additional \$10 million.

"I think we made history today, because I think we protected a lot of people today who may be going through what I went through," Hogan told reporters Monday.

Hogan, whose legal name is Terry Bollea, sued the website for posting a video clip in 2012 featuring him having sex with the wife of his then-best friend, the radio shock jock Bubba the Love Sponge Clem. The editor responsible for the post, A.J. Daulerio, was assessed \$100,000 in punitive damages.

On Friday, after a two-week trial in St. Petersburg, near Hogan's home, the jury awarded the longtime World Wrestling Entertainment star \$60 million for emotional distress and \$55 million for economic damages.



Terry Bollea

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**Board of Commissioners Meeting**  
10:00 A.M., Wednesday, March 30, 2016  
BHURA Main Office  
1st Floor Conference Room  
117 Blen Yonida Avenue, Sinajana

**Agenda**

- I. ROLL CALL
- II. APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS BOARD MINUTES - March 16, 2016
- III. CORRESPONDENCE AND REPORTS
- IV. OLD BUSINESS
- V. NEW BUSINESS
- VI. GENERAL DISCUSSION/ANNOUNCEMENT
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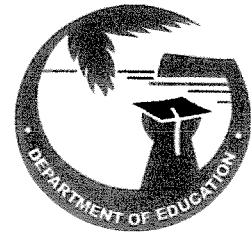
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### MINUTES

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#### **I. MEETING CALL TO ORDER**

Ms. Lourdes B. San Nicolas, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 6:15 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:***

San Nicolas, Lourdes B. - Chairwoman  
Tainatongo, Rosie R. - Vice-Chair  
Ada, Peter Alecxis D.  
Chargualaf, Kenneth P.  
Cruz, Dr. Jose Q.  
Gutierrez, Maria A.  
Torres, Ryan F.

***Non-Voting Members:***

Samelo, Ermin (SHS) - IBOGS Representative\*  
Perez, Audrey (SSHS) - GFT Representative

*\*Arrived after roll call*

***Absent:***

Benavente, Lourdes M. - Member  
Concepcion, Charlene D. - Member (Military Leave-excused)  
Matanane, Rudy M. - Yigo Mayor and MCOG education liaison

The GDOE legal counsel, Jesse Nasis, was present for the meeting.

The Superintendent announced that there is a quorum. (*By law, five voting members constitute a quorum. Seven (7) voting members were present for this meeting.*)

#### **III. New Business**

- 1) School Year 2015-2016 Calendar

Superintendent Fernandez reported that the recommendation was made in light of the fact that this is a unique year for the department in supporting FestPac and provide housing accommodations in eight of GDOE schools to hold 3,000 delegates. He mentioned that, over the course of the 12 months, the Board has had to make decisions with regard to the school year calendar. He further mentioned that, last summer, the Board adjusted the school calendar to end the school year on May 20. In terms of classes for the students on May 20 and duty days for all teachers extended until June 2. Through the course of working with the FestPac planning committee, they have been discussing what is needed to make a successful transition for those eight FestPac schools. In addition, he mentioned that they heard from the Guam Federation of Teachers (GFT) on behalf of their members about the adjustment to the school calendar that they recommended. The department-conducted surveys of parents, meetings with the administrators, conducted an informal survey of students to try to gather as much information as possible in order to reach a reasonable and fair resolution of the calendar to do several things: Ensure that the department meets the instructional mandates that are required for students and ensure the department does as much as possible to make FestPac a success for our island.

Furthermore, Superintendent Fernandez mentioned that a copy of an updated recommendation, resolution, and calendar was given at the work session that was held at 5 pm. He further mentioned that the recommendation that he made in light of all the recommendation received was to end classes for all students on May 17, 2016 and to release teachers on May 23, 2016, which would be a teacher workday. After further discussion, there was a request to release teachers even earlier than the proposed date to May 17, May 18, or May 20 as a teacher workday and full consideration of this request and account for a fair solution to all the input. Superintendent Fernandez decided to update his recommendation to release all students from classes on May 17, 2016, at all schools and have teachers released on May 20, 2016.

Vice Chair Tainatongo moved to accept the recommendation of the Superintendent to end classes on for all GDOE students on May 17 and release teachers on May 20.

Dr. Cruz asked to make the official updates as recommended to the resolution before the board.

Chairwoman San Nicolas pointed out that she will assure this body that she will not sign-off any documents until such time that the amendment version on both the calendar and resolution are properly noted as of tonight's recommendation by the Superintendent.

Mrs. Gutierrez mentioned that she understands where Dr. Cruz's is coming from and she requested for a ten-minute break for the Superintendent to make corrections.

Mr. Chargualaf mentioned that as a committed professional he strongly believed that we have a moral imperative and a professional duty to the students to provide the maximum opportunity to be in school as many days as allowed by law. He further mentioned that if this were the desire of the parents and the stakeholders, he would yield to their wisdom.

Chairwoman pointed out that the Superintendent is ensuring this body that he is not violating any laws as far as providing instruction to the students.

Dr. Cruz requested the Legal Counsel to articulate what Chairwoman San Nicolas mentioned.

Superintendent Fernandez responded that he'd consult with the Legal Counsel during the ten-minute break.

Audrey Perez, GFT representative asked if all schools are ending on May 17, 2016, and teachers are being released on May 20, 2016, what will the teachers be doing between the 17<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> of May being that grades will be done and clearances should be finished. Superintendent Fernandez responded that it's an opportunity to clear if the grades are not done on the 1<sup>st</sup> day it'll be done on the 2<sup>nd</sup> day and we'll work with the administrators to address those duties and responsibilities.

***The Board took a break at 6:14 pm. Regular session resumed at 6:24 p.m.***

Chairwoman asked Superintendent Fernandez to give a brief overview on the changes that were made.

Superintendent Fernandez reviewed the changes with the Board. He began with changes made to the resolution on page 2, line 8, to read " the GEB hereby establishes May 20, 2016, as the last duty day for all teachers." He further mentioned that the on page 2 of the school calendar for the end, it now reads May 17, 2016, end of 4<sup>th</sup> quarter/last day of classes, Southern High School end of 8<sup>th</sup> quarter/4<sup>th</sup> Semester, May 18-20, 2016 reads Teacher Work Days, and deleted was May 23, 2016. The summary calculation adjusted to reflect that change to read 170 school days, 4 teacher workdays instead of the prior to because of the 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> are now added as work days, 2 parent teacher conferences days, 2 staff development days for 178 total work days.

**Vice Chair Tainatongo moved, seconded by Mrs. Gutierrez, to end classes for all GDOE students on May 17, 2016 and to release teachers on May 20, 2016 (teacher workday). The Board voted 7-0 in favor of the motion (Accept: P. Ada, K. Chargualaf, Dr. Cruz, M. Gutierrez, Chairwoman San Nicolas, Vice Chair Tainatongo, and R. Torres.)**

IV. Executive Session-None

V. Adjournment

Mrs. Gutierrez moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:28 pm.

MINUTES SUBMITTED BY:



LEILANI M. B. CRUZ  
Administrative Officer

Date: 5/12/16

MINUTES OF March 30, 2016 SPECIAL MEETING:

( X ) Approved as submitted (Ref: GEB Reg. mtg. April 26, 2016, at Merizo Elementary School )

( ) Approved subject to corrections

( ) Other: \_\_\_\_\_

LOURDES B. SAN NICOLAS  
GEB Chairwoman

Date: 5/16/2016

JON J. P. FERNANDEZ  
Executive Secretary/GDOE Superintendent

Date: 5/14/16