

# Goldendale School Board Operating Protocols

## Document in Progress

### Communication:

Goal: All children will have the support of the community through ongoing communication and connection.

- Transparency with community and a high functioning collaborative team

### Board/Board Communication

- We will take time for clarity of content and emotion by asking questions
- We will ask questions in the meeting and avoid taking it home with us
- We will forward communication from community members to the Board Chair and Superintendent
  - The board or superintendent will respond and if needed, alert the rest of the board
- We will express our opinions and positions on issues honestly and openly while being sensitive to others' opinions.

### Board/Superintendent Communication

- We will communicate with the superintendent in advance of public meetings when we have questions or concerns

### Board/Community Communication

- We will communicate what's going well and the needs of our district with our community.
- We will listen with openness to successes and needs expressed by our community, parents, staff, and students
- We will be accessible to our community
- We will provide ongoing information to our community regarding boardsmanship

### Board acts as a body

- Individual board members do not have authority. Only the board as a whole has authority. We agree that an individual board member will not take unilateral action. We agree that once a vote is taken and the board has made a decision that we will stand by that decision. The board president will communicate positions of the board on controversial issues.

## Board Governs

Successful organizations are the result of strong and effective leadership. In order for members of our team to be active players, they must know their roles.

<b>SCHOOL BOARD – GOVERNS</b> (Guides-Directs)	<b>SUPERINTENDENT-MANAGES</b> (Administers-Operates)
Decides <b>What</b>	Decides <b>How</b>
<b>Requests</b> Information	<b>Seeks and Provides</b> Information
Considers <b>Issues</b>	Provides <b>Recommendations</b>
<b>Creates, Reviews, Adopts</b> Policy	<b>Recommends, Implements</b> Policy
<b>Approves &amp; Reviews</b> Plans	<b>Implements</b> Plans
<b>Monitors</b> Progress	<b>Reports</b> Progress
<b>Contracts</b> with Personnel	<b>Supervises &amp; Evaluates</b> Personnel
<b>Approves &amp; Reviews</b> Budget	<b>Formulates</b> Budget
<b>Represents</b> Public Interests	<b>Acts in</b> Public Interest

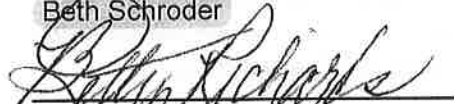
## Board Meetings

- We will respond verbally when a vote is taken.
- We will engage fully at meetings.
- We will come to meetings prepared having reviewed materials in advance.
- We will ask questions, share our viewpoints and be open to other ideas.
- We will alert the superintendent and/or board chair of concerns and questions prior to bringing them up at a public meeting – No Surprises!

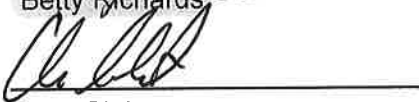
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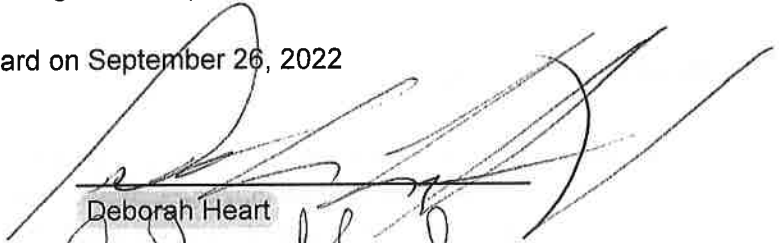
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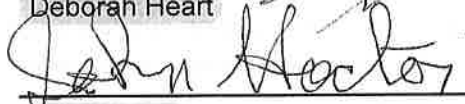
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