

GOLDENDALE SCHOOL DISTRICT No. 404
BOARD WORKSESSION MINUTES
MAY 6, 2014 – 5:00 p.m.

D-2b

Board Members Present: John Hctor, John Miller, Deborah Heart, Virginia Amidon and Mark Heid, Superintendent. Carl Conroy was absent.

Others Present: None.

Worksession Discussion: Discussion was held regarding upcoming personnel changes.

Discussion was held about the loss of the Flexibility Waiver for the State of Washington. This loss came as result of not tying student test scores to teacher evaluations, as the Federal standards require. The result of this will make most public school districts appear as “failing” school districts and require that a notice be sent home to parents at the beginning of the next school year to inform the households of this. WSSDA has initiated a resolution urging Congress to reauthorize the Elementary and Secondary Education Act to state that this current law contains mandates and requirements that are ineffective and costly to local school districts.

The school bus procedures at the primary school were discussed. Parents are still parking on the opposite side of the street from the school which is creating a hazardous situation for our students. Children will walk over in front of school buses creating an unacceptable safety hazard. Mr. Heid will talk with the police to patrol this area during the start and end of the school day.

The new District Safety Plan draft and lockdown procedures were reviewed. This plan was created by Mr. Barta, the district’s Safety Officer. The plan will be finalized soon.

Mr. Miller will announce scholarships at the high school graduation ceremony; Mr. Conroy will hand out diplomas.

Adjournment: There being no further discussion, Ms. Heart adjourned the meeting at 6:05 p.m.

Board Chair

Secretary to the Board

Recording Secretary