



## **GOLDENDALE SCHOOL DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD WORKSESSION**

**Tuesday, September 5, 2017  
6:30 p.m. – Worksession, District Office**

( ) John Hctor, Board Chair 2017	( ) John Westerman, High School Principal
( ) Virginia Amidon, Board Vice Chair 2017	( ) Angie Hedges, High School Vice-Principal
( ) Alex Gorrod, Board Member 2017	( ) Dave Barta, Middle School Principal
( ) Deborah Heart, Board Member 2019	( ) Kriston Ferrell, Primary School Principal
( ) Beth Schroder, Board Member 2019	( ) Dean Schlenker, Business Manager
( ) Mark Heid, Superintendent	( ) Lori Hackbarth, Executive Assistant

### **AGENDA**

1. Presentation: Suicide Prevention – Dr. Mary Schroeder, HS Counselor
2. WSSDA School Board Assessment- 5 Areas to Focus on for 1718
3. Invitation to Legislators
4. Legislative Issues
5. Personnel Update
6. Other

**GOLDENDALE SCHOOL DISTRICT No. 404**  
**BOARD WORKSESSION MINUTES**  
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Board Members Present: John Hctor, Deborah Heart, Alex Gorrod, Virginia Amidon, Beth Schroder and Mark Heid, Superintendent. Others Present: Lori Hackbarth-Executive Assistant, Dean Schlenker-Business Manager and Dr. Mary Schroeder-HS Counselor.

Worksession Discussion: Dr. Schroeder presented information regarding the Healthy Youth Survey that was completed by students in grades 9-12 last year. The survey asked for responses to questions regarding substance use, mental health, safety and suicide. The results have been shared with high school staff and administration so they can reflect and plan accordingly to meet the needs of our students. Dr. Schroeder is also involved in suicide prevention team that serves Klickitat County.

Mr. Heid shared information from the Washington’s Paramount Duty group that plans to oversee the education funding plan enacted by our state legislators. This group has pointed out the problems with this legislative action and has filed briefs to contest its constitutionality, its problems and to urge the Court to order the legislature to go back and “fully and amply” fund our public schools. They ask for urgent contributions to help with this endeavor. Mr. Heid has invited all our legislative representatives to visit our school district and have discussions with our staff and school board. He and Mr. Schlenker both have had conversations with Sen. King and Rep. Johnson already about what their levy swap actions will do to our school funding.

Mr. Heid briefed the members on recent student and staffing situations. The 6<sup>th</sup> grade teacher vacancy is still unfilled and Mr. Barta-MS Principal has determined that a one-year temporary hire for this position is warranted; Mr. Heid approved this action through the local GEA association.

Discussion regarding the WSSDA Board Self-Assessment results took place. It was determined that several items in the report warranted further discussion and planning; at the next worksession, the board will continue this project on topics of Communication, new School Board Member Orientation, Long Term Planning and Community Engagement.

Adjournment: There being no further discussion, the work session was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

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Board Chair

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Secretary to the Board

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Recording Secretary