

GOLDENDALE SCHOOL DISTRICT No. 404
BOARD WORKSESSION MINUTES
July 5, 2018 – 6:30 p.m.

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Board Members Present: John Hoctor, Deborah Heart, Beth Schroder, Betty Richards, Darren Hoffman and Mark Heid, Superintendent. Others Present: Lori Hackbarth-Executive Assistant, Dean Schlenker-Business Manager.

Worksession Discussion: Mr. Schlenker shared detailed information on the 2018-2019 Budget that reflects expenditures of \$14,434,178: ASB Fund \$311,031; Debt Service Fund: \$43,500; Capital Project Fund: \$1,000,000 and Transportation Vehicle Fund: \$220,000. Transferring \$500,000 from prior year's levy allocation to the Capital Projects Fund and \$43,500 to the debt service Fund. The budget has been posted on the school district website. The important change will be the impact of the losses in our local levy since it has been capped by Legislative action at \$1.50 per thousand of assessed valuation. The levy loss will be \$1,074,431 for 2019 and another \$122,191 for 2020. The district will remain solvent if we plan now for these losses. The district will trim non-employee related costs as much as possible and utilize savings from employee attrition for 2018-2019. Without making additional budget cuts, future fund balance projections are: \$1,149,820 for 2018-19, \$387,929 for 2019-20 and a negative balance of (\$615,041) for 2020-21. One administrative and one classified position have already been eliminated for 2018-19. The District will need to reduce levy line items from \$2.7 million down to \$1.5 million to balance future budgets. Certified and Classified salary negotiations have not been resolved so this will also have an impact on our budget.

Mr. Heid reported that the math curriculum proposal has been updated with some reductions in overall cost. The middle and high school have chosen to delete and delay portions of the math curriculum. Even with these reductions the total cost of the adoption will be approximately \$220,000 which will be paid for over two budget cycles this year and next. The high cost of this curriculum may change the adoption cycle for future adoptions. The high school would like to consider a foreign language adoption if possible.

There was discussion on the possibility of adding boys' soccer to the high school athletic program offerings. There was consensus to wait one year and analyze all sports for adequate participation levels this next school year and then revisit all athletic program offerings.

There was discussion to move worksessions to the 2nd Monday of each month and move the regular board meeting to the 4th Monday of each month, beginning in September 2018. Mr. Schlenker explained that by doing so, the timing of receiving financial information for reporting purposes will be improved and it will enable him to take full advantage of investing school funds. The Board will consider date changes at the next regular school board meeting.

There was discussion held regarding updating the school district policy and procedure manual. Mr. Heid will research services from the WSSDA organization for update services only.

Adjournment: There being no further discussion, the work session was adjourned at 8:27 p.m.

Board Chair

Secretary to the Board

Recording Secretary