

**GOLDENDALE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 404
BOARD AGENDA
MARCH 21, 2016 – MONDAY**

SCHOOL BOARD MEETING – 7:00 PM

Location: Goldendale Primary School Library, 820 S. Schuster, Goldendale

() 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 2019	() Dave Barta, Middle School Principal
() Deborah Heart, Board Member 2019	() Kriston Ferrell, Primary School Principal
() Beth Schroder, Board Member 2019	() Kay Hill, Business Manager
() Mark Heid, Superintendent	() Lori Hackbarth, Executive Assistant

Agenda Items	Enclosures and Remarks
<p>A. Call to Order The regular Board Meeting will be called to order at 7:00 PM in the Goldendale Primary School Library, Goldendale WA.</p>	
<p>B. Flag Salute</p>	
<p>C. Introduction of Visitors-Public Questions and Comments Persons interested in sharing views with the Board about any items are encouraged to sign in with the Board Secretary at the beginning of the meeting. An opportunity to comment will be provided as the item is discussed. Due to legal repercussions, persons sharing negative views may not name individual students, district employees or volunteers. Please turn off cell phones.</p> <p>1. Reading Curriculum Presentation – Primary School Staff</p>	C-1
<p>D. Approval of Agenda and Minutes</p> <p>1. Agenda - Additions and/or Deletions</p> <p>2. Minutes</p> <p> a. February 16, 2016-Regular Board Meeting and Worksession</p> <p> b. February 26, 2016-Board Special Meeting, Bond</p> <p> c. March 7, 2016-Board Worksession</p>	D-2a D-2b D-2c
<p>E. Business Managers’ Report</p> <p>1. Financial Report - Kay Hill</p> <p>2. Bills</p>	E-1 Handout
<p>F. Information and Discussion</p>	
<p>G. Principal/Board Member Comments and Reports</p> <p>1. Principal Comments</p> <p>2. Board Comments</p> <p>3. WSSDA/Legislative Report</p>	

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<p>H. Report of the Superintendent</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Enrollment Update 2. Career Fair Activities 	<p>H-1</p>
<p>I. Action Items</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Resignations <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Jennifer Lewis, HS Assistant Tennis Coach b. Kathy Krall, HS Wrestling Cheer Coach c. Kristi Struck Krall, PS Para Bus Duty .45 minutes/day 2. Hiring <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Anna DeMott, PS Paraeducator-Motor Skills b. Kristi Struck Krall, PS Paraeducator-Bus Duties 1.25 hrs/day c. Stuart DesRoches, HS Assistant Track Coach d. Tiffany Ferch, HS Assistant Tennis Coach 3. Reading Curriculum Adoption, Primary School 	<p>I-1a I-1b I-1c</p>
<p>J. Next Meeting Dates</p> <p>April 11, 2016-Monday, Board Worksession, 6:30 p.m.-District Office April 18, 2016-Monday, Regular Board Meeting, 7:00 p.m.-GPS Library</p>	

GOLDENDALE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 404
MINUTES – MARCH 21, 2016
REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING – 7:00 P.M.

D-2a

REGULAR BOARD MEETING:

- Board Members Present: Deborah Heart, John Hoctor, Alex Gorrod, Beth Schroder, Virginia Amidon and Mark Heid, Superintendent.
- Others Present: Kay Hill, Lori Hackbarth, John Westerman, Angie Hedges, Dave Barta, Laura Thayer, Laura Lean, Tamara Johnson and Morgan Gamble.
- Call to Order: Mr. Hoctor, Board Chair called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. He welcomed guests and led the flag salute.
- Presentations: Laura Lean provided information on a reading curriculum that the primary school staff recommends for adoption. The Wonders Pre-Kindergarten, Wonders Kindergarten-4th grade and the Wonder Intervention Kindergarten-4th grade curriculum was recommended for adoption. Staff had the opportunity to visit two school districts who have this curriculum already and teachers felt that it was best to align with state standards. The publishing company will provide up to three trainings for staff. Although the curriculum is rigorous, interventions for students at the lowest levels will remain in place that include HOSTS Reading assistance, daily guided reading and extra assistance. Mr. Heid noted that the primary school hasn't adopted a new reading curriculum at the elementary for seven years and the Wonders series provides continuity with language arts as well as reading.
- Agenda Changes: None.
- Approval of Minutes: Mrs. Amidon moved to approve the minutes of February 16, February 26 and March 7, 2016 as presented. Mr. Gorrod seconded. Motion carried.
- Financial Report: Kay Hill, Business Manager provided Information on the most recent financial report as follows:
General Fund balance is \$1,218,686.81
Capital Projects Fund balance is \$8,677.84
Debt Service Fund balance is \$181.33
ASB Fund balance is \$232,412.55
Transportation Vehicle Fund balance is \$103,754.36
Knosher Scholarship Fund balance is \$30,167.91
Johnson Scholarship Fund balance is \$50,522.93
- Payroll: Payroll for February 2016 was \$736,949.91. Warrant No's. were 100564-100602.
- Payment of Bills: Mrs. Schroeder moved to pay the March 2016 General Fund bills for \$125,045.39 (Warrant No. 100603-100704) and the March 2016 ASB bills for \$32,066.03 (Warrant No's. 9627-9656). Mrs. Amidon seconded. Motion carried.
- Principal Reports: Mr. Westerman, Principal at Goldendale High School announced that Mr. Merfeld, GHS Industrial Arts and Robotics Teacher was awarded the Program of the Year award from the Washington Industrial Technology Educator Association at its state conference on March 11, 2016. Mr. Westerman and Tamara Johnson attended a recent training on teacher mentorship and it appears that many school districts are now offering a \$5,000 bonus for teachers signing a three-year teaching contract; he mentioned that many efforts are made to beginning teachers and substitute teachers to keep them connected to the community in order to retain them. Spring sports are well underway with a very busy weekend where tennis, baseball, softball, track and AAU teams had events going on last Saturday. The agriculture department is hosting two events for promote non-traditional careers to our students; the first event will feature Women in Welding on Wednesday, March 23rd from 6:00-7:30 p.m. in the ag shop; the second event will be

Guys in Floral on Wednesday March 30th from 5:45-7:00 p.m. where twenty-five male agriculture students will learn how to construct a floral arrangement, talk about careers in the floral industry and learn about plant biology and horticulture.

Mr. Barta, Principal at Goldendale Middle School reported that GMS Mathletes took third place out of twenty-six teams at a recent competition and Cameron Mains was the second place mathlete in the individual round and 3rd place overall in the event. The PTA held a St. Patty's Day Bingo event and earned \$595 that will go toward supplementing teachers' classroom budgets for needed items. Mr. Barta thanked the many classified staff that are essential to successful school operations and they were honored with a special luncheon event last week.

Ms. Hedges, Vice-Principal at Goldendale High School/Assessment Director reported that she has been tweaking the accountability software for reporting purposes.

Board Comments:

Mr. Gorrod noted that he attended the WSSDA Regional Meeting in Sunnyside to gather ideas, he served as a judge for the recent middle school science fair competition, he thanked everyone for prayers during a recent surgery, and he thanked all the classified staff who are critical to the success of our schools. Mrs. Schroder thanked the teachers who go above and beyond the scope of the school day to help our students; she served as a judge for FFA competition in February where our middle school teams did well. Ms. Heart noted that the WSSDA Small Schools Task Force has been renamed to the Small Schools Advisory Committee on which she is a member; she attended a recent Small School Advisory Committee Conference where she heard several nice comments about Mr. Heid's presentation at the conference; she visited with a school district that attempted to pass a bond seventeen times before it passed. Mr. Hoctor encouraged staff to keep up the work this school year.

WSSDA/Leg. Report:

Ms. Heart reported that the Legislative Special Session has accomplished nothing so far for public schools regarding the McCleary decision; another task force was developed to continue to study the problem of adequately funding public schools. Mr. Heid noted that the Legislative may ease up retirement restrictions so that teacher retirees can serve as substitute teachers.

Superintendent's Report:

Mr. Heid reported that enrollment fell to 895fte; the budget is based on enrollment at 870fte.

Mr. Heid reported that the recent recruitment efforts at the career fairs have yielded very little success so far; he will attend another Educator Career Fair in Tacoma and Montana soon. We have state auditors in district to conduct their annual audit. Parent conferences are next week with spring break to follow; teachers are very busy to prepare report cards for conferences. After the return from spring break, assessment season is upon us. More curriculum expenditures are scheduled over the next three years and it will be budgeted. Mr. Heid noted how much the community benefited from hosting so many spring activities last weekend; many parents and athletes filled restaurants and stores so everyone in the community benefits from the athletics activities, and it was good to see so many children enjoyed their events.

The Board will need to determine when to run a bond again to renovate the high school; August is not a good time as most staff are gone for summer break. Mr. Heid suggested that more community people are needed to help promote the bond if we are to obtain a 60% yes vote. He noted that the bond project costs have been reviewed by a second architect firm and found that the costs are quite conservative. If any projects are removed from the list that have state matching money to them, it will drive up the costs to local voters. If our district can get our free and reduced meal percentage up to 70%, it could increase the total of state matching money. Mr. Gamble added that many people feel there are projects not needed, even if the district loses state matching funds.

Mr. Heid noted that a training workshop was requested by the Board. A three hour workshop was determined for an evening training and he will contact WSSDA to schedule. Centerville,

Roosevelt, Klickitat and Lyle School Districts have been invited to this training. A date will be determined later.

ACTION ITEMS:

Resignations:

Mr. Gorrod moved to accept the resignations of Jennifer Lewis-HS Assistant Tennis Coach, Kathy Krall-HS Wrestling Cheer Coach and Kristi Struck Krall- part of her PS Paraeducator Bus Duty. Mrs. Amidon seconded. Motion carried.

Hiring:

Ms. Heart moved to accept the hiring of Anna DeMott-PS Motor Skills Paraeducator, Kristi Struck Krall-PS Paraeducator Bus Duty, Stuart DesRoches-HS Assistant Track Coach and Tiffany Ferch-HS Assistant Tennis Coach. Mrs. Amidon seconded. Motion carried.

Curriculum Adoption:

Ms. Heart moved to approve the adoption of the Wonders Pre-Kindergarten Reading Curriculum at \$13,300 (approximately), the Wonders Kindergarten-4th Grade Reading Curriculum at \$82,591.57 and the Wonders Intervention Kindergarten-4th Grade Reading Curriculum at \$7,525.46. Mrs. Schroeder seconded. Motion carried.

OTHER BUSINESS:

None.

NEXT MEETING DATES:

April 11, 2016-Monday, Board Worksession, 6:30 p.m.-District Office.

April 18, 2016- Monday: Regular Board Meeting, 7:00 p.m.-PS Library

ADJOURNMENT:

Mr. Hoctor announced that there being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Board Chair

Secretary to the Board

Recording Secretary