

**GOLDENDALE SCHOOL DISTRICT No. 404**  
**BOARD WORKSESSION MINUTES**  
**MAY 23, 2016 – 5:30 p.m.**

Board Members Present: John Hoctor, Deborah Heart, Virginia Amidon, Alex Gorrod, Beth Schroder and Mark Heid, Superintendent.

Others Present: Kay Hill-Business Manager, Lori Hackbarth-Executive Assistant and Chris Hill-Activities Director.

Executive Meeting Called: Mr. Hoctor, Board Chair welcomed guests to the worksession. He announced that under RCW 42.30.110, the Board of Directors will adjourn to an Executive Session to hear a complaint against a public employee. The Board adjourned for fifteen minutes to begin with and as an extension of time was needed, the Board Secretary announced that there was an extension of time needed for the Executive Session at fifteen minutes intervals. Ms. Heart moved to an Executive Meeting at 5:34 p.m. Mr. Gorrod seconded. The motion carried. Guests were given the opportunity to speak with the School Board of Directors in Executive Session. Ms. Heart moved to return to an open School Board Worksession at 8:14 p.m. Mrs. Schroder seconded. Motion carried.

Worksession Discussion: Mr. Heid reviewed the GSD Capitol Improvement Bond projects that had not passed earlier. Each project was discussed to either keep, delete or research further from the original list.

The projects to keep are:

| School                       | Project  | Cost           |
|------------------------------|--|----------------|
| High School                  | HS HVAC improvements - Option B                            | \$ 3,584,732   |
| High School                  | HS Modernize gym locker rooms                              | \$ 906,440     |
| High School                  | HS Modernize library (3,000sf) - Option B                  | \$ 693,000     |
| High School                  | HS Upgrade wiring technology (power)                       | \$ 432,480     |
| High School                  | HS Renovate Science Laboratory                             | \$ 365,500     |
| High School                  | HS Renovate existing restrooms for ADA compliant           | \$ 326,400     |
| High School                  | HS Install fire sprinkler system                           | \$ 330,173     |
| High School                  | HS Upgrade internet infrastructure-hard wired ports (data) | \$ 291,328     |
| Middle School                | MS Upgrade internet infrastructure-hard wired ports (data) | \$ 227,094     |
| Primary School               | PS Upgrade internet infrastructure-hard wired ports (data) | \$ 219,274     |
| High School                  | Upgrade fire alarm system                                  | \$ 141,503     |
| High School                  | HS New All-Surface Weather Track and Drainage              | \$ 679,000     |
| Total Project Cost Subtotal: |  | \$8,196,924.00 |

The projects to delete were:

| School         | Project   | Cost       |
|----------------|---|------------|
| High School    | HS New Reader Board                                       | \$ 27,200  |
| Middle School  | MS New Reader Board                                       | \$ 27,200  |
| Primary School | PS New Reader Board                                       | \$ 27,200  |
| High School    | HS New Tennis Courts, Fencings and Drainage (no lighting) | \$ 616,028 |

The projects to research further are:

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| High School | HS New Auxiliary Gym, <b>research to add bleachers &amp; stage area</b>        |
| High School | HS (adjacent to PS) Add asphalt bus loading area, <b>research local quotes</b> |
| High School | HS Improve Existing Parking lot, <b>research local quotes</b>                  |
| High School | HS Secured Walkway to VoAg Building, <b>research for Robotics Storage</b>      |
| High School | HS New Restroom Bldg at Track, <b>research smaller size</b>                    |

Mr. Heid reported that he met recently with an individual who offered to sell property to the school district. He had researched valuation estimates with local realtors. The Board will consider this opportunity for offering a fair market value for the property.

Mr. Heid shared professional development opportunities that staff would like to pursue. It is a three-year commitment if the district uses the Growth Mindset training module. He will research other training modules and report back to the Board.

A list of ten measurable goals from the September 2015 worksession were reviewed as follows:

1. Graduation rate goal will be 86% with targeted interventions
2. All students will meet EOC requirements in Math and Biology in time for normal graduation
3. The annual dropout rate is less than 3%
4. Review suspension rate goal after review with WSSDA- ***ISS is helping to reduce this***
5. Unexcused absence rate – continue to work with the local juvenile office to reduce
6. State test scores are not more than 5 percentage points lower than the state averages
7. Investigate further pre-school development interventions
8. Pass Capitol Bond Projects in 2016 and a levy in 2018
9. Have Ipads access available to all high school students as needed- ***delete***
10. Maintain Year End Fund balance of 7-9%

Mr. Heid noted that the in-school suspension program has been very effective to reduce suspension rates this year; many of the ISS children are repetitive students. The dropout rate is mainly due to the mobility of students; information on students that stay with the district all four years will be researched. It was determined to delete goal #9.

Discussion was held on the district collaboration with pre-school programs. Mr. Heid noted that there are intervention programs available but they are very expensive.

Mr. Heid shared that staff will be directed to ensure that their parents and students know behavior expectations at the beginning of each school year, and that any discipline issues throughout the school year may prevent the student from going on field trips in the spring or at year-end.

Staffing for next year's special education program is currently under review by the ESD 112 Special Education Department. Mr. Heid will report further as planning is developed.

Mr. Hoctor noted that he attended the exit interview via telephone conference with the State Auditor's Office. Our district staff and other personnel were commended for their assistance with the audit and there were no findings. It was recommended that the District adopt a credit card policy.

Adjournment:

There being no further discussion, Mr. Hoctor adjourned the meeting at 9:45 p.m.

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Board Chair

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Secretary to the Board

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Recording Secretary