

**GOLDENDALE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 404  
BOARD AGENDA  
MARCH 16, 2015 – MONDAY**

**SCHOOL BOARD MEETING – 7:00 PM**

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

( ) Deborah Heart, Chair 2015	( ) John Westerman, High School Principal
( ) Carl Conroy, Vice-Chair 2015	( ) Andy Maheras, High School Vice-Principal
( ) Virginia Amidon, Board Member 2017	( ) Dave Barta, Middle School Principal
( ) John Hctor, Board Member 2017	( ) Kriston Ferrell, Primary School Principal
( ) John Miller, Board Member 2015	( ) George Miner, Special Programs Director
( ) Mark Heid, Superintendent	( ) Kay Hill, Business Manager
( ) Lori Hackbarth, Executive Assistant	

<b>Agenda Items</b>	<b>Enclosures and Remarks</b>
<p><b>A. Call to Order</b> The regular Board Meeting will be called to order at 7:00 PM in the Goldendale Primary School Library, Goldendale WA.</p>	
<p><b>B. Flag Salute</b></p>	
<p><b>C. Introduction of Visitors-Public Questions and Comments</b> 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><b>D. Approval of Agenda and Minutes</b> 1. Agenda - Additions and/or Deletions 2. Minutes     a. February 17, 2015-Regular School Board Meeting     b. March 2, 2015-Board Worksession</p>	<p>D-2a D-2b</p>
<p><b>E. Business Managers' Report</b> 1. Financial Report - Kay Hill 2. Bills</p>	<p>E-2</p>
<p><b>F. Information and Discussion</b></p>	
<p><b>G. Principal/Board Member Comments and Reports</b> 1. Principal Comments 2. Board Comments 3. WSSDA/Legislative Report</p>	

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<p><b>H. Report of the Superintendent</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Enrollment</li> <li>2. Legislative Update</li> <li>3. WSSDA Regional Meeting-Wapato, Tuesday-April 14, 2015</li> <li>4. Diploma &amp; Scholarship Presenters, GHS Graduation-June 12, 2015</li> </ol> <p><b>I. Action Items</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Resignations <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Don Kastl, School Bus Driver</li> </ol> </li> <li>2. Hiring <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Bridget Hocter, MS Paraeducator</li> <li>b. Amandalena Mosbrucker, HS Nurse</li> <li>c. Jennifer Smith, MS Head Track Coach</li> <li>d. Laura Garrigus, MS Assistant Track Coach</li> </ol> </li> <li>3. Out of State Travel Request – HS Robotics World Championship</li> </ol> <p><b>J. Next Meeting Dates</b></p> <p>April 6, 2015-Monday, Board Worksession, 6:30 p.m.-District Office  April 20, 2015-Monday, Regular Board Meeting, 7:00 p.m.-GPS Library</p>	<p>H-1</p> <p>H-3</p> <p>I-3</p>

**GOLDENDALE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 404**  
**MINUTES – MARCH 16, 2015**  
**REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING – 7:00 P.M.**

**D-2a**

**REGULAR BOARD MEETING:**

- Board Members Present: Carl Conroy, John Hoctor, Deborah Heart, Virginia Amidon, John Miller and Mark Heid, Superintendent.
- Others Present: Lori Hackbarth, John Westerman, Andy Maheras, Dave Barta, Chip Ferrell, Chris Hill, Tamara Johnson, Barb Stout, Janet Gilliam and Beth Schroder.
- Call to Order: Ms. Heart, Board Chair called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. She welcomed guests and led the flag salute.
- Agenda Changes: Item I-1b was added: Resignation of Carren Tallman, MS Assistant Volleyball Coach.
- Approval of Minutes: Mr. Conroy moved to approve the minutes of January 20, February 5, and February 10, 2015. Mr. Miller seconded. Motion carried.
- Financial Report: Mrs. Hill, Business Manager was out-of-state however, a financial statement will be prepared upon her return.
- Payroll: Payroll for February 2015 was \$677,830.00. Warrant No's. were 99014-99054.
- Payment of Bills: Mr. Conroy moved to pay the March 2015 General Fund bills for \$120,259.18 (Warrant No. 99055-99147 & 99191 and the March 2015 ASB bills for \$21,535.94 (Warrant No's. 9386-9410). Mrs. Amidon seconded. Motion carried.
- Information: None.
- Principal Reports: Mr. Ferrell, Principal at Goldendale Primary School reported that the heat controls in the building continue to be a problem. Mr. Heid indicated that as part of the energy savings grant to upgrade the HVAC system, controls on room temperatures are set by computer to lower at night to help conserve energy. Mr. Ferrell noted that two staff groups have visited a school in Richland WA to observe their Response to Intervention (RTI) system; one more group is planning to also visit. The school honored the Classified Staff this week for their service with a video that was created using Mr. Heid as a guest speaker. Deborah Rawdon, Counselor provided a presentation at a Leader in Me Symposium last week. Assessments have begun at the primary school; the kindergarten assessment must be done individually requiring three days to assess incoming kindergartners and meet with their parents. Three paraeducators were added to the kindergarten classrooms this year for WAKids. Mr. Ferrell noted that RTI is a great system but expensive at approximately \$200,000 per year but he felt that if this system was not fully implemented, he does like the Leader in Me program as it also helps to address the needs of our students. Mr. Conroy noted that our schools begin testing in March and continue to year-end which he felt is too much.
- Mr. Barta, Principal at Goldendale Middle School noted the ESD 105 maintains data on assessments. He reported that sixteen students placed very well at a recent Math Counts Competition. Student led parent conferences begin next week. The district recently experienced a technology problem with our virus protection software and Mr. Barta wished to thank Stephen McCandless for his efficiency to repair the problem; Mr. Heid also received a call from the company CEO who provides our virus protection who had many good things to say about Mr. McCandless's assistance to get the district back up and running.
- Mr. Westerman, Principal at Goldendale High School reported that the senior Collection of Evidence students have passed their assessments; staff continues to work on Common Core in all

subjects; work continues on the class schedules for next school year and the plan is to have it completed by spring break; with enrollment declining, one teacher position can be eliminated due to attrition next year; 6 members of the robotics team have qualified for the World Robotics Competition in Kentucky in April; senior Eileen Kelsy received a \$1,000 scholarship to CWU for her artwork at the recent ESD 105 Regional Art Show; assessments have begun at the high school; staff and students are preparing for conferences next week; and the Honor Band hosted by GHS last Sunday and Monday was very good.

Mr. Maheras, Vice-Principal at Goldendale High School reported that the high school has been in contact with various colleges and universities in an effort to increase awareness of higher education opportunities. New parking lot signage will be installed soon at the high school lot. He noted the seven students will move on up to a state competition in math.

Chris Hill, Activities Director reported that the recent athletics events that were rained out last weekend have already been rescheduled. He noted the number of participants in spring athletics: 32-Baseball, 15-Softball, 40-Middle School Track, 44-High School Track, 16-Tennis and 16-Golf. There was much discussion about the deteriorating condition of the track and field; several of the valley schools do not wish to compete in Goldendale due to this. It was noted that gates to the fields need to be locked to prevent unauthorized access.

**Board Comments:**

Ms. Heart noted that she was a guest at a meeting where Deborah Rawdon had spoken about the primary school's Leader in Me program.

**WSSDA/Leg. Report:**

Mr. Miller noted that he attended the Legislative Conference and learned a lot from the experience. While he was there, he met with Rep. Gina McCabe and Rep. Norm Johnson.

**Superintendent's Report:**

Mr. Heid reported that enrollment is at 899 fte and we budgeted for 870 fte this school year. The Legislature passed a measure to attach assessment scores to teacher evaluations which will allow school districts to eliminate the failing schools notification letter at year begin and will also eliminate the requirement to set aside \$80,000 for outside tutoring. Mr. Heid noted that Randy Dorn, State Superintendent of Public Instruction has reported that several schools are opting out of the required Smarter Balanced assessments even though they could potentially receive federal funding sanctions. The WSSDA Regional Meeting will be held in Wapato on April 14; Ms. Heart indicated she would attend. A need for a newer administration office was discussed; possibilities include a modular building or stick built. Mr. Heid noted that there are several teacher vacancies for next school year due to retirements; he and Mr. Westerman are attending many career fairs for recruitment activities. There have been interested teachers in the HS Vo-ag and Science vacancies for next year but terms of employment were not realized at this time. Mr. Heid is researching the possibility of adding an online school business in the district; he and Mr. Miller will meet with a representative of one online school soon to investigate further. Parent conferences are next week and all schools will release at noon on Tuesday-Friday to help allow for professional development activities. Mr. Miller noted that a GHS graduate will soon graduate from Washington State University with an Outstanding Graduate degree in Astro-Physics. Mr. Conroy noted that the stakeholder survey indicated communications could be improved between the Board and community so he asked that draft meeting minutes be posted to the website prior the official approval. Ms. Heart noted that a new survey may be conducted to evaluate the Board of Directors.

**ACTION ITEMS:**

**Resignations:**

Mr. Conroy moved to accept the resignations of Don Kastl-School Bus Driver and Carren Tallman-MS Assistant Volleyball Coach. Mrs. Amidon seconded. Motion carried.

**Hiring:**

Mr. Miller moved to hire Bridget Hocter-MS Paraeducator, Amandalena Mosbrucker-HS Nurse, Jennifer Smith-MS Head Track Coach and Laura Garrigus-MS Assistant Track Coach. Ms. Amidon seconded. Motion carried.

Out of State Travel: Mr. Conroy moved to approve the out-of-state travel request for the high school Robotics Competition in Louisville, Kentucky in April 2015. Ms. Amidon seconded. Motion carried.

**OTHER BUSINESS:** None.

**NEXT MEETING DATES:** April 7, 2015-Tuesday, Board Worksession, 6:30 p.m.-District Office.  
April 20, 2015-Monday, Regular Board Meeting at 7:00 p.m.-GPS Library.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Ms. Heart announced that there being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:12 p.m.

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Board Chair

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Secretary to the Board

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Recording Secretary