

GOLDENDALE SCHOOL DISTRICT No. 404
BOARD WORKSESSION MINUTES
May 5, 2015 – 6:30 p.m.

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- Board Members Present: Carl Conroy, John Hctor, John Miller, Deborah Heart, Virginia Amidon and Mark Heid, Superintendent.
- Others Present: Kay Hill-Business Manager, Steven Randall-Maintenance Supervisor, John Westerman-HS Principal, Andy Maheras-HS Vice Principal, Dave Barta-MS Principal, Chip Ferrell-PS Principal and Brian Whitaker from K-12 Fuel Education Online.
- Worksession Discussion: Mr. Whitaker from K-12 Fuel Education Online provided information on the services his agency can provide regarding online education.
- Mr. Heid noted that there was a loss of twelve students in April from the prior month. The average FTE for the year so far is 900 and the annual budget was based on an enrollment of 870 FTE.
- Mr. Heid shared a timetable for the amount of time it takes to complete testing at the middle school. Testing begins at the beginning of May and end in June.
- Mr. Heid shared the assessment tool used to assist with the kindergarten screening process; it reflects the level of development in preparation for enrollment next fall.
- Mr. Heid reported that a group letter from the ESD 105 Superintendents was submitted to the Washington State Legislature regarding compliance with constitutional basic education requirements. The letter addressed concerns including a localized compensation factor, staffing limits, supplemental contracts, a school employees benefit board, bargaining agreement oversight by the Attorney General's Office rather than the state auditor office and how a levy swap would actually be detrimental to property poor districts while improving already property rich districts.
- Mr. Heid reminded the Board member that are up for reelection that the open filing dates are May 11-15, 2015.
- Mr. Heid noted that the new Student Athletic & Activity Packets are near completion.
- Discussion was held regarding school bond planning. Mr. Heid will develop the list of identified priorities and recirculate.
- Mr. Heid reported that we lost the potential applicants for high school English Teacher and Counselor. We will re-advertise all open positions.
- Adjournment: There being no further discussion, Ms. Heart adjourned the meeting at 9:54 p.m.

Board Chair

Secretary to the Board

Recording Secretary