

**GOBLES PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
BOARD OF EDUCATION OPEN MEETING  
MINUTES FOR OCTOBER 12, 2015**

I. CALL TO ORDER

Board President, Mr. Terry Doyle, opened the Regular Board of Education Open Meeting at 7:00 p.m. at the Gobles MS/HS library.

II. ROLL CALL

- a. Board Members Present: Mr. Terry Doyle, Mr. Russ Aspinwall, Mrs. Laura Blink, Mr. Mitch Smith, Mrs. Susan Dalton-Akers, and Mrs. Paula Sipes
- b. Board Members Absent: Mr. Eric Shaffer
- c. Staff Members Present: Mr. Jeff Rehlander, Mr. Terry Breen, Mr. Phil McAndrew, Mr. Chris Miller.

III. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA - I, Mr. Mitch Smith move, supported by Mrs. Laura Blink, to accept the Board of Education Meeting Agenda for October 12, 2015 as amended, removing New Business #6 and making #7 now #6. **MOTION CARRIED 6-0.**

IV. CONSENT AGENDA- I, Mrs. Paula Sipes, move that the Board of Education approve the Consent Agenda items listed below. Motion was seconded by Mrs. Susan Dalton-Akers. **MOTION CARRIED 6-0.**

- a. Acceptance of the Minutes of the Board of Education Open Meeting of September 14, 2015 as presented.
- b. Acceptance of the Minutes of the Board of Education Special Meeting of September 28, 2015 as presented.
- c. Approval of maternity leave for Mrs. Shaina Tubergen, MS Teacher, on or around December 13, 2015.
- d. Approval of maternity leave for Mrs. Veronica Peterson, HS Teacher, on or around December 20, 2015 through February 19, 2016.
- e. Approval of Proposed Out of State 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Student Trip to Chicago, Illinois, March 11, 2016 with Mrs. Leah Herman, Mrs. Shaina Tubergen, and Ms. Jordan Blanchard.
- f. Approval of Proposed Out of State/Overnight/Extended Student Trip to Washington D.C., April 21, 2016 through April 23, 2016, with Mr. Marc Kline.
- g. Approval of Proposed Out of State/Overnight/Extended Biology Club Student Trip to San Salvador Island, Bahamas, Spring Break 2016, with Mr. Bob Lisowski.
- h. Approval of the hiring of Margaret Platt, Elementary Para Pro II

V. OPEN THE MEETING TO PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – None.

VI. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

Mr. Terry Breen updated the board on the status of Ms. Connie Renoos. He also spoke about the Eight Step Process and submission of a proposal to present at MDE fall school improvement conference. Lastly, he mentioned that Chris Quist attended a five day conference this summer on Explicit Instruction and that she is doing a fantastic job onboarding staff members.

Mr. Phil McAndrew reported that the building is getting ready for NWEA testing. Awards ceremony for 2014-15 school year is scheduled for October 16<sup>th</sup>. Proud to present that the proposal to present at the Project Lead The Way Stem Conference was accepted and that the district and schools will be presenting at the 4<sup>th</sup> Annual STEM Conference,

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Eastern Michigan University, Ypsilanti, Michigan on October 28, 2015 in YpsiOctober 28<sup>th</sup> conference. Progress reports were mailed home to parents. The Gobles marching band is very successful this year. We are looking to hire an additional bus driver. Device night was very successful. CPR and First Aid Training is in the works for bus drivers. NHS Blood drive will take place on October 30<sup>th</sup> in the MS gym. We are looking at selling a few of our busses on an online site.

Mr. Chris Miller reported that he did not have anything more to report on his athletic report.

Mr. Jeff Rehlander informed the Board that on October 21<sup>st</sup> starting around 11:30 a.m. at the Paw Paw Performing Arts Center the Michigan Supreme Court case event will occur and we are sending a number of students to this event. November 12<sup>th</sup>, the County School Board organization has asked to come to Gobles to visit the district to see the Bond 2014 completion. He mentioned that this will be open to all school board members and thanked Mrs. Paula Sipes for helping to arrange this.

VII. BOARD OF EDUCATION REPORTS – None.

VIII. OLD BUSINESS

1. **Technology Report**-Mr. Nathan Jepkema, KRESA Technology Site Coordinator updated the Board of Education on Technology and the beginning of school.
2. **Transportation Report**-Mr. Phil McAndrew, Director of Transportation, updated the Board of Education on Transportation and the beginning of school.
3. **Facilities Report**-Mr. Chris Miller, Director of Facilities, updated the Board of Education on Facilities and the beginning of school.
4. **Teacher and Administrator Performance Evaluation Growth 50% Determination**- Mr. Rehlander, Superintendent of Schools, discussed the current program in place and recent State of Michigan/Legislative actions on this matter that will require district and school changes when clarity is determined.
5. **Team Gobles**- Mr. Rehlander, Superintendent of Schools, discussed the timeline and details of this new program.

IX. NEW BUSINESS

1. **2014-15 Financial Audit Report**-Representatives from YEO and YEO, the School District's designated Auditing Firm, and KRESA, the School District's Business Services Firm, made a presentation to the Board of Education regarding the auditor's findings.
2. **Proposed Refunding of 2006 Refunding Bonds**- I, Mrs. Susan Dalton-Akers, move that the Board of Education adopt the "parameters resolution" for the purpose of refinancing the school district's outstanding 2006 Refunding Bonds. Motion was seconded by Mr. Russ Aspinwall. **MOTION CARRIED 6-0.**
3. **Closed Session**- I, Mr. Mitch Smith, move that the Board of Education move to go into closed session based on Section 9(c) of the Michigan Open Meetings Act, MCL 15.268 for negotiations. Motion was seconded by Mrs. Paula Sipes. **MOTION CARRIED 6-0.**

*The Gobles Board of Education moved into closed session at 8:08 p.m.*

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I, Mr. Russ Aspinwall, move that the Board of Education come out of closed session. Motion was seconded by Mrs. Laura Blink. **MOTION CARRIED 6-0.**

*The Gobles Board of Education returned from closed session at 8:37 p.m.*

4. **Administrators Agreement-** I, Mr. Mitch Smith, move that the Board of Education postpone the Administrative Agreement until the November 9, 2015 meeting. Motion was seconded by Mrs. Susan Dalton-Akers. **MOTION CARRIED 6-0**

5. **Custodial/Maintenance Agreement-** I, Mr. Mitch Smith, move that the Board of Education postpone Custodial/Maintenance Agreement until the November 9, 2015 meeting. Motion was seconded by Mrs. Susan Dalton-Akers. **MOTION CARRIED 6-0**

6. **Enrollment and Class Size Report-** I, Mrs. Paula Sipes, move that with the rise in enrollment and State Aid Impact as well as Class Size and Additional Needs that the Board of Education approve the job posting submitted excluding the Public Relations position. Motion was seconded by Mr. Mitch Smith. **MOTION CARRIED 6-0.**

#### X. FINANCE

1. Check Register
2. General Fund Budget Summary

I, Mrs. Susan Dalton-Akers, move that the Board of Education pay August 2015 General Fund Board bills in the amount of \$183,495.36, as presented. Motion was seconded by Mr. Mitch Smith. **MOTION CARRIED 6-0.**

#### XI. OPEN THE MEETING TO PUBLIC PARTICIPATION- None.

#### XII. ADJOURN THE MEETING

*The meeting was adjourned at 10:25 p.m.*

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Paula Sipes, Secretary  
Gobles Board of Education