

**GOBLES PUBLIC SCHOOLS SPECIAL BOARD OF EDUCATION
OPEN MEETING MINUTES FOR MARCH 30, 2015**

I. Call to order

Board President, Mr. Terry Doyle, opened the Special Board of Education Open Meeting at 7:00 p.m. in the MS/HS Library.

II. Roll Call

a. Board Members Present

Mr. Terry Doyle
Mr. Mitch Smith
Mr. Gary Napp
Mrs. Susan Dalton-Akers
Mrs. Paula Sipes

b. Board Members Absent

Mr. Russ Aspinwall
Mrs. Laura Blink

c. Staff Members Present

Mr. Jeff Rehlander
Mr. Terry Breen
Mr. Phil McAndrew
Mr. Damian Koob
Mr. Chris Miller

III. Consideration and approval of Agenda

Mrs. Paula Sipes moved, supported by Mr. Mitch Smith, to accept the Regular Board of Education Meeting Agenda for March 9, 2015.

AYES: Smith, Doyle, Sipes, Dalton-Akers, Napp

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Aspinwall, Blink

ABSTAINED: None.

The motion was declared adopted.

IV. Superintendent Correspondence and Communication

Mr. Rehlander presented two items.

The Van Buren County Association of school boards is hosting the annual dinner on April 23rd. Board members need to RSVP by April 10th if they are able to attend the meeting.

For Spring Break, the Superintendent’s Office will be closed on Good Friday and then April 13-17.

V. Open the meeting to the public for non-agenda items

Mr. Lee Abernathy, 53rd St., Grand Junction. Mr. Abernathy indicated that he has a hard time hearing and would like to indicate not being able to hear the meeting by raising his hand in the crowd.

VI. OLD BUSINESS- None.

VII. NEW BUSINESS

1. **CHANGE OF APRIL 13, 2015 REGULAR SCHEDULED BOARD MEETING**-Because of Spring Break, there is a need to move the April 13, 2015 Regular Scheduled Board of Education meeting.

Mr. Mitch Smith moved, supported by Mr. Gary Napp, that the Board of Education reschedule the regular April 13th, 2015 Board of Education Meeting to April 20, 2015.

- AYES: Napp, Dalton-Akers, Sipes, Doyle, Smith
 - NAYS: None.
 - ABSENT: Aspinwall, Blink
 - ABSTAINED: None.
- The motion was declared adopted.

2. **AFFORDABLE CARE ACT**-Compliance and reporting requirements of the Affordable Care Act require an expertise and manpower commitment that does not exist in our organization, other County School Districts, and across the State of Michigan. Superintendents and Business Managers from the County School Districts met with SET SEG officials to discuss a solution.

Mr. Gary Napp moved, supported by Mrs. Susan Dalton-Akers, that the Board of Education approve a contract for this work with SET SEG at a cost of approximately \$4,000.

- AYES: Dalton-Akers, Napp, Doyle, Smith, Sipes
 - NAYS: None.
 - ABSENT: Aspinwall, Blink
 - ABSTAINED: None.
- The motion was declared adopted.

3. **MAY 5, 2015 STATEWIDE BALLOT**-The State of Michigan Legislature has put Road Funding and Education Funding on the May 5, 2015 Statewide Ballot.

Mrs. Susan Dalton-Akers moved, supported by Mrs. Paula Sipes, that the Board of Education adopt the resolution against School Aid Fund Transfer to Higher Education and In Support of Proposal 1.

AYES: Sipes, Doyle, Smith, Napp, Dalton-Akers

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Aspinwall, Blink

ABSTAINED: None.

The motion was declared adopted.

4. **PARAPROFESSIONAL SUPPORT NEEDS**-The elementary school is requesting additional staffing support to address new student programming.

Mrs. Paula Sipes moved, supported by Mr. Gary Napp, that the Board of Education approve the additional Para Professional Support Needs as submitted.

AYES: Doyle, Sipes, Dalton-Akers, Napp, Smith

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Aspinwall, Blink

ABSTAINED: None.

The motion was declared adopted.

5. **MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TITLE AUDIT**-Beginning in October of 2014, the school district has been working with the Office of Field Services from the Michigan Department of Education regarding a TITLE AUDIT. The On Site Review Team from the Michigan Department of Education visited the district on February 10, 2015. The district received the TITLE AUDIT REPORT on March 5, 2015.

Mr. Terry Breen handed our documentation and spoke more about the Title Audit.

6. **SUPERINTENDENT AND ADMINISTRATIVE CONTRACTS**- The Board of Education is required to take action on administrative contracts each year on or before April 1. The following recommendations are presented for your consideration:

Mr. Gary Napp moved, supported by Mr. Mitch Smith that the Board of Education approve the extension and issuance of a three year administrative contract for Mr. Jeff Rehlander as Superintendent of Schools beginning July 1, 2015 and ending on June 30, 2018.

AYES: Smith, Napp, Dalton-Akers, Sipes, Doyle

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Aspinwall, Blink

ABSTAINED: None.

The motion was declared adopted.

Mr. Mitch Smith moved, supported by Mr. Gary Napp, that the Board approve the extension and issuance of a two year administrative contract beginning on July 1, 2015 and ending on June 30, 2017 for Mr. Terry Breen as the Elementary Principal, Director of Food Supervisor, and District Grants and Reports Administrator.

AYES: Napp, Smith, Doyle, Sipes, Dalton-Akers

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Aspinwall, Blink

ABSTAINED: None.

The motion was declared adopted.

Mr. Mitch Smith moved, supported by Mrs. Paula Sipes, that the Board approve the extension and issuance of a two year administrative contract beginning on July 1, 2015 and ending on June 30, 2017 for Mr. Chris Miller as the Director of Athletics, Dean of Students, and Director of Facilities and Grounds.

AYES: Dalton-Akers, Sipes, Doyle, Smith, Napp

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Aspinwall, Blink

ABSTAINED: None.

The motion was declared adopted.

Mr. Mitch Smith moved, supported by Mr. Gary Napp, that the Board approve the extension and issuance of a two year administrative contract beginning on July 1, 2015 and ending on June 30, 2017 for Mr. Damian Koob as the Director of Technology and Data Management.

AYES: Sipes, Dalton-Akers, Napp, Smith, Doyle

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Aspinwall, Blink

ABSTAINED: None.

The motion was declared adopted.

Mr. Gary Napp moved, supported by Mrs. Paula Sipes, that the Board approve the extension and issuance of a two year administrative contract beginning on July 1, 2015 and ending on June 30, 2017 for Mr. Phil McAndrew as the Middle/High School Principal, Virtual Academy Principal, and Director of Transportation.

AYES: Doyle, Smith, Napp, Sipes
NAYS: Dalton-Akers
ABSENT: Aspinwall, Blink
ABSTAINED: None.
The motion was declared adopted.

7. BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. **GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE**-On Monday, March 16, 2015 the Governance Committee consisting of Mrs. Susan Dalton-Akers and Mrs. Paula Sipes met to discuss Focus and Alignment of the Organization. A summary report will be given.

Mr. Mitch Smith moved, supported by Mrs. Susan Dalton-Akers that the Governance Committee recommends that the Board of Education authorize the administration to continue moving forward with this work.

AYES: Smith, Doyle, Sipes, Dalton-Akers, Napp
NAYS: None
ABSENT: Aspinwall, Blink
ABSTAINED: None.
The motion was declared adopted.

- B. **GOALS COMMITTEE**-On Wednesday, March 18, 2015 the Goals Committee consisting of Mrs. Susan Dalton-Akers, Mrs. Laura Blink, and Mr. Terry Doyle met to discuss Goals of the Organization. A summary report will be given.

Mrs. Susan Dalton-Akers moved, supported by Mrs. Paula Sipes, that the Goals Committee recommends that the Board of Education authorize the administration to continue moving forward with this work.

AYES: Napp, Dalton-Akers, Sipes, Doyle, Smith
NAYS: None
ABSENT: Aspinwall, Blink
ABSTAINED: None.
The motion was declared adopted.

- C. **CURRICULUM COMMITTEE**-On March 24, 2015 the Curriculum Committee consisting of Mr. Terry Doyle, Mr. Mitch Smith, and Mr. Gary Napp met to discuss Curriculum Issues of the Organization. A summary report will be given.

Mr. Mitch Smith moved, supported by Mr. Gary Napp, that the Curriculum Committee recommends that the Board of Education authorize the administration to continue moving forward with this work.

AYES: Smith, Napp, Dalton-Akers, Sipes, Doyle

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Aspinwall, Blink

ABSTAINED: None.

The motion was declared adopted.

8. CLOSED SESSION-Pending litigation.

Mrs. Susan Dalton-Akers moved, supported by Mrs. Paula Sipes, that the administration recommends that the Board of Education go into closed session according to MCL 15.268 Section 8 of the Open Meetings Act to consult with its attorney regarding trial or settlement strategy in connection with specific pending legislation and Section 13 (1) (g) of the Freedom of Information Act, which exempts from public disclosure “(i) information or records subject to attorney-client privilege.

AYES: Napp, Smith, Doyle, Sipes, Dalton-Akers,

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Aspinwall, Blink

ABSTAINED: None.

The motion was declared adopted and moved into closed session at 7:50 p.m.

The Gobles Board of Education returned from closed session at 8:29 p.m.

Mr. Mitch Smith moved, supported by Mrs. Susan Dalton-Akers, to approve the minutes read in closed session.

AYES: Dalton-Akers, Sipes, Doyle, Smith, Napp

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Aspinwall, Blink

ABSTAINED: None.

XII. ADJOURN THE MEETING

Mr. Terry Doyle motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:29 p.m.