

**GOBLES PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION OPEN MEETING  
MINUTES FOR APRIL 14, 2014  
7:00 P.M.**

1. Board President, Brian Beam, opened the Regular Board of Education Open Meeting at 7:00 p.m. in the Middle/High School Library.
  
2. Attendance
  - a. Board Members Present  
Paula Sipes  
Brian Beam  
Mitch Smith  
Dan Wahmhoff  
Gary Napp  
Terry Doyle
  
  - b. Board Members Absent  
Bonnie Miller
  
  - c. Staff Members Present  
Jeff Rehlander, Superintendent  
Phil McAndrew, Middle/High School Principal-Transportation Director  
Terry Breen, Elem. Principal-Food Service-District Grants and Reports  
Damian Koob, Director of Technology and Data Management  
Chris Miller, Dean of Students-Athletic Director –Director of Facilities
  
  - d. Others Present  
Visitors - 9  
Press - 0
  
3. There were three additions to the agenda. Under New Business PROBATIONARY TEACHER RECOMMENDATIONS was added as Item #12, BUS DRIVER RESIGNATION was added as Item #13 and BUS DRIVER RESIGNATION was added as Item #14.
  
4. Mr. Doyle moved, supported by Mrs. Sipes, to approve the Agenda as amended. Roll call vote:  
AYES: Sipes, Wahmhoff, Doyle, Smith, Napp Beam  
NAYS: None  
ABSENT: Miller  
ABSTAINED: None  
The motion was declared adopted.

5. Mr. Doyle moved, supported by Mr. Napp, to accept the Minutes of the Board of Education Special Open Meeting of March 5, 2014, as presented. Roll call vote:  
AYES: Wahmhoff, Doyle, Smith, Napp, Beam, Sipes  
NAYS: None  
ABSENT: Miller  
ABSTAINED: None  
The motion was declared adopted.
6. Mr. Wahmhoff moved, supported by Mr. Smith, to accept the Minutes of the Regular Board of Education Open meeting of March 10, 2014, as presented. Roll call vote:  
AYES: Doyle, Smith, Napp, Beam, Sipes, Wahmhoff  
NAYS: None  
ABSENT: Miller  
ABSTAINED: None  
The motion was declared adopted.
7. Mr. Doyle moved, supported by Mr. Napp, to accept the Minutes of the Special Board of Education Open meeting of March 19, 2014, as presented. Roll call vote:  
AYES: Smith, Napp, Beam, Sipes, Wahmhoff, Doyle  
NAYS: None  
ABSENT: Miller  
ABSTAINED: None  
The motion was declared adopted.
8. Correspondence – Mr. Rehlander read a letter from the State of Michigan regarding our School Meals Report for 2013. The report indicates an excess fund balance of \$11,431.06. Mr. Eric Meloche is in the process of writing up a plan of action which must provide a detailed description of how the excess funds will be used and the cost breakdown associated with this use in order to meet the above-cited regulation.
9. The meeting was opened to the public for non-agenda items. Mrs. Alyce Bird shared with the Board her reasons for her resignation as a Gobles School bus driver effective March 18, 2014.
10. Administrative Reports
  - a. Mr. Breen informed the Board that elementary fall conference rate is at 94%, which will increase as teachers contact those who did not attend. He also advised the Board that we have 55 students sign up for Kindergarten round-up. This is good news as it is 20-30 more than we had last year at this time.
  - b. Mr. Koob had nothing to add to his report.

- c. Mr. Miller congratulated Ellen Doyle for being named BCAM Honorable Mention All-State and Michaela DeKilder for being named AP Honorable Mention All-State, BCAM First Team All-State, and Detroit Free Press All-State First Team. He congratulated Coach Curtis and the entire Girls' Basketball Team for an incredible season.
  - d. Mr. McAndrew had nothing to add to his report.
  - e. Mr. Rehlander reviewed with the Board the progress being made on the Safety Committee recommendations, which included safety training with staff. On April 3 we held a half day of professional development for staff to train in case of an in-house intruder with a gun. The staff responded well and learned a lot from the demonstration.
11. Board of Education Reports
- a. Mr. Wahmhoff reported the Finance Committee met on March 31 to begin discussing the 2014-15 budget and will keep the entire Board updated.
12. Mr. Beam moved, supported by Mr. Doyle, to approve the the resolution supporting the proposed budget for the Van Buren Intermediate School District for the 2014-2015 school year as presented.
- AYES: Napp, Beam, Sipes, Wahmhoff, Doyle, Smith  
NAYS: None  
ABSENT: Miller  
ABSTAINED: None
- The motion was declared adopted.
13. Mr. Wahmhoff moved, supported by Paula Sipes, to approve issuing William Eichberg a contract for the 2014-15 school year as the State will be granting him tenure. Roll call vote:
- AYES: Beam, Sipes, Wahmhoff, Doyle, Smith, Napp  
NAYS: None  
ABSENT: Miller  
ABSTAINED: None
- The motion was declared adopted.
14. Mr. Wahmhoff moved, supported by Paula Sipes, to approve issuing LeAnn Seiler a contract for the 2014-15 school year as the State will be granting her tenure. Roll call vote:
- AYES: Sipes, Wahmhoff, Doyle, Smith, Napp, Beam  
NAYS: None  
ABSENT: Miller  
ABSTAINED: None
- The motion was declared adopted.

15. Title I Reading and Math staff, Geanice Miller, with the support of Heather Gordon, Lori Henry, and Diane Stanton gave a presentation about how the implementation of the 8-Step Instructional Process is progressing. They walked the Board through the steps the students go through and how they progress. For information only.
  
16. Mr. McAndrew and Mr. Breen reviewed with the Board the MEAP – NWEA results. They reviewed graphs comparing the last four years for 3rd Grade in Math and Reading, 4<sup>th</sup> Grade in Math, Reading and Writing, 5<sup>th</sup> Grade in Math, Reading and Science, 6<sup>th</sup> Grade in Math Reading and Social Studies, 7<sup>th</sup> Grade in Math, Reading and Writing, 8<sup>th</sup> Grade in Math, Reading, Science, and 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Social Studies. They also reviewed graphs comparing Gobles with the State and the ISD. Mr. McAndrew reviewed with the Board the NWEA testing results for student Growth comparing the National Norm and Gobles results.
  
17. Mr. Wahmhoff moved, supported by Mr. Smith, to approve the resolution that Gobles Public Schools has met the requirements of Section 22f of the State School Aid Act that provides \$52.00 per pupil for satisfying at least 7 or 8 Best Practices. Roll call vote:  
AYES: Wahmhoff, Doyle, Smith, Sipes, Beam, Napp  
NAYS: None  
ABSENT: Bonnie Miller  
ABSTAINED: None  
The motion was declared adopted
  
18. Mr. Smith moved, supported by Mr. Napp, to approve Gobles Public Schools to participate in the Schools of Choice Program during the 2014-2015 school year. Roll call vote;  
AYES: Doyle, Smith, Sipes, Beam, Napp, Wahmhoff  
NAYS: None  
ABSENT: Bonnie Miller  
ABSTAINED: None  
The motion was declared adopted.
  
19. Mr. Wahmhoff moved, supported by Mr. Doyle, to approve the contract for financial services with KRESA for the remainder of the 2013-14 school year, as well as the 2014-15 school year. Roll call vote:  
AYES: Smith, Beam, Napp, Wahmhoff, Doyle  
NAYS: Sipes  
ABSENT: Bonnie Miller  
ABSTAINED: None  
The motion was declared adopted.

20. Mr. Doyle moved, supported by Mr. Napp, to approve the administrative recommendation to employ Krista Clement as our Middle School Boys Track coach beginning with the 2013-2014 track season at 7% of the first step of the teacher BA Salary Schedule less 15% divided by two. Employment will be provided by Van Buren Research & Development Foundation. Roll call vote:  
AYES: Beam, Napp, Smith, Wahmhoff, Sipes, Doyle  
NAYS: None  
ABSENT: Miller  
ABSTAINED: None  
The motion was declared adopted.
  
21. Mr. Doyle moved, supported by Mr. Napp, to approve the administrative recommendation to employ Jim Wiseley as the head J.V. Baseball coach and Marc VanHeukelum as Assistant J.V. Baseball coach for the 2013-14 school year at 8% of step 3 of the Teacher's BA salary schedule less 15%. As co-coaches they will split the salary. Roll call vote:  
AYES: Doyle, Beam Sipes, Napp, Smith, Wahmhoff  
NAYS: None  
ABSENT: Miller  
ABSTAINED: None  
The motion was declared adopted.
  
22. Mr. Wahmhoff moved, supported by Mr. Doyle, to accept the letter of resignation from Ellen Rebenstorf as Elementary Special Education teacher effective the end of the 2013-14 school year with thanks for her years of service. Roll call vote:  
AYES: Beam, Sipes, Napp, Smith, Wahmhoff, Doyle  
NAYS: None  
ABSENT: Miller  
ABSTAINED: None  
The motion was declared adopted.
  
17. Mr. Rehlander updated the Board on the Facility/Technology Bond Project. He advised the Board that there were 25-30 people beginning the phone call process tonight. Wednesday, April 16, at 7:00 we will hold our first community presentation. All administrators, steering committee representatives and our professional Services people will be there to offer information and answer questions. This was for information only.

18. Mr. Doyle moved, supported by Mr. Wahmhoff, to approve granting second year probation to Denise Davis beginning with the 2014-15 school year. Roll call vote:  
AYES: Wahmhoff, Doyle, Napp, Sipes, Beam, Smith  
NAYS: None  
ABSENT: Miller  
ABSTAINED: None  
The motion was declared adopted.
  
19. Mr. Doyle moved, supported by Mr. Wahmhoff, to approve granting a second year probation to Aline Kosiara beginning with the 2014-15 school year. Roll call vote:  
AYES: Wahmhoff, Napp, Doyle, Sipes, Beam, Smith  
NAYS: None  
ABSENT: Miller  
ABSTAINED: None  
The motion was declared adopted.
  
20. Mr. Doyle moved, supported by Mr. Smith, to accept the letter of resignation from Alyce Weirick-Bird as a Gobles Bus Driver effective 4-18-2014. Roll call vote:  
AYES: Napp, Doyle, Sipes, Beam, Smith, Wahmhoff  
NAYS: None  
ABSENT: Miller  
ABSTAINED: None  
The motion was declared adopted.
  
20. Mr. Doyle moved, supported by Mr. Napp, to accept the letter of resignation from James Doorlag as a full time sub Gobles Bus Driver effective 4-18-2014. Roll call vote:  
AYES: Doyle, Sipes, Beam, Smith, Wahmhoff, Napp  
NAYS: None  
ABSENT: Miller  
ABSTAINED: None  
The motion was declared adopted.
  
21. Mr. Wahmhoff moved, supported by Mr. Doyle, to pay March General Fund Board bills in the amount of \$156,241.89 as presented. Roll call vote:  
AYES: Beam, Doyle, Smith, Wahmhoff, Napp, Sipes  
NAYS: None  
ABSENT: Miller  
ABSTAINED: None  
The motion was declared adopted.

30. Mr. Wahmhoff moved, supported by Mr. Smith, to adjourn the meeting.  
The motion was declared adopted.
  
31. The meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

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Paula Sipes, Secretary  
Gobles Board of Education