

**GOBLES PUBLIC SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION OPEN MEETING
MINUTES FOR MAY 11, 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.
- b. Board Members Present: Mr. Terry Doyle, Mr. Mitch Smith, Mr. Russ Aspinwall, Mrs. Susan Dalton-Akers, Mrs. Laura Blink
- c. Board Members Absent: Mrs. Paula Sipes, Mr. Gary Napp
- d. Staff Members Present: Mr. Jeff Rehlander, Mr. Terry Breen, Mr. Damian Koob

III. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA- New Business Item #4 should be deleted. I, Mr. Mitch Smith moved, supported by Mrs. Laura Blink, to accept the Regular Board of Education Meeting Agenda for May 11, 2015 as amended. **MOTION CARRIED. 5-0**

IV. ACCEPTANCE OF THE MINUTES- I, Mrs. Susan Dalton-Akers moved, supported by Mr. Russ Aspinwall, to accept the Minutes from the Board of Education meeting on April 20, 2015. **MOTION CARRIED. 5-0**

V. CORRESPONDENCE-YEO AND YEO - **Informational purposes only.**

VI. OPEN THE MEETING TO THE PUBLIC FOR NON-AGENDA ITEMS- Mr. Lee Abernathy had a question in regards to the language at the end of the Agenda. **Mr. Jeff Rehlander, Superintendent of Schools, will follow-up on this matter.**

VII. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS- **Reports were discussed.**

VIII. BOARD OF EDUCATION REPORTS- **Finance Committee will meet May 4, 2015.**

IX. INSTRUCTIONAL FOCUS-**Elementary Technology Presentation by Mrs. Chris Quist, Mrs. Nancy Bolhuis and Mrs. Suzie Stambek.**

IX. OLD BUSINESS

- 1. CLOSED SESSION- I, Mrs. Susan Dalton-Akers make the motion that 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. Motion was seconded by Mr. Russ Aspinwall. **MOTION CARRIED. 5-0**

The Gobles Board of Education moved into closed session at 7:57 p.m.

I, Mr. Mitch Smith move that board come out of closed session. Motion was seconded by Mrs. Susan Dalton-Akers. **MOTION CARRIED 5-0.**

The Gobles Board of Education returned from closed session at 8:27 p.m.

I, Mr. Mitch Smith move to accept the minutes as read in closed session. Motion was seconded by Mrs. Susan Dalton-Akers. **MOTION CARRIED. 5-0**

- 2. BOND 2014 UPDATE- Skillman, the Construction Manager, and Secant, the Technology Consultant updated the Board of Education on the plans and progress being made with the Bond 2014 project.

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3. TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION- I, Mr. Russ Aspinwall move that the Board of Education approve the Student Device Initiative Parent and Students Handbooks. Motion was seconded by Mrs. Susan Dalton-Akers. **MOTION CARRIED. 5-0**
4. TECH SUPPORT STAFFING RECOMMENDATION- I, Mr. Mitch Smith move that the Board of Education allow the administration to move forward with an Open Request For Proposal pending review of the market place. Motion was seconded by Mr. Russ Aspinwall. **MOTION CARRIED. 5-0**
5. BOARD PROCESS COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION- I, Mrs. Susan Dalton-Akers move that the Board of Education approve the Board Process Committee's proposals. Motion was seconded by Mr. Mitch Smith. **MOTION CARRIED. 5-0**

X. NEW BUSINESS

1. CULTURAL ASSESSMENT SERVICES- I, Mr. Russ Aspinwall move that the Board of Education authorize Cultural Assessment Services for the organization in the amount of \$3700.00. Motion was seconded by Mr. Mitch Smith. **MOTION CARRIED. 5-0**
2. TRI-COUNTY HEAD START LEASE- I, Mr. Mitch Smith move that the Board of Education approve the Tri-County Head Start Lease for the 2015-16 school year. Motion was seconded by Mrs. Susan Dalton-Akers. **MOTION CARRIED. 5-0**
3. PERSONNEL COMMITTEE- I, Mr. Mitch Smith move that the Board of Education authorize the Personnel Committee to continue its work. Motion was seconded by Mr. Russ Aspinwall. **MOTION CARRIED. 5-0**
4. VAN BUREN INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICT BIENNIAL ELECTION- I, Mr. Russ Aspinwall move that the Board of Education adopt a resolution as submitted. Motion was seconded by Mrs. Laura Blink **MOTION CARRIED. 5-0**
5. VAN BUREN INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICT GENERAL FUND OPERATING BUDGET RESOLUTION- I, Mrs. Susan Dalton-Akers move that the Board of Education approve the resolution supporting the 2015-2016 Proposed General Fund Operating Budget for the Van Buren Intermediate School District. Motion was seconded by Mr. Russ Aspinwall. **MOTION CARRIED. 5-0**
6. BEST PRACTICE INCENTIVE RESOLUTION- I, Mr. Mitch Smith move that the Board of Education approve the resolution that Gobles Public Schools has met the requirements of Section 22f of the State School Aid Act that provide \$50.00 per pupil for satisfying at least 7 of 9 Best Practices criteria. Motion seconded by Mrs. Laura Blink. **MOTION CARRIED. 5-0**
7. KALAMAZOO REGIONAL EDUCATIONAL SERVICES AGENCY BUSINESS SERVICES AGREEMENT- I, Mr. Mitch Smith move that the Board of Education approve a Business Services Agreement with Kalamazoo Regional Educational Services Agency as submitted. Motion was seconded by Mrs. Susan Dalton-Akers. **MOTION DENIED 3-1 (1 ABSTAINED-ASPINWALL/1 NAY-BLINK)**
8. PROBATIONARY TEACHER RECOMMENDATIONS-

I, Mr. Mitch Smith move that the Board of Education approve issuing Ms. Denise Davis a contract for the 2015-16 school year as the State will be granting her tenure. Motion was seconded by Mrs. Laura Blink. **MOTION CARRIED. 5-0**

I, Mr. Mitch Smith move that the Board of Education approve granting 2nd year probationary employment to Mrs. Kelly Touchtone beginning with the 2015-16 school year. Motion was seconded by Mrs. Laura Blink. **MOTION CARRIED. 5-0**

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I, Mr. Mitch Smith move that the Board of Education approve granting 2nd year probationary employment to Ms. Kathleen Sundling beginning with the 2015-16 school year. Motion was seconded by Mrs. Susan Dalton-Akers. **MOTION CARRIED. 5-0**

I, Mr. Mitch Smith move that the Board of Education approve granting 2nd year probationary employment to Mrs. Melinda O'Rourke beginning with the 2015-16 school year. Motion was seconded by Mrs. Laura Blink. **MOTION CARRIED. 5-0**

9. SUMMER 2014-2015 ADDITIONAL SECRETARIAL TIME- I, Mr. Russ Aspinwall move that the Board of Education approve the request to add five days for the secondary principal secretary for a total additional compensation of approximately \$750.00 and twenty-two days for the central office receptionist at a total additional compensation of approximately \$2,878.00. Motion was seconded by Mrs. Laura Blink. **MOTION CARRIED. 4-1 (1 NAY-DALTON-AKERS)**

XI. FINANCE

I, Mrs. Susan Dalton-Akers move that the Board of Education pay April 2015 General Fund Board bills in the amount of \$212,885.51, as presented. Motion was seconded by Mrs. Laura Blink. **MOTION CARRIED. 5-0**

XII. ADJOURN THE MEETING

The meeting was adjourned at 10:30.

Paula Sipes, Secretary
Gobles Board of Education