

**GOBLES PUBLIC SCHOOLS
REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION OPEN MEETING
MINUTES FOR JULY 20, 2015 at 7:00 P.M.**

I. CALL TO ORDER

Board President, Mr. Terry Doyle, opened the Special Board of Education Open Meeting at 7:00 p.m. at the Gobles City Hall.

II. ROLL CALL

- a. Board Members Present: Mr. Terry Doyle, Mr. Russ Aspinwall, Mrs. Laura Blink and Mr. Mitch Smith, Mr. Eric Shaffer, Mrs. Susan Dalton-Akers, and Mrs. Paula Sipes
- b. Board Members Absent: None
- c. Staff Members Present: Mr. Jeff Rehlander, Mr. Damian Koob

III. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA – I, Mrs. Susan Dalton-Akers move, supported by Mrs. Laura Blink to accept the Board of Education Meeting Agenda for July 20, 2015. **MOTION CARRIED 7-0.**

IV. CONSENT AGENDA – I, Mr. Mitch Smith, move that the Board of Education approve the Consent Agenda items listed below. Motion was seconded by Mrs. Paula Sipes. **MOTION CARRIED 7-0.**

- a. Acceptance of the Minutes of the Board of Education Open Meeting of June 8, 2015, as presented.
- b. Acceptance of the Minutes of the Board of Education Budget Hearing of June 8, 2015, as presented.
- c. Acceptance of the Minutes of the Special Board of Education Open Meeting of June 22, 2015, as presented.
- d. Acceptance of the Minutes of the Special Board of Education Open Meeting of June 29, 2015, as presented.
- e. Acceptance of the Minutes of the Special Board of Education Open Meeting of July 16, 2015, as presented.
- f. Acceptance of the Resignation of Damian Koob, Director of Technology and Data Management.
- g. Principal Office for the 2015-16 School Year-The District Office will be designated as the Principal Office.
- h. Regular Board Meeting Dates for 2015-16 School Year-With the exception of the July 2015 Board Meetings, the Board will hold Regular Board of Education Meetings on the second Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the middle/high school library and that a listing of such meetings will be posted in the Principal Office.
- i. Depositories for School District Funds for 2015-16 School Year-The Board authorizes Chemical Bank Shoreline of South Haven, Michigan Liquid Asset Fund, or other licensed financial institutions for school district funds.
- j. Appointment of School Attorney for 2015-16 School Year-Thrun Law Firm will be retained as the school district's attorney.
- k. Authorization to Sign Teacher Contracts for 2015-16 School Year-The Superintendent will be authorized to sign teacher contracts after Board approval of employment.

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- l. Check Authorization for 2015-16 School Year-The school district checks have authorized signatures specific to the following categories of accounts: General Fund Transfer, General Fund Checking, Payroll, Capital Projects, Trust & Agency, Hot Lunch, and Athletics, as per past practice.
 - m. Appointment of School Auditor for 2015-16 School Year-The auditing firm of YEO & YEO will be retained as the school district's auditor.
 - n. Official School Newspaper for 2015-16 School Year-The *Paw Paw Courier Leader* will be authorized as the official school newspaper.
 - o. Board Members Pay- By-Law 0144.1 provides payment to board members of up to \$10.00 per meeting for a maximum of 52 meetings per year. Board members have willingly chosen to forgo this payment for the 2014-2015 school year. The Board will approve the choice of Board members to forgo payment for attending meetings for the 2015-2016 school year.
 - p. Acceptance of the Resignation of Elizabeth Berezcki, Varsity Cheer Coach.
 - q. Elementary Teacher Position was posted and candidates were interviewed. The administration recommends the hiring of Kaitlyn Harris.
- V. OPEN THE MEETING TO PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – Mrs. Veronica Peterson, secondary teacher, spoke in regards to the school budget and her concerns and asked the board to look at the teacher's contract. Mrs. Julie Boes, elementary teacher, spoke in regards to asking for a fair settlement for the teacher's contract.
- VI. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS – Mr. Jeff Rehlander, Superintendent, shared that he will be out of the office the week of July 27th for vacation. Additionally, he shared his recent activities of serving as a member of the AASA Governing Board as well as his selection to present and share the "Gobles Story" at the AASA Conference in February 2016.
- VII. BOARD OF EDUCATION REPORTS – None.
- VIII. OLD BUSINESS
1. 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.
 2. Food Service Agreement- I, Mr. Mitch Smith move that the Gobles Board of Education approve the Food Service Supervisor annual shared agreement as submitted. Motion was seconded by Mrs. Susan Dalton-Akers. **MOTION CARRIED 7-0.**
 3. Grievance settlement between Gobles Public Schools and the Gobles Educational Support Personnel Association- I. Mr. Russ Aspinwall move that the Board of Education approve the grievance settlement as submitted. Motion was seconded by Mr. Eric Shaffer. **MOTION CARRIED 7-0.**
 4. Governance Committee- I, Mrs. Susan Dalton-Akers move that the Board of Education approve the Board Compact document. Motion was seconded by Mrs. Laura Blink. **MOTION CARRIED 7-0.**
 5. Goals Committee- I, Mr. Russ Aspinwall move that the Board of Education approve the Superintendent's Goals and Evaluation document. Motion was seconded by Mr. Mitch Smith. **MOTION CARRIED 7-0.**

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IX. NEW BUSINESS

1. Request for Proposal for Technology Services- I, Mr. Mitch Smith, move that the Board of Education approve the bid award in response to the Request for Proposal for Technology Services for one year. Motion seconded by Mrs. Laura Blink. **MOTION CARRIED 6-0, Mr. Russ Aspinwall recuses.**
2. Instructional Technology Coordinator- I, Mr. Mitch Smith, move that the Board of Education employ Instructional Technology Coordinator services according to the provisions of the Request for Proposal for Technology Services from KRESA for two days a week. Motion was seconded by Mrs. Susan Dalton-Akers. **MOTION CARRIED 6-0, Mr. Russ Aspinwall recuses.**
3. Grand Opening – With the Bond 2014 Implementation, plans need to be made for a Grand Opening to highlight the Capital Improvements. The discussion was to have the Grand Opening during the planned open house on Wednesday, September 2nd.
4. STEM Technology Order – I, Mr. Eric Shaffer, move that the Board of Education approve the purchase of the HP Probook 450G2 Notebooks in the amount of \$23,521.00. Motion was seconded by Mrs. Paula Sipes. **MOTOIN CARRIED 7-0.**

X. FINANCE

1. Check Register
2. General Fund Budget Summary

I, Mrs. Susan Dalton-Akers, move that the Board of Education pay June 2015 General Fund Board bills in the amount of \$336,836.90, as presented. Motion was seconded by Mrs. Paula Sipes. **MOTION CARRED 7-0.**

XI. OPEN THE MEETING TO PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – Questions on Technology Implementation.

- XII. CLOSED SESSION- I, Mr. Mitch Smith, move that the Board 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 7-0.**

The Gobles Board of Education moved into closed session at 8:50 p.m.

I, Mr. Mitch Smith, move that the Board of Education come out of closed session. Motion was seconded by Mrs. Susan Dalton-Akers. **MOTION CARRIED 7-0.**

The Gobles Board of Education returned from closed session at 9:55 p.m.

I, Mr. Mitch Smith, move that the minutes be approved from closed session. Motion was seconded by Mr. Eric Shaffer. **MOTION CARRIED 7-0.**

XIII. ADJOURN THE MEETING

The meeting was adjourned at 9:56 p.m.

Paula Sipes, Secretary
Gobles Board of Education