

**GOBLES PUBLIC SCHOOLS
SPECIAL BOARD OF EDUCATION OPEN MEETING
MINUTES FOR JULY 22, 2013
7:00 P.M.**

1. Board President, Bonnie Miller, opened the Special Board of Education Open Meeting at 7:00 P.M. in the Middle/High School Library.
2. Attendance
 - a. Board Members Present
Bonnie Miller
Dan Wahmhoff
Gary Napp
Paula Sipes
 - b. Board Members Late Arrival
Terry Doyle
 - c. Board Members Absent
Mitch Smith
Brian Beam
 - d. Staff Members Present
Jeff Rehlander, Superintendent
 - e. Others Present
Visitors - 0
Press - 0
3. Mr. Wahmhoff moved, supported by Mr. Napp, to approve the Agenda as presented. Roll call vote:
AYES: Napp, Wahmhoff, Miller, Sipes
NAYS: None
ABSENT: Doyle, Smith, Beam
ABSTAINED: None
The motion was declared adopted.
4. Correspondence.
 - Mr. Rehlander shared with the Board pictures of the booth we had set up at the Van Buren County Youth Fair and the brochure he passed along to people promoting our school. He thanked Jodi Winne for getting together items to set up the booth. He thanked Jim Wiseley for getting the brochure together in time for the fair. He thanked Brian Beam, Brittany Duchesneau and a couple of her cheerleaders, and a couple of our football players for the time they spent at the booth in support of Gobles Public Schools. He met a lot of people and felt the time spent there was very worthwhile.
 - Mr. Rehlander gave the Board an information sheet from the Michigan Department of Education snapshotting non-resident status for schools

in Van Buren County. Mr. Wahmhoff questioned the numbers and Mr. Rehlander said he would check to confirm what the numbers represent. (The numbers from the Michigan Department of Education represent non-resident students that came into each district during the 2012-2013 school year only).

- Mr. Rehlander and the Board reviewed an information sheet listing students who left Gobles Public Schools in the 2012-13 school year. Board members agreed to call the parents to see if they could get a reason why they left the district and to see if there was anything we could do to bring them back. They will share their information at the next Board meeting.
- Included in the Board packet was a grievance letter from Becky Drayton regarding the leave bank that Mr. Rehlander shared with the Board.

5. The meeting was opened to the public for non-agenda items. There was no public.
6. Mr. Doyle moved, supported by Mr. Napp, to table the Food Service Director Agreement until the August meeting. Roll call vote:
AYES: Doyle, Wahmhoff, Napp, Miller, Sipes
NAYS: None
ABSENT: Smith, Beam
ABSTAINED: None
The motion was declared adopted.
7. Mr. Rehlander reviewed with the Board the suggested Facility/Technology 2 mills/\$7.1 million project specifics prepared by administrators. Mr. Rehlander shared with the Board information that he received from Stauder Barch informing him that there was a .75 interest rate increase on municipal bonds. The total amount of money we have to spend if we stay at 2 mills will be down by \$500,000 changing the project total to \$6,440,000. We will have meetings with a steering committee to review the specifics and come up with a final plan. No action was necessary.
8. Mr. Rehlander and the Board reviewed a list of possible Steering Committee members that he had been given by staff members. They will work on finalizing the list.

9. Mr. Wahmhoff moved, supported by Mr. Doyle, to approve administrators to move forward with the Building Facilities/Technology Project and to give the Superintendent/Committee permission to interview and select professional service providers needed for the project. The project total will be up to, but not to exceed 2 mills and will involve the steering committee. Roll call vote:
AYES: Napp, Wahmhoff, Doyle, Miller, Sipes
NAYS: None
ABSENT: Smith, Beam
ABSTAINED: None
The motion was declared adopted.

10. Mr. Wahmhoff moved, supported by Mrs. Sipes, to approve the resolution for the district's participation in the School Bond Loan Program, as presented. Roll call vote:
AYES: Wahmhoff, Miller, Sipes, Napp, Doyle
NAYS: None
ABSENT: Smith, Beam
ABSTAINED: None
The motion was declared adopted.

11. Mrs. Sipes moved, supported by Mr. Doyle, to adjourn the meeting. The motion was declared adopted.

12. The meeting adjourned at 8:57 p.m.

Paula Sipes, Secretary