

**GOBLES PUBLIC SCHOOLS
SPECIAL BOARD OF EDUCATION OPEN MEETING
MINUTES FOR NOVEMBER 25, 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
Brian Beam
Paula Sipes
Terry Doyle

 - b. Board Members Absent
Mitch Smith

 - c. Staff Members Present
Jeff Rehlander, Superintendent
Terry Breen, Elem.Prin., Food Service Supervisor, District Grants/Reports
Damian Koob, Director of Technology/Data Management

 - d. Others Present
Visitors – 3
Steering Committee Members - 15
Press - 0

3. Mr. Beam moved, supported by Mr. Napp, to approve the Agenda as presented. Roll call vote:
AYES: Beam, Miller, Sipes, Wahmhoff, Doyle, Napp
NAYS: None
ABSENT: Smith
ABSTAINED: None
The motion was declared adopted.

4. The meeting was opened to the public for non-agenda items. Mr. Doyle apologized to the public and especially the Board president for offending her at the last Board meeting. It was not intentional.

5. Steering Committee Presentation to the Board. Mr. Tommie Saylor began by having Steering Committee members stand for the Board to acknowledge. He reported to the Board that members of the Steering Committee met for the first time October 9, 2013 with the selected professional groups: Tower Pinkster, Architect; Skillman, Construction Manager; Secant, Technology Consultant and Stauder Barch, Financial Adviser. They reviewed the assessments that the professional groups made for us last spring. After taking the information from the professional groups, it was clear there was a significant disconnect between needs vs. funding. The committee worked on prioritizing, with input from administration and the professional services consultants. Mr. Saylor reviewed the prioritization approach with the Board.

Mr. Clark Clement spoke to the Board about establishing funding goals, including developing a long term plan, addressing current “critical” needs, addressing future on-going needs, the importance of complying with existing rules, providing future flexibility, maintaining funding capacity and minimizing funding costs. He informed the Board of several funding Options that were available and explained the pros and cons of each. He went over many funding constraints that we need to keep in mind when making recommendations.

After Mr. Saylor and Mr. Clement completed reviewing the plan, the goals associated with the plan, the options that we see available to us and if correct the constraints that we face, Mr. Rick Beam reviewed numbers with the Board. The steering committee had \$17.8 million worth of projects to prioritize and lots of funding options. Their task was to develop a funding plan. He reviewed the funding plan recommendation for Phase 1A and Phase 1B and answered Board questions.

Mrs. Susan Dalton Akers concluded the presentation by giving the Board a funding recap beginning with the Short-term Action: Phase 1a 2014 Bond Election and Phase 1b 2016 Sinking Fund Election along with Phase 2: Long Term Funding - Example of Future Bond Election and Extend Sinking Fund.

Mr. Saylor highlighted some positive points of the plan. He explained by doing this in a series provides flexibility, it allows the district to keep technology up to date for the next 15 years and the plan also involves a methodology for time to resolve other infrastructural needs.

Mr. Brian Beam clarified that the Board would vote on the plan at the regular December Board meeting and in January the plan would go to the state for approval. The end of January the Steering committee will reconvene to move forward with a marketing plan.

6. Mr. Beam moved, supported by Mr. Wahmhoff to adjourn the meeting. The motion was declared adopted.
7. The meeting adjourned at 9:12 p.m.

Paula Sipes, Secretary