

GRESHAM-BARLOW SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 10 JT.
Minutes of Regular Board Meeting / Work Session

October 20, 2016

The Gresham-Barlow School District Board of Education held a work session on Thursday, October 20, 2016, in the Partnership Room at the Center for Advanced Learning, 1484 NW Civic Drive, Gresham, Oregon.

The meeting was called to order at 6:10 p.m. by the chair, Carla Piluso. Other board members in attendance were Matt O'Connell, Sharon Garner, Kris Howatt, Kathy Ruthruff, Kent Zook, and John Hartsock.

The following members of the superintendent's cabinet were present:

Jim Schlachter.....	Superintendent
Teresa Ketelsen.....	Deputy Superintendent of Teaching and Learning
Mike Schofield.....	Chief Financial Officer
Randy Bryant.....	Executive Director of Human Resources
Julie Evans.....	Executive Director of Elementary Education
John Koch.....	Executive Director of Student Support Services
Athena Vadnais.....	Director of Communications and Community Engagement

The following members of the superintendent's cabinet were absent:

James Hiu.....	Deputy Superintendent of Secondary Education and Operations
Sara Huston.....	Executive Director of School Performance

Guests included:

Bruce Schmidt.....	Principal, Sam Barlow High School
Michael Schaefer.....	Principal, Gresham High School
Ryan Blaszak.....	Principal, Springwater Trail High School

POLICY REVIEW: IKF, GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS (6:11 p.m.)

Teresa Ketelsen presented proposed revisions for Policy IKF, Graduation Requirements, and the related administrative regulation, IKF-AR. She explained that the following changes are being recommended to align district requirements to the State's graduation requirements:

- English Language Learner students who meet specific criteria may complete Essential Skills work samples in their language of origin through the end of their high school education.
- A World Language credit would no longer be required.
- The total credits would be reduced from 25 to 24.
- Students would no longer be required to produce a portfolio of evidence.

If approved, these changes will be implemented with the class of 2017.

Principals Ryan Blaszak, Michael Schaefer, and Bruce Schmidt participated in the presentation and responded to questions of the board.

The revised policy will be presented for second reading and adoption at a subsequent meeting.

RECESS / RECONVENE (6:47 p.m.)

The board recessed at 6:47 p.m. Principals Schmidt, Schaefer, and Blaszak left the meeting at this time.

The meeting was reconvened at 6:52 p.m.

POLICY REVIEW (6:52 p.m.)

Teresa Ketelsen led a review of proposed updates to the following policies:

Policy Code	Policy Title
BCB	Board Officers
BDDC	Board Meeting Agenda
EEBB	Use of Private Vehicles for District Business
IICA	Field Trips and Special Events
IGDF	Student Fund-Raising Activities
JG	Student Discipline
JHCD/JHCDA	Prescription and Nonprescription Medication

During discussion of Policy IICA, it was noted that board approval of out-of-state travel is not required by statute, which is the reason for the recommendation to delete this process from the policy. However, board members expressed an interest in receiving annual summaries of out-of-state travel, especially as it relates to student time away from school.

These policy revisions will be presented for second reading and adoption at a subsequent meeting.

COPIER HARDWARE, SOFTWARE, AND MAINTENANCE (7:06 p.m.)

Mike Schofield summarized results of research completed by Optimizon, a company the district contracted with to evaluate copier hardware, software, and maintenance needs throughout the district. He explained that Optimizon has identified potential savings, and recommended equipment and software for the district's consideration.

The administration will test the equipment and software recommended by Optimizon, and present the findings and a recommendation for board consideration at a subsequent meeting.

DISTRICT GOALS – STEP 2 (7:19 p.m.)

Superintendent Schlachter summarized work being done to continue the development of high-leverage goals that align with the district's mission and vision. He explained that Step 1 involved a discussion at the board's August work session of the five-year targets that outline intended outcomes in the seven areas that define the district's vision.

As Step 2 of the process, board members were asked to divide into three work groups to discuss the five-year targets, and focus on those areas identified for continued consideration by the board at the August work session. Each group charted the results of their discussions on easel pads, and reported their findings to the group as a whole. (Photocopies of the easel pad notes have been filed with these minutes.)

Step 3 has been scheduled for discussion at a winter work session, possibly in January.

RECESS / RECONVENE (8:05 p.m.)

The board recessed at 8:05 p.m. Cabinet members were excused at this time. Director O'Connell also left the meeting.

The meeting reconvened at 8:10 p.m.

BOARD LEADERSHIP TRAINING (8:10 p.m.)

Superintendent Schlachter introduced a plan to invite prospective board candidates to informational meetings regarding board member roles and responsibilities, and school district information integral to the work of the board. The plan was modeled after suggestions provided at a National School Boards Association conference.

Four Gresham-Barlow school board positions will expire at the end of this school year. To date, approximately 13 people have expressed an interest in running for a vacancy.

MISCELLANEOUS (8:16 p.m.)

Miscellaneous items included the following:

- Sharon Garner cannot attend the December 13 Gresham-Barlow Education Foundation board meeting. It was decided that other school board members will review their schedules to determine if someone can attend the meeting in her absence.
- There will be a tailgate pizza social, compliments of Sodexo, at 6 p.m. on October 21, 2016. It will be held at the east end zone at Gresham High School prior to the GHS vs SBHS football game.
- The Gresham vs Sam Barlow water polo game will be held at Gresham High School on October 27, 2016. The District Advisory Council (DAC) meeting will follow at 7 p.m.

There was also mention of a newspaper article regarding graduation rates, and an update regarding activities of the YES for Student Success political action committee.

ANNOUNCEMENTS (8:34 p.m.)

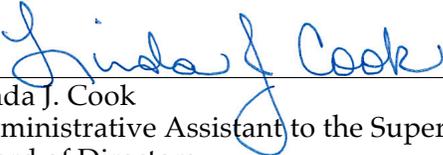
Oct. 27, 2016: DAC Meeting - 7 p.m.
Gresham High School
Board Representatives: John Hartsock and Sharon Garner

Nov. 3, 2016: Regular Board Work Session - 6 p.m.
Council Chambers Conference Room
Public Safety and Schools Building

Nov. 3, 2016: Regular Board Business Meeting - 7 p.m.
Council Chambers
Public Safety and Schools Building

ADJOURNMENT (8:35 p.m.)

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Submitted by: 
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Board of Directors

Note: These minutes were approved by the board on November 3, 2016, as presented. lc