

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

January 18, 2018

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The Gresham-Barlow School District Board of Education held a regular work session on Thursday, January 18, 2018, in the Partnership Room at the Center for Advanced Learning, 1484 NW Civic Drive, Gresham, Oregon.

The meeting was called to order at 6:16 p.m. by the chair, Kris Howatt. Other board members in attendance were Sharon Garner, John Hartsock, Matt O’Connell, Blake Petersen, Carla Piluso, and Kathy Ruthruff.

The following members of the superintendent’s district leadership team were present:

A. Katrise Perera	Superintendent
James Hiu	Deputy Superintendent of Human Resources
Teresa Ketelsen	Deputy Superintendent of Teaching and Learning
Mike Schofield	Chief Financial Officer
Julie Evans	Executive Director of Elementary Education
Sara Hahn-Huston	Executive Director of Secondary Teaching and Learning
John Koch	Executive Director of Student Support Services
Athena Vadnais	Director of Communications and Community Engagement
Angie Kautz	Director of Elementary Teaching and Learning
April Olson	Director of Federal Programs

Sean Spellecy of New Dawn Security was also present.

**MOTION 67 MEETING AGENDA (6:16 p.m.)**

It was moved by Kathy Ruthruff and seconded by Sharon Garner to approve the meeting agenda. Chair Howatt moved agenda item numbers 4, Bond Facility Safety and Security Update, and 7, Board Meeting Safety Assessment, to the top of the agenda to accommodate the guest presenter in attendance. The motion carried unanimously, 7 to 0, to approve the meeting agenda as amended.

**MOTION 68 BOND: SAM BARLOW HIGH SCHOOL CTE ROOF REPLACEMENT (6:17 p.m.)**

As part of the 2016 capital construction bond, the administration issued an invitation to bid to replace the Career Technical Education (CTE) section of roofing at Sam Barlow High School. The project was advertised in December and five bids were received.

It was moved by Blake Petersen, seconded by Matt O’Connell, and carried unanimously, 7 to 0, to approve McDonald & Wettle Roofing as the lowest responsible bidder pending successful contract negotiations at a base bid amount not to exceed \$345,000 and authorize the administration to spend an additional \$30,000 in repair if required.

**BOND: FACILITY SAFETY AND SECURITY UPDATE** (6:21 p.m.)

A critical component of the 2016 capital improvement bond is increasing student, staff, and community safety and security in district facilities. Last fall, the administration began working with New Dawn Security to provide an assessment of current conditions at district schools as well as suggested improvements.

Sean Spellacy of New Dawn Security provided a risk assessment presentation and updated the board on safety and security at district schools. Further discussion of this topic followed his presentation.

**BOARD MEETING SAFETY ASSESSMENT** (6:46 p.m.)

At a prior board meeting, the administration was asked to conduct a safety assessment of board business meetings. The administration asked Sean Spellacy of New Dawn Security to attend a board business meeting to provide input on improving safety and security at board business meetings.

Mr. Spellacy shared thoughts, comments, and recommendations on how to improve safety and security at board business meetings. He suggested taking time each month to work through a safety and security scenario. Following his comments, there was further discussion on this topic.

**E-LEARNING RESOURCES AND DIGITAL CONTENT** (6:56 p.m.)

There is a significant increase in the use of technology as an educational tool in the Gresham-Barlow School District. As teachers and students evolve in their utilization of educational technology and digital resources, the Teaching and Learning and Technology Services departments are collaborating to develop and refine systems and processes to ensure students a safe digital learning environment.

Angie Kautz provided the board with information on the work being done to address the complex issues of student safety and privacy in the digital environment. This included the process teachers must follow to have an e-learning resource approved for use in the classroom. Further discussion followed her presentation.

**P-3 PROJECT GRANT OPPORTUNITY** (7:18 p.m.)

April Olson provided an update to the board on the P-3 Schools Project and application status. This project aligns early learning at grades K through 3 by connecting families to schools before kindergarten. The district, in partnership with Early Learning Multnomah (ELM) and the Multnomah County SUN Service System, had the opportunity to apply for the P-3 Grant. The application was submitted before winter break. Ms. Olson noted that they are waiting to hear back if they have been awarded the grant.

**TEACHING, EMPOWERING, LEADING AND LEARNING (TELL) SURVEY**  
(7:23 p.m.)

Teresa Ketelsen provided information on the Teaching, Empowering, Leading, and Learning (TELL) Survey. This survey is offered every other year to educators across the state of Oregon. It will be offered again in February 2018. The survey

allows educators to provide input on policy and practices that drive school achievement. Other areas of input include teaching conditions, how time is used during the day, effectiveness of school and teacher leadership, facilities and resources, professional learning, etc.

Each school in the district is setting aside time during a staff meeting or professional learning time for teachers to complete the survey.

**BACKPACK FULL OF CASH FILM SCREENING** (7:27 p.m.)

Backpack Full of Cash is a feature-length documentary that explores the growing privatization of public schools and the resulting impact on children.

The district is researching the possibility of hosting a screening for this documentary. Chair Howatt provided logistical information, including the cost, if the documentary were to be shown at the Mt. Hood Theatre. Following Chair Howatt's remarks, there was further discussion of the topic.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION** (7:39 p.m.)

The board recessed into executive session at 7:39 p.m. to review and evaluate employment-related performance of the superintendent pursuant to ORS 192.660 (2)(i). The regular work session was reconvened at 8:32 p.m.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS** (8:32p.m.)

Jan. 25, 2018: No Board Meeting  
OASE/COSA Winter Conference

Feb. 1, 2018: Board Work Session - 6 p.m. - CANCELLED  
Council Chambers Conference Room  
Public Safety and Schools Building

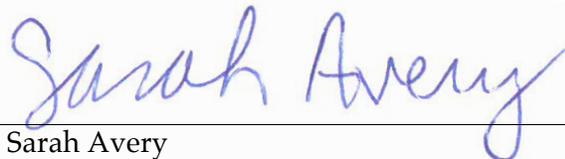
Feb. 1, 2018: Board Business Meeting - 7 p.m.  
Council Chambers  
Public Safety and Schools Building

Feb. 9, 2018: Board Planning Retreat – 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.  
Springwater Trail Conference Room  
Gresham City Hall

**ADJOURNMENT** (8:35 p.m.)

There being no further business, the work session was adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Submitted by: \_\_\_\_\_



Sarah Avery  
Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent and  
Board of Directors

Note: These minutes were approved by the board on February 1, 2018:sa