

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

December 7, 2017

The Gresham-Barlow School District Board of Education met in regular session on Thursday, December 7, 2017, in the council chambers of the Public Safety and Schools building, 1331 NW Eastman Parkway, Gresham, Oregon.

The meeting was called to order at 6:59 p.m. by the chair, Kris Howatt. Other board members in attendance were John Hartsock, Matt O’Connell, Blake Petersen, and Carla Piluso. Sharon Garner and Kathy Ruthruff were absent. A quorum was present.

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

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
Bill DeWitz	Director of Technology Services
Karina Bruzzese	ELL Director

Eagle scouts in attendance for the recognitions portion of the agenda led board members, administrators and all those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Note: All handouts provided at this session have been uploaded to the School Board page on the district’s web site: www.gresham.k12.or.us. Copies are also on file at the district office.

MOTION 50 MEETING AGENDA (7:00 p.m.)

It was moved by John Hartsock, seconded by Matt O’Connell and carried 5 to 0 to approve the meeting agenda as presented.

MOTION 51 CONSENT AGENDA (7:00 p.m.)

The following items were included on the consent agenda:

- Minutes from Regular Work Session October 5, 2017
Minutes from Regular Work Session November 2, 2017
Minutes from Regular Business Meeting November 2, 2017
Minutes from Special Work Session November 16, 2017
Minutes from Regular Work Session November 30, 2017
- Financial Report
- Personnel Changes
- Policy Updates

Item number 2, Financial Report, was removed from the consent agenda and included with discussion item number XVII, District Leadership Team Reports, for further information and approval.

It was moved by Blake Petersen, seconded by John Hartsock and carried unanimously, 5 to 0, to approve the consent agenda as amended.

RECOGNITIONS (7:01 p.m.)

Eagle Scouts Recognition – Gresham-Barlow School District Students: The Gresham-Barlow School District Board of Directors recognized three students in attendance who have attained the rank of Eagle Scout. The following students were recognized for their dedication and commitment to achieve scouting's highest rank of Eagle.

- Logan Blaney** – Sam Barlow High School, Senior
- Jake Byrne** – Sam Barlow High School, Freshman
- Elway Simpson** – Gresham High School, Senior
- Aaron W. Haage** (absent) – Metro East Web Academy, Junior
- Matthew J. Merritt** (absent) – Sam Barlow High School, Senior
- Nicholas Wagner** (absent) – Metro East Web Academy, Senior
- Dylan Walsh** (absent) – Sam Barlow High School, Junior

Superintendent Perera High School Jersey Number Retired: The meeting was recessed at 7:05 to recognize Superintendent Perera's achievement of having her high school basketball jersey retired and to share refreshments.

The meeting was reconvened at 7:16 p.m.

GRESHAM-BARLOW EDUCATION FOUNDATION REPORT (7:16 p.m.)

Foundation reports are typically presented every-other-month. Accordingly, there was no Foundation report this month.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT (7:17 p.m.)

Superintendent Perera reported on the key communicator sessions she has held and expressed she has been pleased with the turnout and feedback received.

She attended the COSA Law Conference last week, which was informational. Superintendent Perera shared that next week there would be a consultant in the district working with the special education team to evaluate current processes

She also thanked the team and Association for the work they did to complete the GBEA contract.

PRESENTATIONS (7:19 p.m.)

Gresham Arthur Academy Annual Report: Principal Kandace Burton and Stephanie Walker provided an annual report in accordance with ORS 338.095(2). The report included, among other things, information regarding their school demographics, stairway to mastery, daily assessments, and ability-based grouping.

Their demographics include 39% economically disadvantaged. They have a waiting list of 127 at the kindergarten level, that tapers off to a 5th grade waiting list of 20.

School District Collaboration Grant:

The district is in the second year of the School District Collaboration Grant awarded by the Oregon Department of Education (ODE). Teresa Ketelsen introduced the grant managers, Mark Kim and Regina Norris, who shared highlights of the work completed as well as plans for the future.

The grant offers various pilots with change ideas implemented on a smaller scale, measured, and adjusted if necessary to be implemented on a larger scale at a later date. They are gathering data on the positive impact of instructional leaders and coaches and looking at ways to enhance professional learning.

This year the compensation committee is focused on strategies for recruiting and retaining hard to fill and hard to retain positions. They are also looking at a compensation model that would allow educators to earn achievement units they could use to advance on the salary schedule instead of the traditional route of using college credits.

Following the presentation, there were questions from the board and further discussion.

COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES AND/OR REPORTS (7:41 p.m.)

The following committee meeting minutes were provided:

- Policy Review Committee Minutes of November 7, 2017
- Policy Review Committee Minutes of November 28, 2017
- Bond Oversight Committee Minutes, October 25, 2017
- Superintendent Evaluation Committee Minutes of November 7, 2017

ASSOCIATIONS REPORTS (7:42 p.m.)

Eric Nyberg, reported on behalf of the Gresham-Barlow Education Association (GBEA).

Judy Hardy, an educational assistant at Hogan Cedars Elementary School, reported on behalf of the Oregon School Employees Association (OSEA) Chapter 8 employees.

CITIZENS' REQUESTS OF THE BOARD (7:44 p.m.)

Scott Jones, the head track and field coach at Sam Barlow High School, expressed concerns regarding the stadium project at Sam Barlow High School and equity between the high schools in the district.

ACTION ITEMS

OSBA Resolution, Board of Directors Positions 17 and 18, and Legislative Policy Committee (LPC) Representatives (7:49 p.m.)

The Oregon School Boards Association (OSBA) referred a resolution to its member school boards for consideration this year. If approved, the resolution will reorganize the Oregon School Boards Association as a non-profit corporation and adopt the proposed 2017 bylaws.

In addition, in the Multnomah County region, there are two board of directors positions open, and member school boards are asked to vote on the candidates who have filed for those positions.

Member school boards have also been asked to vote on the three representative positions open for the Legislative Policy Committee.

MOTION 52 It was moved by Matt O'Connell, seconded by John Hartsock and carried 5 to 0 to approve the OSBA Resolution No. 1 which reorganizes the Oregon School Boards Association as a non-profit corporation and adopts the proposed 2017 bylaws.

MOTION 53 It was moved by Matt O'Connell and seconded by John Hartsock to elect Michelle Vo to the OSBA Board of Directors, Position 17.

MOTION 54 It was moved by Carla Piluso and seconded by Matt O'Connell to nominate Mary Botkin to the OSBA Board of Directors, Position 17.

Director O'Connell spoke in favor of the motion for Michelle Vo. Director Piluso spoke in favor of the nomination of Mary Botkin. A vote was taken for Michelle Vo with the outcome of 3 to 2. The vote did not carry the majority of the seven-member board. Chair Howatt asked for further discussion to make a final decision. The vote was taken again. Motion 53 to elect Michelle Vo to the OSBA Board of Directors, Position 17 carried 4 to 1. Motion 54 to nominate Mary Botkin to the OSBA Board of Directors, Position 17 failed 1 to 4.

A vote was held for Kris Howatt to maintain Position 18 on the OSBA Board of Directors. The vote carried 5 to 0 in favor of Chair Howatt maintaining Position 18.

A vote passed 5 to 0 in favor of supporting John Lindenthal of Reynolds School District for Position 17 of the Legislative Policy Committee (LPC).

MOTION 55 It was moved by Blake Petersen, seconded by Carla Piluso, and carried unanimously, 5 to 0, to elect Dave Carter to LPC Position 18.

MOTION 56 It was moved by Kris Howatt, seconded by Matt O'Connell, and carried unanimously, 5 to 0, to elect John Hartsock for LPC Position 19.

MOTION 57 **Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR)** (8:00 p.m.)

The Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) for 2016 – 2017 was presented for first reading at the November 2, 2017 Board meeting. It has been the board's practice to take formal action to accept the CAFR as presented by the auditors.

It was moved by Blake Petersen, seconded by Matt O'Connell and carried unanimously, 5 to 0, to accept the 2016 – 2017 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report.

MOTION 58 Item 2, Financial Report, was removed from the consent agenda. It was moved by Kris Howatt and seconded by John Hartsock to approve the financial report summary ending October 31, 2017.

Mr. Schofield provided highlights on the district's funding level, revenue, expenditures and reserve. An update on the PERS Board meeting and PERS advisory rates was also provided.

The motion to approve the financial report summary ending October 31, 2017 carried 5 to 0.

BOARD REPORTS AND REQUESTS (8:06 p.m.)

Board members summarized various meetings and other activities they participated in during the month. Reports included information on the East Metro Economic Alliance (EMEA) legislator's panel and scheduling golden shovel ceremonies for upcoming construction projects.

DISTRICT LEADERSHIP TEAM (DLT) REPORTS (8:09 p.m.)

Sara Hahn-Huston provided an update on the AVID program. Tara Boyko, the AVID Oregon Program Manager, visited the district this week. They visited school sites and looked at 62 different checkpoints covered in 9 different areas.

INFORMATION ITEMS

OSBA 2017 Annual Convention Report (8:11 p.m.)

Board members provided a summary of the sessions they attended at the OSBA 2017 Annual Convention in November. Topics included the following:

- Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA)
- Strengthening the board's relationship with the education foundation
- Measure 98 implementation
- Data driven environments
- Early warning systems
- A study on adverse childhood experiences
- Showing student participation
- Education and Industry

Advanced Placement / International Baccalaureate Cost Analysis (8:21 p.m.)

Sara Hahn-Huston provided cost analysis information for the Advanced Placement (AP) and International Baccalaureate (IB) programs. It included the number of exams taken, the total cost of exams over three years, subsidized finances from ODE, the total cost of exams for families, and discretionary budget items.

Following the presentation, there was additional discussion focused on the value of each program.

ANNOUNCEMENTS (8:38 p.m.)

Dec. 14, 2017: Board Work Session - 6 p.m.
Partnership Room
Center for Advanced Learning

Dec. 20, 2017 – Jan 2, 2018: Winter Break
No Board Meetings

Jan. 4, 2018: Board Work Session - 6 p.m.
Council Chambers Conference Room
Public Safety and Schools Building

Jan. 4, 2018: Board Business Meeting - 7 p.m.
Council Chambers
Public Safety and Schools Building

ADJOURNMENT (8:39 p.m.)

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:39 p.m.

Submitted by: 
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Board of Directors

Note: These minutes were approved by the board on January 4, 2018:sa