

MINUTES OF REGULAR SESSION OF GLADSTONE SCHOOL BOARD
SCHOOL DISTRICT #115, CLACKAMAS COUNTY
GLADSTONE, OREGON

March 8, 2017 Minutes

BOARD ATTENDANCE:

Sharon Soliday, Chair
Nicole Vera-Vera Couzens, Vice Chair
Rod Cole, Member
Kristin Eaton, Member
Jay Schmidt, Member
Bruce Wadsworth, Member

BOARD ABSENT:

Carlos Castañeda, Member

Bob Stewart, Superintendent
Natalie Weninger, Board Secretary

The regular meeting of the Gladstone School District Board of Directors was held in the School District Administration Office on Wednesday, March 8, 2017.

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER
Board Chair Sharon Soliday called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.
 - a. Flag Salute
Mr. Schmidt led the flag salute.
2. RECOGNITION OF STUDENTS/STAFF AND/OR PUBLIC
 - a. 100 Days of School – GHS
Patti Alexander, vice principal at Gladstone High School, introduced a video created by ASB students of the first 100 days of school.
 - b. JWE Student Work Display
The board took a few moments to acknowledge the art display from John Wetten Elementary.
3. DISCUSSION REPORTS
 - a. Homeless Student Update
Kelly Welch, director of special services, reported that the McKinney-Vento Act is a federal law guaranteeing all children and youth the right to an equal education, regardless of their living situation. Protection under the McKinney-Vento Act extends to those who lack a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence. Several students without fixed places of residence are served by the Gladstone School District. At the end of 2015-16, there were fifty-eight students identified as homeless in the District, similar to the previous years' count of fifty-three. At this time, there are thirty-eight students identified as homeless. Currently there are two students at GCCF, five at JWE, thirteen at WLK and eighteen at GHS. The majority of these students are doubled up with other families. A couple of students moved into our area and a couple are new to the state.

Supports and services depend on the situation. Kim Nomensen, counselor at Kraxberger, serves as district liaison for homeless children and families. Ms. Nomensen helps to identify homeless students and connects them to free lunch, transportation, school supplies and other resources including housing referrals and social/health services. Presently, transportation is provided only for kids in early childhood programs and Head Start. However, the county is working on this and hopes to have a better plan in place for the next year.

b. Annual GCCF CEO Meeting

Lennie Bjornsen, director of family services and supports updated the board on the recent Annual CEO meeting. The founders believed that the CEOs need to get together once a year and review the center's mission and direction. Bob Stewart chairs the meeting. This year performance numbers were reviewed and the meeting focused on next steps. The CEOs talked about their shared visions, professional development ideas between agencies in the building and meetings every other month to stay updated with changes in services and personnel. SPARK, a new rating system for child care agencies, could see the center being a hub for teaching professional development for the 200-plus child care agencies registered in our area. The committee discussed following kids who get services early at the center to find out if they are doing noticeably better than other students. Is it making a difference? Through staff collaboration they hope to develop performance measures. Mr. Bjornsen went over the three shared goals: healthy children, stable families, and kids ready for school success. The board thanked Mr. Bjornsen and Mr. Stewart for their work. The vision was that the center would become a research hub. There was a question regarding a college doing a study. Mr. Stewart said at one time it was considered. It would take a student working on a doctoral project. Board members understand the measurements are hard to define however the professional opportunities for families are exciting. Mr. Bjornsen hopes to go door to door this spring to talk with Pre-K providers.

c. Kindergarten Readiness Assessment

Carol Kemhus, director of GCCF, shared a diagram created by Brendan Thwing to help parents understand the 15 areas of executive functions to approach learning under the Oregon Assessment for Kindergarteners. These are the 15 areas that kids need to master so they are ready to learn. Each year on the first day of school assessments are done. Teachers use this data to help them understand the student's needs. In January a second review is done. If there are still areas of concerns in growth, teachers can work on those executive functions and help students be successful. At "March into Kindergarten," families will be given this diagram resource to help their children with the 15 areas. The diagram can be used as a check off list. The plan is to have academic parts on the reverse side, such as the alphabet and numbers.

4. ACTION ITEMS

a. Approval of Minutes

Ms. Eaton moved first and Mr. Cole seconded approval of the following resolution:

(17-23) BE IT RESOLVED, that the minutes of the following School Board meetings be and hereby are approved:
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(17-23) Motion passed 6-0. Mr. Castañeda was absent.

b. Approve GHS 2018 East Coast Trip

Gladstone High School has offered an educational opportunity to travel on the East Coast since 1976. The trip goes to the East Coast the week prior to and including the week of spring break in March. The proposed dates of travel will be March 17 through April 1, 2018. Patti Alexander, vice principal and Matt Misley, social studies teacher at GHS, will be coordinating the trip scheduled for 2018.

Patti Alexander, reported the students will miss five days of school and will be responsible for makeup of assignments. Arrangements will be made in advance with their teachers. The cost per individual for the trip will be determined as information is received. The last trip cost \$3,800 per student, which included airplane fare, motor coach tour transportation, food, and lodging. The participants will pay for the cost of substitute teachers.

The majority of the trip will be spent in six areas: Williamsburg, Washington DC, the Amish country of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, New York City and Boston. Students will tour historical sites such as Monticello, Gettysburg, Ellis Island, and the White House; will tour museums such as the Holocaust Museum and the Smithsonian Museums, and attend plays in New York City.

Mr. Cole moved first and Ms. Eaton seconded approval of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, Patti Alexander, vice principal, and Matt Misley, social studies teacher, at GHS, and the selected students and staff are requesting permission to participate in a trip to the east coast, and

WHEREAS, the school reaffirms its position of supporting curricular/co-curricular activities involving travel when they contribute to the achievement of desirable educational/social/cultural goals as cited in Policy IICA -- Field Trips and Special Events, therefore

(17-24) BE IT RESOLVED, that the Gladstone School District Board of Directors approves the travel of Patti Alexander, vice principal and Matt Misley, social studies teacher, at GHS, and the selected students and staff to the east coast, March 2018, as outlined in the superintendent's report.

(17-24) Motion passed 6-0. Mr. Castañeda was absent.

c. Approve Transportation RFP Award

The Transportation Request for Proposals (RFP) Committee consisting of Samantha Nelson, Jeremiah Patterson, Kelly Welch, Wendy Wilson, John Olson, Kevin Taylor, Tammy Tracy, Nicole Vera-Vera Couzens and Bruce Wadsworth met and reviewed two proposals. Two vendors submitted responses to the request, First Student, Inc., Vancouver, Washington and Student Transportation of America (STA), Goleta, California. Responses were evaluated according to the criteria stated in the RFP. The committee recommends the award be offered to First Student, Inc., Vancouver, Washington effective July 1, 2017 and expiring June 30, 2022 (five year contract). Tammy Tracy, director of transportation introduced Bobbi Richlick, local manager and Tucker Shea, area general manager from First Student. Mr. Shea thanked the district for their faith and

commitment. Gladstone School District will see a new fleet and cameras that record audio as well as video. Drivers are able to set markers on the feeds so that incidents can be easily found. Ms. Richlick will have added staff at the bus barn. In the fall parents will have access to First Acts a software program which allows parents to monitor their bus, receive email alerts such as late bus information and allows discipline incidents to be emailed to administrators. Mr. Shea said the Gladstone RFP process was very smooth. It was well laid out and quicker than most. Mrs. Tracy gave praise to Mrs. Nelson for preparing and administering the RFP. Mrs. Alexander gave kudos to Ms. Richlick for her help and patience.

Mr. Wadsworth moved first and Mr. Schmidt seconded approval of the following resolution:

(17-25) BE IT RESOLVED, that the Gladstone School District Board of Directors approves the award for Transportation Services to First Student, Inc., Vancouver, Washington effective July 1, 2017 and expiring June 30, 2022.

(17-25) Motion passed 6-0. Mr. Castañeda was absent.

d. Approve Requests for Resignation/Release from Contract

On March 2, 2017, John Simmons, 1.0 FTE Learning Specialist/Language Arts Teacher at GHS, submitted a letter of resignation, effective June 19, 2017.

Ms. Eaton moved first and Mr. Schmidt seconded approval of the following resolution:

(17-26) BE IT RESOLVED, that the Gladstone School District Board of Directors approves the resignation of John Simmons, 1.0 FTE Learning Specialist/Language Arts Teacher at GHS, and release him from contract, effective June 19, 2017.

(17-26) Motion passed 6-0. Mr. Castañeda was absent.

On March 3, 2017, Clinton Vallie, 0.50 FTE Math Teacher at GHS, submitted a letter of resignation, effective April 3, 2017.

Ms. Eaton moved first and Mr. Schmidt seconded approval of the following resolution:

(17-27) BE IT RESOLVED, that the Gladstone School District Board of Directors approves the resignation of Clinton Vallie, 0.50 FTE Math Teacher at GHS, and release him from contract, effective April 3, 2017.

(17-27) Motion passed 6-0. Mr. Castañeda was absent.

e. Acknowledge Termination of Contracts for Temporary Licensed Employees

The Gladstone School District employed the following licensed teachers on a temporary basis to fill vacancies left by teachers on leaves or leaving the District after the beginning of the school year.

The individuals on temporary contracts are:

Name	Position
Brandi Durkee	JWE, Intervention Specialist
Brandy Golston	KMS, Math Teacher
Olivia Mickola	District, Speech Pathologist
Kalen Olson	KMS, ESL/Spanish Teacher
Genaro Zamudio	KMS, PE Teacher

During the interview for employment, the teachers were informed that if selected for the position, employment would be limited to the 2016-2017 school year. The teachers were further informed that according to Oregon statute, in March 2017 their contracts would be recommended to the School Board for non-renewal.

Ms. Eaton moved first and Mr. Cole seconded approval of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, ORS 342.835 provides that a School District Board may non-renew the contract of a temporary teacher, and

WHEREAS, the aforementioned are temporary teachers in that they were employed to fill vacancies which occurred after the opening of the 2016-2017 school year, or due to an approved leave of absence, per ORS 342.815(9), and

WHEREAS, non-renewal of a temporary teacher does not preclude him/her from being hired in other teaching positions within the District for the 2017-2018 school year, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, the contract for the aforementioned teacher shall not be renewed for the 2017-2018 school year, therefore

(17-28) BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the School Board recognizes their contribution to the students of Gladstone School District and encourages them to apply for teaching positions as they come available in the District.

(17-28) Motion passed 6-0. Mr. Castañeda was absent.

- f. Approve Contracts for Probationary Licensed Employees
Renewal of probationary employee contracts does not guarantee employment for the 2017-18 school year. Budget reductions may require layoff provisions. Extension of Probationary 1 Contracts to Probationary 2 for 2017-18:

NAME
Jeremy Brown
Sean Cease
Cassia Griffin
Katherine Keating
Thomas Meyer

Kerry Nugent
Kala Ott
Heidi Sause
Jessica Smrkovsky
Naomi Stadel
Sarah Woods
Erika Wright

Extension of Probationary 2 Contracts to Probationary 3 for 2017-18

NAME
Seth Arnold
Mara Asmus
Kelsey Atkins
Patricia Banka
Gina Bartocci
Ashely Black
Benjamin Bruhn
Torrie Dowdy
Stacey Ellefson
Brian Johnson
Katie Kelso
Kari LoBue
Kelsey Ludeman
Cathy Mitchell
Alissa Moore
Emily Morse
Jacob Rondema
Rebecca Russell
Beth Taylor
Joshua Weir

Ms. Eaton moved first and Mr. Wadsworth seconded approval of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, ORS 342.835 provides that a School Board may renew the contract of a probationary employee, and

WHEREAS, each of the following individuals is currently a probationary employee of the Gladstone School District per ORS 342.835, therefore

(17-29) BE IT RESOLVED, that the aforementioned licensed probationary employees be offered a probationary contract, pursuant to ORS 342.805 through 342.934, for the July 1, 2017, to June 30, 2018, school year.

(17-29) Motion passed 6-0. Mr. Castañeda was absent.

- g. Approve Initial 2 Year Contract Teacher Contracts
 Extension of Probationary 3 to Initial “Contract” 2 Year Contract for 2017-18

NAME
Cody Aker
Siri Carlson
Audrey Delgado
Kerry Jeffrey
Michael Leone
Emmett Pearson
Stacy Shinault
Britta Sorenson
Deborah Welder
Casey Wendling

Ms. Eaton moved first and Mr. Schmidt seconded approval of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, ORS 342.835 provides that a School Board may renew the contract of a 3rd year probationary employee to “Contract” status on initial 2 year contract, and

WHEREAS, each of the following individuals is currently a probationary 3 employee of the Gladstone School District per ORS 342.835, therefore

(17-30) BE IT RESOLVED, that the aforementioned licensed 3rd year probationary employees be offered “Contract” status on an initial 2 year contract, pursuant to ORS 342.805 through 342.934, for the July 1, 2017, to June 30, 2018, school year.

(17-30) Motion passed 6-0. Mr. Castañeda was absent.

- h. Extend “Contract” Teacher Contracts
 In accordance with ORS 342.513, the School Board is called upon to extend contract teachers’ employment for a new two year term. By definition, “contract” teachers are those teachers who had been advanced to permanent status prior to the beginning of this school year, 2016-2017. The law requires that the School Board act to extend or not extend contracts by March 15, prior to the expiration of the individual contract. “Contract” teachers recommended for extension are:

NAME
Ashley Aldridge
Molly Tia Bellm
Heather Bigbee
Patricia Bisenius
Shannon Bohrer
Ryan Browning
Laura Budworth
Lori Chambers
Rebecca Chitkowski
Jeremy Clark
Jill Cone
Brad Crosby
Todd Dauenhauer

Diane Delters
Erinn Emmons
Katie Exum
Linda Fletcher
Julie Fox
Laura Fuller
Garland, Kristina
Kaitlyn Gillies
Debra Gorton
Allison Hart
Alicia Hess
David Hill
Rob Hill
Petra Hoghova
Kelly Jacobs
Jamie Jenson
Melinda Johnson
Michelle Keizer
Macie Kingsley
Brad Kuntz
Mary Lane
Shirley Loeffler
Barbara Lowther
Matthew Misley
Trey Mott
Wendy Mudd
Serena Mullen
Daniel Myers
Deanne Nelson
Tobin Nelson
Amy Nickolisen-Marlia
Kim Nomensen
Jessica Oransky
Amy Otto
Celeste Pellicci
Cathy Pheil
Lynnda Prom
Chris Rich
Kassy Rivas
Kristina Schuberg
Tracy Skowhede
Emily Smith
Christine Stephen
Megan Thomas
Lauren Thompson
Brenden Thwing
Elizabeth Watkins
Rebecca Waverly
Casey Webster
Gregory Wendling
Debra Wilkin
Molly Wilson
Danielle Winegar
Ted Yates
Karen Zerzan
Kevin Zerzan

Mr. Cole moved first and Ms. Eaton seconded approval of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, ORS 342.513 requires School Board approval to extend individual teacher contracts beyond the initial two years; and

WHEREAS, the law specifies that School Board action to extend individual teacher contracts occur by March 15, approximately fifteen months prior to the expiration of the individual contract; therefore

(17-31) BE IT RESOLVED, that the Gladstone School District Board of Directors extends the contracts of all aforementioned “contract” teachers through June 30, 2019, as recommended by the superintendent.

(17-31) Motion passed 6-0. Mr. Castañeda was absent.

i. Extend “Probationary” Administrator Contracts

The School Board is called upon to extend probationary administrator contracts for one year, the 2017-18 school year as follows:

Administrator	2017-18 Contract
Kevin Taylor	Probationary 2

Ms. Eaton moved first and Mr. Schmidt seconded approval of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, ORS 342.835 provides that a School Board may renew the contract of a probationary administrator, and

WHEREAS, the individual is currently probationary 1 employee of the Gladstone School District per ORS 342.835, therefore

(17-32) BE IT RESOLVED, that the aforementioned probationary administrator employee be offered a probationary 2 contract, pursuant to ORS 342.805 through 342.934, for the July 1, 2017, to June 30, 2018, school year.

(17-32) Motion passed 6-0. Mr. Castañeda was absent.

j. Extend “Contract” Administrator Contracts

The School Board is called upon to extend contracts for “contract” administrators at this meeting. The School Board will extend “Contract” administrators contracts for three years upon approval of the following resolution, whereas, the contract is extended through June 30, 2020. “Contract” administrators recommended for extension are:

Administrator
Patti Alexander
Jere Applebee
Lori Buchanan
Kelly Welch
Wendy Wilson

Ms. Eaton moved first and Mr. Cole seconded approval of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, School Board approval to extend individual administrator contracts beyond the initial three years; and

WHEREAS, the law specifies that school board action to extend individual administrator contracts occur by March 15, approximately fifteen months prior to the expiration of the individual contract; therefore

(17-33) BE IT RESOLVED, that the Gladstone School District Board of Directors extends the contract of “contract” administrator Patti Alexander, Jere Applebee, Lori Buchanan, Kelly Welch and Wendy Wilson through June 30, 2020, as recommended by the superintendent.

(17-33) Motion passed 6-0. Mr. Castañeda was absent.

5. INFORMATION FROM STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE

Student representative Megan Kuhn reported on matters of interest at Gladstone High School and on the status of her Girl Scout Gold Star Award. Miss Kuhn reported the drama department is presenting a musical version of A Mid-Summer Night’s Dream. The choir concert is tomorrow night. Boys’ basketball is in the playoffs and a rooter bus is scheduled. It already has 73 students signed up. Outdoor school counselor selection process begins next week. Sadie Hawkins Dance will have an 80’s workout theme and all proceeds will go to the Doernbecher’s Children’s Hospital. Elections for next year’s ASB class officers were held today. Miss Kuhn shared with the board her plans for the Distracted Driver Assembly next week. This assembly is part of her journey to obtain the Girl Scout Gold Star Award. She has three speakers coming. A friend who was in a coma for 8 days after being in an accident involving distracted driving. A mother from Washington who lost her daughter and is now working to change the law for tougher consequences for cell phone use while driving; and a trauma nurse from Emanuel Hospital. It is a 65 minute assembly next Tuesday, at 2:00 pm in the GHS Gym. There will also be a flash video/poem shared. She hopes to help students recognize they are not invincible. The board thank Miss Kuhn for her work. They gave her kudos for her leadership and the relationships she has built with all different kinds of students. The board invited Miss Kuhn to return and report on her award.

6. INFORMATION FROM ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF

Lennie Bjornsen, director of family supports, reported on what has been learned from the culture of care grant after the first year of three years. The focus has been on stabilizing and calming environments which help kids learn. At Kraxberger Middle School the early adolescent coordinator and wrap around services just started. The employee who works for NW Family Services works with Kim Nomensen and peer group work.

John Olson, principal at Kraxberger Middle School, reported the student council is working creating on a student store. There are over 30 students involved in drama. Outdoor school is getting geared up. Through Ultimate Frisbee and Jeremy Clark, Gladstone High School and Rob Hill, Kraxberger Middle School, brought ERIC to students. ERIC stands for Early Recognition is Critical, a cancer awareness program. Mr. Olson shared pictures from the event. Students got to play Frisbee and learn about sportsmanship, common cancer symptoms and the importance of early recognition. They hope to start an ultimate Frisbee club at Kraxberger. Senator Olsen visited Ms. Otto’s class

and invited them to see the senators in action at the capitol. Mr. Olson shared pictures from the field trip. The students were fabulous during the trip. Mrs. Keating put together Career Day on March 16. There will be 8 presenters. Each student will rotate through 3 sessions.

Carol Kemhus, director of the Gladstone Center for Children and Families reported to celebrate a 100 days of school, staff and students will dress up like they are 100 years old. Last week was Dr. Seuss Day. All students received a free book. Presently there is a reading challenge under way. Hearts are hung for books read. March into Kindergarten is March 14 and on March 21 kindergarten parents can meet their 1st grade principal. The board asked her to take pictures of the 100 day celebrations.

Kevin Taylor, principal at Gladstone High School, said last night was 8th grade orientation. There were 100 students with parent/guardians in attendance. Highlights included 9 tips on being a successful parent of a high school student. Clubs, sports and counselors were on hand for questions about classes and forecasting. OAKS testing and second rounds of mock interviews have been completed. There was positive feedback from volunteer interviewers and students. A number of students placed at the Clackamas Community College Skills Competition. Choir qualified for state and the Cheer Team is heading to nationals. Aiden Williams took first place at State in two para-swimming events. A Gladstone High School student was selected to receive the ACT6 Scholarship, a 4 year tuition paid, full ride scholarship. Mr. Stewart said that they are 310 applications, profiles are collected and narrowed down to 21 candidates. The candidates then spend the day on campus and have dinner with the dean. Six students are selected for the scholarship and the other receive a discount. Students have to be in need and almost all students are of color. Mrs. Keating helped our student through the process. The mark on the world the winners make is really great. Mr. Taylor said the boys' basketball team won at the buzzer and will continue in the playoffs. All freshman students will attend the career expo. During spring break students will be in Ontario for baseball, Klamath Falls for softball and in Peru for cultural experiences. April 3 is the beginning of the last trimester.

Jeremiah Patterson, assistant superintendent, reported that with the passing of Measure 98, he is meeting regularly with Mrs. Nelson, Mr. Taylor and Mr. Stewart to plan. Funds received cannot be spent below grade 9 and must be used in the biennium. They hope to receive \$400 per student. Curriculum adoption for both Science and Sex Education are under way. Publishers are behind and the State has just begun looking at approved textbooks lists for Sex Education. Mr. Patterson reported that the adoption may need to be deferred. He will continue to monitor the direction from the State regarding Erin's law. Next month teachers will present the science adoption recommendation. You will hear the synergy in the staff between grade levels and professional development.

Leslie Robinette, Communications Coordinator, announced a new communication video tool. The district will have additional ways to tell our stories through Facebook live, Adobe Spark and YouTube. At John Wetten today the Oregon Symphony's brass quintet performed and answered questions about their instruments.

7. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Mr. Stewart reported the Brass Quintet was very cool. Our kids asked great questions. He also attended orientation night at Gladstone High School. The counselors did a great job talking with students and their families. The counselors have a video on our website that shows families how to forecast for classes. It is nicely done. High school students did a fantastic job of talking about the different clubs and activities. Mr. Stewart went over the Gladstone School District voter results from each precinct this past election. There were just over 6,000 registered voters when the bond measure was passed. There are now over 8,000 registered voters.

- a. Financial Report
The financial report for the month of March 2017 was presented to the School Board. Mr. Stewart reported on behalf of Samantha Nelson, director of finance and operations, who was unavailable. Mr. Stewart asked board members to call or email any questions to Mrs. Nelson.
- b. Annual Pest Management Report
Annually, the District is to provide the Board with a summary of pest activity that has occurred within the District as part of the District's Integrated Pest Management Plan (IPM). Ted Yates, IPM Coordinator, gave an overview of the report. Mr. Yates said the philosophy is still the same. He continues to monitor the PH levels of the soil. Only two reports of ants this year. There is an owl nest at John Wetten. The nest is not very high up so he has put a fence around the area. The board thanked him for his report.
- c. Special Education Child Count
Kelly Welch, director of special services, showed the data in a newly organized format. The Oregon Department of Education requires that school districts report special education child count information on December 1 of each year. This annual child count has three specific purposes: reporting to the U.S. Department of Education, fiscal, and statistical. As of December 1, 2016 the Gladstone School District submitted 268 students eligible for special education on December 1. This represents 13% of our total student population. Gladstone is below state average. Dr. Welch went over the disability numbers and credited the RTI program in the reduction. However, in younger grades there are more kids with ADHD and emotional disturbances. Kids are really unregulated. She said that eligibility continues from early childhood but they continue to evaluate as they grow and monitor if it is a disability or a response to environment. The board thanked Dr. Welch for her report.
- d. 2017-2018 Calendar Drafts
The calendar committee consisting of Jeremiah Patterson, Patti Alexander, Tammy Tracy, Carol Kemhus, Kristine Garland, Heidi Smith, Jere Applebee, Linda Alberico, Wendy Mudd, John Olson, Shaun Southmayd, Celeste Pellicci, Becky Chitkowski, Michelle Keizer, Melissa Kuhn, and Natalie Weninger committee developed two calendar drafts. One which starts before Labor Day and one that starts after. The survey results were shared with the board. With over 500 responses the vote was 2 to 1 to start after Labor Day. North Clackamas and Oregon City School Districts are starting after Labor Day.

Ms. Eaton moved first and Mr. Schmidt seconded approval of the following resolution:

(17-34) BE IT RESOLVED, that the Gladstone School District Board of Directors approves the 2017-2018 School Calendar "A", with students starting after Labor Day, as presented at the March 8, 2017, School Board meeting.

(17-34) Motion passed 6-0. Mr. Castañeda was absent.
- e. Personnel – Information Only
Michael Brewster has been hired as a custodian at Gladstone High School.

8. PRESENTATIONS AND SUGGESTIONS FROM BOARD MEMBERS

a. Special Districts Elections 2017

Gladstone School Board has four (4) positions open for the May 16, 2017 Special District Election. Position 1, Nicole Vera-Vera Couzens, Position 2, Jay Schmidt, Position 6, Rod Cole and Position 7, Bruce Wadsworth expire June 30, 2017. Mr. Cole and Mr. Wadsworth announced last month they will not seek re-election. Clackamas County Website has information to file for candidacy. Last day to file is March 16 at 5:00 pm. Ms. Soliday has met with two interested candidates who said they would file, Amy Lowry and Greg Lind.

b. Board Work Session – Equity Training

Friday, March 10, 6:30 PM to 9:00 PM (Dinner at 6:00 PM) & Saturday, March 11, 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM. Ms. Soliday invited any board candidates who have filed for candidacy to join the board work session on equity.

Mr. Schmidt said he participated in the interview process for the Kraxberger principal position. The work done by the committee is a really deep dive. He is confident that the choice brought to the board will be the best candidate.

Mr. Wadsworth asked about additional changes to the school calendar for missed days due to inclement weather. Mr. Stewart said there will not be any additional changes.

Mr. Cole reported he volunteered at the food bank. Mrs. Schmidt schedules volunteers and does an amazing job. He was told it was a slow day however it was full and shoppers were consistent. He plans on volunteering again. Mr. Cole asked if an Owl Cam could be set up to watch the owl nest at John Wetten.

Mrs. Vera-Vera Couzens is on the interview committee for the Center's director position. The committee begins the process tomorrow.

Ms. Soliday gave kudos to the books on the bus program through the Gladstone Library Foundation and First Student. As a business owner who supports family leave she is testifying on March 23. Ms. Soliday hopes to see an insurance pool system similar to workers compensation.

9. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There was no public comment.

10. ADJOURNMENT

a. Board chair Sharon Soliday, adjourned the session at 8:45 pm.

ATTEST:

Sharon Soliday, Board Chair

Date

Bob Stewart, Superintendent

Date