

**August Agenda**  
**Regular Meeting of Trustees**

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of School District #35 has been scheduled for Monday, August 7, 2006 at 7:00 p.m. at the Gallatin Gateway School Classroom 106.

(All policies mentioned in the agenda can be found at [www.gallatingatewayschool.com](http://www.gallatingatewayschool.com).)

**Call to Order**

**Pledge of Allegiance**

Presiding Trustee's explanation of procedures to be followed for addressing the Board – (GGS Policy #1441)

**Public Comment- Non Agenda Items-** Public Comment- Sign in sheet- (GGS Policy #1441)

**Minutes**

July 10, 2006 (regular meeting) (GGS Policy #1420 & #1401)

July 12, 2006 (special committee meeting) (GGS Policy #1420 & #1401)

**Finance**

Warrants (GGS Policy # 7310 & #7326)

2006-2007 Final Budget Adoption--\$755,456.37 General Fund- Advertised July 30, 2006- (GGS Policy #1400 & #7110)

District Audit- FY 2003-2004 & FY 2004-2005

Disposal of District Records- School District Records Schedule No. 7 (GGS Policy #8410)

**Personnel**

Negotiations Report (GGS Policy #1130)

Hire- Certified Staff (GGS Policy #5120)

Hire-Classified Summer Help (GGS Policy #5120)

**Superintendent's Report**

**Old Business**

Hire- Volleyball Coach (GGS Policy #5120)

**New Business**

**\*Academics**

**\*Community & Public Relations**

2005-2006 Athletic Participation Summary (GGS Policy #3510)

Discretionary Nonresident Student Attendance Agreements (GGS Policy #3141)

MTSBA Workers' Compensation Agreement- (MCA 39-71-2101-39-71-2109)

2006 AHERA Re-Inspection and Amended Management Plan (GGS Policy #9350)

Appointments: Title X- Homeless Liaison-Liz McGoff      Title IX- Equal Opportunity- Liz McGoff

Title VI- Liz McGoff

504 Coordinator- Kim DeBruycker

Gallatin-Madison Cooperative Representative- Kim DeBruycker

ADA- Title II- Liz McGoff

Board Meetings- GGS Policy #1400- revision

**Adjournment**

**Regular Meeting, Board of Trustees, Gallatin Gateway School District #35**

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Open Session

**DATE:** August 7, 2006

**TIME:** 7:00 PM

**PLACE:** Gallatin Gateway School Classroom 106

**MEMBERS**

**PRESENT:** Erik Yager, Chair  
Jess Holloway, Vice Chair  
Alec Nisbet  
Nikki Robbins  
Cheryl Thiem

**MEMBERS**

**ABSENT:** None

**STAFF**

**PRESENT:** Kim DeBruycker, Superintendent; Carrie Fisher, Clerk, Mike Coon, Teacher; Debbi Clark, Teacher, Renae Myers, Teacher; and Tom Vanderbeck, Teacher.

**OTHERS**

**PRESENT:** Elizabeth Matthews and Ann Prescott

**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 7:06 p.m. by Board Chair Erik Yager.

Board Chair Erik Yager explained the public comment process to be followed for addressing the Board in accordance with Gallatin Gateway School Policy #1441. He stated that prior to a vote the public may comment on agenda items. There will be time for public comment on non-agenda items. Public comment periods are not intended to be a question and answer session and may not include discussions of performance, evaluations or anything that may infringe on any person's right to privacy.

**PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS**

Mr. Scott Vollmer informed the Board about the Montana Reading Institute that many of certified teaching staff, including himself, were attending during the week.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

A motion was made by Trustee Alec Nisbet to approve the minutes from July 10, 2006 (regular meeting) and July 12, 2006 (special committee meeting) with deletion of the word "food" on page 3, seventh paragraph, to read "... full year of service and a total inventory of \$500 or less." Vice Chair Jess Holloway seconded the motion. For: Holloway, Nisbet, Robbins, Thiem, and Yager. Opposed: none. Motion passed unanimously.

**FINANCE**

A motion was made by Trustee Alec Nisbet to approve warrants (#26164-26251- no voids). The motion was seconded by Trustee Cheryl Thiem. For: Holloway, Nisbet, Robbins, Thiem, and Yager. Opposed: none. Motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Vice Chair Jess Holloway to adopt the 2006-2207 budget as follows:

General Fund                    \$755,456.37

Transportation	\$77,000.00
Bus Depreciation	\$72,280.39
Tuition	\$721.00
Retirement	\$101,278.63
Adult Education	\$17,310.00
Technology	\$19,000.00
Flexibility	\$200.00
Debt Service	\$124,397.50
Building Reserve	\$15,000.00

The motion was seconded by Trustee Nikki Robbins. For: Holloway, Nisbet, Robbins, Thiem, and Yager. Opposed: none. Motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Ken Mosby updated the Board about the results of the April 2006 audit by Olness and Associates. He indicated that he is still waiting for information from Olness and Associates.

A motion was made by Trustee Cheryl Thiem to destroy District records, as presented (attached), in accordance with OPI Retention of Records, Schedule 7. The motion was seconded by Vice Chair Jess Holloway. For: Holloway, Nisbet, Robbins, Thiem, and Yager. Opposed: none. Motion passed unanimously.

## PERSONNEL

Board Chair Erik Yager provided the Board and community with an update regarding current certified contract negotiations. He noted that not a lot has changed and that no further meetings were scheduled. Mr. Yager also noted the process has been moved to mediation and all negotiations are starting over through mediation.

*Public Comment:* Ann Prescott urged the Board to give as much as possible to the teachers in the form of an increase in salary and recommended that they increase it, at a minimum, to where other rural schools are. She also recommended the Board offer teachers stipends for fundraising activities which she felt would help the school continue to build.

A motion was made by Trustee Cheryl Thiem to hire Elizabeth Matthews as certified teacher with a 1.0 FTE contract with an OPI intership for math and Spanish endorsements for the 2006-2007 school year, pending an acceptable background/fingerprinting check. The motion was seconded by Trustee Alec Nisbet. For: Holloway, Nisbet, Robbins, Thiem, and Yager. Opposed: none. Motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Vice Chair Jess Holloway to hire Leslie Kelly at \$10/hour with a maximum of 40 hours/week with contract ending August 25, 2006. The motion was seconded by Board Chair Erik Yager. For: Holloway, Nisbet, Robbins, Thiem, and Yager. Opposed: none. Motion passed unanimously.

## SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Ms. Kim DeBruycker discussed the following information with the Board: 1) Textbook/Calculator inventory- Mr. Vanderbeck and Alumni; 2) Schedules and Enrollment numbers; 3) Summer Letters to Parents; 4) Gym painting is complete; 5) Wellness ideas for staff; 6) Wellness Committee meeting August 17<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 pm; 7) Curriculum; 8) Cross Country; 9) Mentor Institute; 10) Boardsmanship- August 22, 2006 at 5:30 pm; 11) Montana Reading Institute; 12) Multi-age Workshop; 13) Summer Camps; 14) Adult Ed Report; 15) Newsletter; 16) Board Meeting Invitations to teachers/classrooms; 17) Emergency ANB Funding; and 18) 2<sup>nd</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup> Combination Class.

## OLD BUSINESS

A motion was made by Vice Chair Jess Holloway to hire Elizabeth Matthews as the 2006 Volleyball coach for a \$1200 stipend, pending an acceptable background/fingerprinting check. The motion was seconded by Trustee Cheryl Thiem. For: Holloway, Nisbet, Robbins, Thiem, and Yager. Opposed: none. Motion passed unanimously.

## COMMUNITY AND PUBLIC RELATIONS

The Board reviewed the 2005-2006 Athletic Participation Summary which stated:

Boys' Basketball (grades 4-8)	30 participants
Girls' Basketball (grades 4-8)	25 participants
Volleyball (grades 5-8)	14 participants
Wrestling (grades k-8)	24 participants
<u>Track &amp; Field (grades 4-8)</u>	<u>36 participants</u>
<b>Total:</b>	<b>129 participants</b>

The Board reviewed the Primary Care Clinic Year-End Summary of visits which totaled 166 during the 2005-2006 school year.

Six out-of-district attendance agreements for the 2006-2007 academic year were submitted:

<u>Grade</u>	<u>Home School District</u>	<u>Tuition Amount</u>	<u>Attendance Status</u>
5	Cottonwood	\$ 150.00	Current
K	Ophir	\$ 150.00	New
4	Bozeman	\$ 150.00	Current
7	Bozeman	\$ 0	Current
K	Bozeman	\$ 150.00	New
5	Bozeman	\$ 0	Current

Trustee Nikki Robbins made a motion to accept the out-of-district attendance agreements for four students from the Bozeman School District, one student from the Ophir School District and one student from the Cottonwood School District. Vice Chair Jess Holloway seconded the motion. For: Holloway, Nisbet, Robbins, Thiem, and Yager. Opposed: none. Motion passed unanimously.

Trustee Cheryl Thiem made a motion to adopt the MTSBA Workers' Compensation Agreement. Vice Chair Jess Holloway seconded the motion. For: Holloway, Nisbet, Robbins, Thiem, and Yager. Opposed: none. Motion passed unanimously.

The Board recognized the 2006 AHERA Re-Inspection and Amended Management Plan.

Vice Chair Jess Holloway made a motion to appoint the following positions:

Liz McGoff- Title X- Homeless Liason

Liz McGoff- Title VI

Liz McGoff- Title IX- Equal Opportunity

Liz McGoff- ADA- Title II

Kim DeBruycker- 504 Coordinator

Kim DeBruycker- Gallatin- Madison Cooperative Representative

Trustee Nikki Robbins seconded the motion. For: Holloway, Nisbet, Robbins, Thiem, and Yager. Opposed: none. Motion passed unanimously

The Board reviewed GGS Policy 1400- Board Meetings. No motion was made.

## ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Vice Chair Jess Holloway to adjourn the meeting. Trustee Alec Nisbet seconded the motion. For: Holloway, Nisbet, Robbins, Thiem, and Yager. Opposed: none. Motion passed unanimously.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:04 p.m.

Jess Holloway, Board Vice-Chair

Carrie Fisher, District Clerk