Minutes of CURRICULUM COMMITTEE The Board of Trustees Gull Lake Community Schools

A Curriculum Committee meeting of the Board of Trustees of Gull Lake Community Schools was held on Friday, September 12, 2025, beginning at 8:00 AM in the Christopher L. Rundle Administration Building.

Roll Call: Chair and Board Secretary Mini Paulose-Murphy, Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum & Instructional Technology Drew Bordner, Superintendent Christopher Rundle, Board Vice President Desiree LaDuke, Board President Carole Mendez

Guest: Bobbi Jo Stoner, GLHS Principal

1. Public Comments: None

2. Approve Draft Minutes: The June 13, 2025, minutes were approved.

3. Gateway Course Catalog 2025-2026

Assistant Superintendent Bordner presented updates to the 2025-2026 Gateway Course Catalog to the Committee; a brief overview was given. The Gateway Course Catalog will be presented to the Board for formal approval.

4. AP Psychology Curriculum Materials Purchase

The Committee approved the AP Psychology Curriculum in February 2025. Josh Cunningham requested the purchase of supplemental materials totaling \$866.42 to support the development of the course library and student research projects. The Committee reviewed the material purchase request and will present the request to the Board for formal approval.

5. Air Force Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps (AFJROTC) & Starbase UpdateTrustee Scott-Rhodes had previously provided an informal presentation about the AFJROTC and Starbase programs to the Committee in June.

Starbase is a Department of Defense (DOD) outreach program for 5th grade students with a focus on STEAM activities. This program operates out of the Battle Creek Air National Guard Base. Assistant Superintendent Bordner and Principal Woodrow are scheduled to visit the Battle Creek base in October to gather additional information about the Starbase program and explore how it might be integrated into Gull Lake's current educational offerings to align with the District's Project Lead the Way (PLTW) courses.

Assistant Superintendent Bordner provided an update on the AFJROTC program. The Committee engaged in a broad discussion covering potential integration strategies for AFJROTC, with a focus on opportunities at GLHS, Career Connect, KRESA, and dual enrollment. The integration of AFJROTC could provide students with expanded career pathway options and valuable skills. It was noted that district counselors receive training on military careers and education options, ensuring they are equipped to support students' interest in such pathways.

The Committee discussed whether this could potentially evolve into a county-wide initiative, club, or pilot program. The Committee agreed at the current time not to proceed with the AFJROTC program due to the costs/resources needed to start up the program in the District.

6. One Community One Book Update

Assistant Superintendent Bordner presented information on the One Community One Book to the Committee. The Planning Committee has selected two titles for students in grades Y5 through 8, centered around the theme of *Acceptance*. The Planning Committee appreciates the Gull Lake Community Schools Foundation (GLCSF) for its support in funding the purchase of the books for students, families, staff, and community members. The program is scheduled to launch in February 2026, at which time the selected titles will be formally introduced.

7. Next Meeting: October 10, 2025 @ 8:00 a.m.