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Date: May 14, 2020
To: PPS School Board
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Subject: Board Approval Letters and Board Resolution

BACKGROUND

- A. Federal requirements call for the Governing Board of Head Starts to approve recommendations and reports for the program.**
- B. The Board of Directors for Portland Public Schools serves as the Governing Board for PPS Head Start.**

1. Program Planning: Board Resolution Needed

Annually, the Head Start Parent Policy Council makes recommendations prior to the annual budget and submission of the Federal and State grant applications. Attached you will find the minutes from the planning meeting. Approved by the PPS Head Start Parent Policy Council on March 12, 2021.

2. Oregon PreK State Continuation Grant Application

Board approval is required to apply for continuation grant funds for Fiscal Year 2022. The amount is \$5,799,811. The Head Start Parent Policy Council approved PPS Head Start applying for these funds on May 14, 2021. Application is due June 1, 2021.

3. Federal Continuation Grant Application

Board approval is required to apply for continuation grant funds for Fiscal Year 2022. The amount is \$5,686,462. The Head Start Parent Policy Council approved PPS Head Start applying for these funds on May 14, 2021. Application is due August 1, 2021.

RELATED POLICIES/BEST PRACTICES

All items listed above are required to be reviewed, updated, and approved by the Parent Policy Council and Governing Board.

ANALYSIS OF SITUATION

All items listed above support the high quality, comprehensive wraparound services provided to the children and families attending PPS Head Start.

FISCAL IMPACT

1. Program planning helps determine Head Start funding priorities and guides funding decisions.
2. State and Federal funds are required to successfully operate PPS Head Start and the services provided to 760 children and families.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT (IF APPLICABLE)

PPS Head Start Parent Policy Council reviewed, provided input, and approved these actions/documents on March 12, 2021 and May 14, 2021 as noted above.

TIMELINE FOR IMPLEMENTATION / EVALUATION

The timeline for implementation will be the 2021-2022 school year.

BOARD OPTIONS WITH ANALYSIS

Board approval needed.

CONNECTION TO BOARD GOALS

The goal of PPS Head Start is to prepare the city’s most diverse and resilient young children for successful transitions to kindergarten and beyond by leveraging each child’s strengths, building their social competence, and developing school readiness skills.

Portland Public Schools' vision is this: Every student, every teacher, and every school succeeding. The school district's mission is that every student by name is prepared for college, career, and participation as an active community member, regardless of race, income, or zip code. The Board adopted the following four priorities for the 2018-19 school year to move the school district toward the above aspirations:

- Set a clear vision and strategic plan.
- Create equitable opportunities and outcomes for all students.
- Build management accountability systems and structures.
- Allocate budget, funding, and resources focused on improving outcomes for students.

All of the above items support the district’s and School Board’s vision and priorities.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Develop Board resolution and obtain signature approval of the Board Chair of the attached documents.

As a member of the PPS Executive Leadership Team, I have reviewed this staff report.

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ATTACHMENTS

- A. Policy Council Program Planning Budget Committee March 12, 2021 meeting minutes
- B. Budget Planning Board Resolution
- C. Board Signature of approval letter to apply for State OPK Continuation Grant funds

- D. Board Signature of approval letter to apply for Federal Continuation Grant funds
- E. PPS Head Start Parent Policy Council May 14, 2021 meeting minutes
- F. Signed Policy Council approval letters for both State and Federal applications