

## **RESOLUTION No. 6475**

### Board Zone Redistricting

#### **RECITALS**

- A. Following each decennial U.S. Census, all local governments are required to apply new demographic data to existing electoral boundaries, attempting to ensure that there is no more than a 10 percent deviation in population between the largest and smallest districts.
- B. For Portland Public Schools (PPS), this requires rebalancing board zones to have nearly equal population in each zone.
- C. Portland Public Schools board members run district-wide but must reside in one of seven defined electoral zones.
- D. Staff contracted with the Population Research Center (PRC) at Portland State University (PSU) to prepare two options for the board to consider. The PRC has prepared most analyses and recommendations for local governments.
- E. Two proposed plans were presented by the PRCat to the Elections Task Force on February 7, then to the full Board on February 22. The options considered were:
  - Plan A: "Preservation" - preserves as much of current boundaries as possible.
  - Plan B: "Realignment" - reconfigures zones along high school attendance zones and neighborhood boundaries.
- F. The Board discussed the plans at the February 22 Board meeting, and the elections task force held a further discussion at the February 28 task force meeting. The task force recommends Plan A.2.

#### **RESOLUTION**

The Board approves Plan "A.2", which creates "nearly equal population" among board zones, while attempting to minimize changes to existing board zone boundaries.

**Portland Public Schools  
Board Member Zones  
2020 Census Redistricting  
Proposal A.2**

— Freeways  
— Major Roads  
— Water Bodies  
**Board Member Zone**  
■ 1  
■ 2  
■ 3  
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★ PPS Board Members  
— Neighborhood Boundaries

