



## REGULAR MEETING OVERVIEW

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*The purpose of this document is to provide an overview of the reports to and actions taken by the School Board. In accordance with ORS 192.650, the District's official School Board Meeting Minutes are maintained via video recording and may be viewed at <https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PL8CC942A46270A16E>*

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Education came to order at 6:22 pm at the call of Board Chair Lowery. This meeting was held virtually due to Covid-19 and streamed live at: <https://www.youtube.com/user/ppskomms/videos>

### **Attendance**

Present: Board Chair Lowery; Directors Bailey, Brim-Edwards, DePass, Kohnstamm, Moore, Scott; Student Representative Shue; Superintendent Guerrero

Absent: None

### **Pre-meeting**

The virtual meeting opened for attendees to arrive at 5:50 pm. No deliberation or decisions were made prior to the start of the meeting.

### **Board Leadership Vote**

Time Started: 6:23 pm

#### Discussion

Chair Lowery read the board leadership policy. She stated that it was decided by the Board that a declaration of intent would be required to run for Chair or Vice-Chair. She noted that starting in the next election cycle, it would need to be received at the regular meeting before the vote. Director Lowery declared her intent to run for Board Chairperson. Director Bailey declared his intent to run for Board Vice-Chairperson. There were no other declarations and no discussion.

#### Actions

- Resolution 6248, the Election of Director Eilidh Lowery as Chairperson, was approved.
- Resolution 6249, the Election of Director Scott Bailey as Vice-Chairperson, was approved.

### **Consent Agenda Vote– Resolutions 6241 - 6247**

Time Started: 6:34 pm

#### Discussion

Director Kohnstamm requested to pull the Cedar Mills Contract Advanced Authorization from Resolution 6242. Director Brim-Edwards asked what would happen to the Grant murals once they had been removed. Dan Jung, Chief Operating Officer, shared that the murals would be carefully removed by a firm with specialized experience and stored to either be donated or sold.

#### Actions

- The Cedar Mills Contract Advanced Authorization was pulled from Resolution 6242 for independent consideration.

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- The Consent Agenda, including Resolution 6241 through 6247, except for the Cedar Mills Contract Advanced Authorization which was pulled from Resolution 6242, was approved.
- The Cedar Mills Contract Advanced Authorization, which was pulled from Resolution 6242 for independent consideration, was approved.

### **Student and Public Comment**

Time Started: 6:43 pm

#### **Students**

- Alex Groom – Concerns regarding hybrid instruction and Comprehensive Distance Learning
- Elliot Nopp – Students should be involved and compensated for participation in Climate Justice Curriculum development

#### **Public**

- Andy Jacob – Do not put Southeast Enrollment Balancing on hold
- Beth Cavanaugh – Continue with Southeast Enrollment Balancing
- Michael Bauer – Reinstate Athletic Director at Roosevelt
- Nadia Coronado – Ask for input regarding hybrid learning from black, indigenous, people of color and teachers
- Jessica Wyse – Science backs reopening schools in-person learning
- Eric Happel – Advocate for in-school learning 5 days a week

### **Student Representative's Report**

Time Started: 7:09 pm

Student Representative Shue shared that he and other District Student Council representatives met with students in leadership positions in Lake Oswego and Hillsboro, noting that they were the only neighboring schools that have student leadership.

### **Superintendent's Report**

Time Started: 7:12 pm

Superintendent Guerrero noted that contrary to the rumors, he is working and living in Portland. He shared ways that Black History Month was celebrated across the District. Dr. Luis Valentino, Chief Academic Officer, provided an overview of some of the Black History Month resources shared with teachers and administrators, noting that they are supports that are provided year-round, not only during Black History Month. A video was shown with student Ruby Phae Williams singing Lift Every Voice.

**Break: 7:28 – 7:36**

### **Resolution 6250 to Recognize Classified and Non-Represented Employee Appreciation Week March 1-5, 2021**

Time Started: 7:36 pm

Superintendent Guerrero stated that March 1-5, 2021 is Classified and Non-Represented Employee Appreciation Week. Sharon Reese read Resolution 6250. The Board shared appreciation for classified and non-represented employees.

#### **Actions Taken**

- Resolution 6250, to Recognize Classified and Non-Represented Employee Appreciation Week March 1-5, 2021 was approved

### **Board Committee and Conference Reports**

Time Started: 7:43 pm

- Audit Committee: A meeting of the Audit Committee will be held on February 24, 2021
- Bond Accountability Committee (BAC): The Board approved two new committee co-chairs.
- Community Budget Review Committee (CBRC): The committee met the new Chief Financial Officer (CFO) and is looking ahead to budget process and planning.
- Charter Committee: A Charter School Renewal Hearing was held. There were comments in support of renewal for both schools.
- Intergovernmental Committee: The committee approved sending a letter supporting public municipal broadband at the last meeting. The next meeting is scheduled for March 11, 2021.
- Policy Committee: At the meeting held on February 17, 2021, there was continued discussion on multiple policies, including the Climate Response Policy, Comprehensive Sexuality Policy, Student Assignment Policy. The Computer Usage Policy and Formal Complaint Policy will be discussed at the next meeting. A revised Real Estate Policy with revisions in response to public comment will be considered at the next committee meeting on March 08, 2021. Director Brim-Edwards provided an overview of the revisions. There was discussion regarding the language for early termination and lease terms.
- Rose Quarter: There are a couple of upcoming meetings.
- School Improvement Bond Committee: The next School Improvement Bond Committee meeting on March 04, 2021.

Chair Lowery shared that Director Moore has been selected to be part of the Council of Great City Schools (CGCS) governance coaching cohort and that Director DePass has been selected to Cohort Three, School Board Partners doing anti-racism work.

### **Madison High School Renaming**

Time Started: 7:57 pm

Superintendent Guerrero introduced the renaming of Madison High School, noting that he supports the suggested name. Dani Ledezma shared that the work of the Madison Renaming Committee was part of the pilot to shift towards a more equity-based renaming process. Principal Skyles shared that the Renaming Committee recommends the name Leodis V. McDaniel High School, named after a Madison Principal. He shared some notes on the process and values that went into the choice. Student Committee Members provided an overview of the selection principles and process, community outreach, the finalist candidates, and the final selection.

The Board provided feedback and asked questions of the process. Director Brim-Edwards read a letter in support from Connie Sealy, Madison class of 1987.

### **Actions Taken**

- Resolution 6251, Resolution to change the name of Madison High School, was approved.

### **Update: COVID, Hybrid and LIPI**

Time Started: 8:24 pm

Dr. Russel Brown highlighted the presentation topics and provided an overview of the guiding principles, current advisory metrics, and vaccination distribution. Dan Jung provided an overview of the health and safety measures that have been put into place. Dr. Brown provided an update on the K-5 student and family survey preferences. Board Members asked clarifying questions regarding the K-5 survey. Dr. Brown shared an overview of additional supports needed. Dr. Shawn Bird provided an overview of athletic opportunities. Dr. Sarah Davis provided an overview of district extra-curricular music opportunities. Dr. Bird provided an update on Limited In-Person Instruction (LIPI). He also introduced the hybrid plan for middle schools and high schools. A short video regarding concurrent/simulcast instruction was shown. The Board asked questions regarding simulcast instruction. Dr. Bird provided an overview of possible middle school schedule options, noting that they are in the process of collaborating with the teacher's union and that they will be surveying families. Board Members asked questions regarding the schedule options. Dr. Bird provided an overview of the possible High School schedule options. Board Directors asked questions regarding the high school schedule options. Marshall Haskins thanked district leadership

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for supporting student athletics. There was discussion regarding athletics, including the requirement of daily class attendance in order to play. Superintendent Guerrero shared a closing statement.

**BREAK 10:05 – 10:10 pm**

**Update: District Student Council (DSC) High School Student Survey**

Time Started: 10:11 pm

Student Representative Shue provided an update on the Reopening Schools Student Opinion survey given to High School Students. He noted that they received a significant increase in responses from previously unrepresented schools. He noted that the responses varied but that slightly more than half of the students who responded expressed some dissatisfaction with Comprehensive Distance Learning (CDL).

**Update: School Staffing Framework**

Time Started: 10:35 pm

Superintendent Guerrero provided an introduction to the school staffing framework. Dr. Shawn Bird provided an overview of the guiding principles. Claire Hertz summarized the budget timeline and budget takeaways, including current unknowns and staffing approaches for 2020-2021. Dr. Bird provided an overview of the increased investments in learning supports and opportunities and an overview of the general fund equity allocation. The Board asked questions and provided feedback.

**Items Pulled from the Consent Agenda**

Time: 11:01 pm

Director Kohnstamm asked questions regarding the Cedar Mills Advanced Authorization pulled from the Consent Agenda, including what the funds will be used for, whether the assets would be put to further use. Marina Cresswell shared that the 3.5 million dollars would be used for the construction of the building, which will be a permanent Portland Public Schools asset. Ms. Cresswell shared that it was a low bid contract where the price came in lower than what was initially planned.

Director Brim-Edwards asked whether there was still a plan to include enhanced health services for schools that do not have health centers. Brenda Martinek stated that the District is still in the planning process, but that they hope to have a plan in the next couple of months.

**Adjourn**

Chair Lowery adjourned the meeting at 11:05 pm.

The next Regular Meeting of the Board of Education is scheduled for March 09, 2021.

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