



REGULAR MEETING OVERVIEW

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 6:00 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/ppscomms/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 5:53 pm. No deliberation or decisions were made prior to the start of the meeting.

Resolution to Recognize May as Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month (Resolution 6304)

Time Started: 6:01 pm

Staff: Gretchen Schlag, Director of AVID and Direct Placement; Jamie Suehiro TOSA

Director Brim-Edwards introduced the Resolution. Staff provided an overview of some of the resources and supports that have provided to teacher, many created by teachers, to counter anti-Asian hate and support Asian students.

Actions Taken

Director Kohnstamm moved and Director Brim-Edwards seconded the motion to approve Resolution 6304, Resolution to Recognize May as Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month. The motion was put to a voice vote and passed (7-yes, 0-no), with Student Representative Shue voting yes (unofficial).

Resolution Affirming Support for the Albina Vision and Authorizing First Right of Offer (Resolution 6303)

Time Started: 6:17 pm

Staff: Jonathan Garcia, Chief of Staff

Superintendent Guerrero introduced the resolution, thanking the community partners who helped support and create the resolution. Director DePass noted the history of racism at Portland Public Schools and acknowledged the community leaders who have supported the education of black students. Multnomah County Commissioner Chair Deborah Kafoury and Commissioner Susheela Jayapal provided comments. Rukaiyah Adams provided comment on behalf of Albina Vision Trust. Senator Avel Gordly provided comment.

Actions Taken

Director Brim-Edwards moved and Director Bailey seconded the motion to approve Resolution 6303, Resolution Affirming Support for the Albina Vision and Authorizing First Right of Offer. The motion was put to a voice vote and passed (7-yes, 0-no), with student Representative Shue voting yes.

Public Comment in support of Resolution 6303

- Joyce Harris
- Kali Thorn-Ladd
- Michael Alexander

Consent Agenda

Time Started: 7:03

Staff: Dr. Luis Valentino, Chief Academic Officer

Director Brim-Edwards asked what feedback loops and systems of evaluation for effectiveness are in place for newly adopted curriculum. Staff provided an overview of the systems that are in place. Superintendent Guerrero noted that the processes will apply to all curriculum implementation going forward as well.

Actions Taken

Director Scott moved and Director Kohnstamm seconded the motion to approve the consent agenda, including Resolutions 6305 through 6312. The motion was put to a voice vote and passed (7-yes, 0-no), with Student Representative Shue voting yes (unofficial).

Public Comment

Time Started: 7:13 pm

Student Comment

- Amiya Leary-Sims – plastic use in school lunches
- Diane Christina Rax – plastic use in school lunches
- John Paul Ollaol – plastic use in school lunches
- Cylee Loggie – plastic use in school lunches
- Grace Blaschke – plastic use in school lunches

Public Comment

- Laurie Shonkwiler – plastic use in school lunches
- Edie Rogoway – Return to full-time learning next year
- Bryan Chu – Asian American Heritage Month and safety
- David Scholten – The health of our schools
- Pedro Anglada-Cordero – Access to clean potable water in schools

Break 8:00 - 8:05 pm

Superintendent's Report

Time Started: 8:05

Superintendent Guerrero provided reflection on the anniversary of the death of George Floyd and highlighted some of the work that the district is doing to disrupt racism and support students of color, noting that test scores for students have increased and there has been an increase in hired educators of color. He congratulated elected board members, the OnPoint K-5 educator of the year Lionel Clegg, and announced new administrators. He introduced new District and Family Liaison Jamaal Tibbs. Superintendent Guerrero highlighted summer planned programming. Mr. Tibbs introduced himself.

Board Committee and Conference Reports

Time Started: 8:31 pm

- Audit Committee: The committee received an update on the Health and Safety Audit.
- CBRC: Completed budget review then focused on increased state school fund budget of 9.6 instead of the 9.3 billion that is on the table.
- Charter Schools and Alternative Programs Committee: Committee Chair Amy Kohnstamm highlighted some of the challenges that Charter Schools and Alternative Programs face, and thanked the district for being responsible to Charter Schools and Alternative Program issues.
- Policy Committee: The Committee is has been wrapping up work. The next meeting will be Wednesday (6/02/21).
- School Improvement Bond Committee: The Committee held a meeting on Thursday (5/20/21) where they discussed business equity.

Convened as the Budget Committee

Time 8:37 pm

Chair Lowery adjourned the Regular Meeting and reconvened as the Budget Committee.

Budget Committee Approval of the 2021-22 Budget and the Imposition of Property Taxes (Resolution 6317)

Time 8:38 pm

Superintendent Guerrero introduced the budget, noting that they worked to reflect the unique current situation and anticipate the residual needs because of it, and aligns with the district's core values. Board Directors provided comment and asked questions. Dr. Omogbehin provided an overview of how title 1 funding is determined and noted specific supports for Markham ES.

Actions Taken

Director Bailey moved and Director Scott seconded the motion to approve Resolution 6313: Budget Committee Approval of the 2021-22 Budget and the Imposition of Property Taxes. The motion was put to a voice vote and passed (7-yes, 0-no), with student representative Shue voting yes (unofficial)

Public Comment

- Joe McFerrin II – Community Based Organization (CBO) Funding
- Mashari Tyson – Markham Funding

Adjourned Budget Committee

Time 8:59 pm

Chair Lowery adjourned Budget Committee and reconvened in the Regular Meeting.

Resolution 6313: Resolution to Urge Legislators to Adequately Fund K-12 Public Schools

Time: 9:00 pm

Director Kohnstamm introduced the resolution. The board discussed proposed revisions. The board provided comment.

Actions Taken

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Director Bailey moved and Director Moore seconded the motion to accept the posted proposed amendments to Resolution 6313 provided by Director Moore. The motion was put to a voice vote and passed (7-yes, 0-no), with Student Representative Shue voting yes (unofficial).

Director Brim-Edwards moved and Director Scott seconded a motion to amend the resolution statement number 2 to read: The Portland Public Schools Board of Education urges legislators to publicly state their intention to adequately fund public schools. The motion was put to a voice vote and passed (7-yes, 0-no), with Student Representative Shue voting yes (unofficial).

Director Kohnstamm moved and Director Bailey seconded the motion to approve Resolution 6313, Resolution to Urge Legislators to Adequately Fund K-12 Public Schools, as amended. Voice vote (7-yes, 0-no) Shue yes.

Resolution 6314: Authorizing Pension Bonds and Related Matters

Time: 9:15 pm

Chief Financial Officer Nolberto Delgadillo stated that it is staff recommendation to pursue additional pension bonds. Board Directors provided comment.

Actions Taken

Kohnstamm moved and Director Scott seconded the motion to approve Resolution 6314: Authorizing Pension Bonds and Related Matters. The motion was put to voice vote and passed (7-yes, 0-no) with student representative Shue voting yes.

BREAK

Time: 9:23 -9:28 pm

Resolution 6315 Southeast Enrollment and Program Balancing Process Phase 2 Process and Charge (Resolution 6315)

Time: 9:28 pm

Superintendent Guerrero introduced the Southeast Enrollment and Program Balancing Process Phase 2 resolution, including details about the work already completed in phase 1. Board Directors provided comment.

Actions Taken

Director Bailey moved and Director Scott seconded the motion to approve Resolution 6315, Southeast Enrollment and Program Balancing Process Phase 2 Process and Charge. The motion was put to a voice vote and passed (7-yes, 0-no), with Student Representative Shue voting yes (unofficial)

Public Comment

- Tyler Bechtel – Adhere to public meeting laws and reconstitute the Coalition.

Resolution to Prepare for Full-Time Reopening of In-Person Learning for the 2021-22 School Year (Resolution 6316)

Time: 9:42 pm

Director Scott introduced the resolution. It was noted that there will be a virtual option across all grade levels for students who would like one.

Actions Taken

Director Scott Moved and Director Bailey seconded the motion to approve Resolution 6316, Resolution to Prepare for Full-Time Reopening of In-Person Learning for the 2021-22 School Year. The motion was put to a voice vote and passed (7-yes, 0-no), with Student Representative Shue voting yes (unofficial).

First Reading of Policy Revisions

Time: 9:47 pm

Director Moore provided an overview of the policy revisions for the following policies for a first reading.

- 50.032-P Complaint Policy

There was discussion whether or not to move the policy before the community engagement can be completed. Staff provided an overview of the new (title...Engagement) position

- 8.60.040-P Responsible Technology Use Policy
- 1.80.020-P Anti-Harassment / Non-Discrimination Policy
- 4.30.060-P Student Anti-Harassment and Dating Violence Policy
- 5.10.060-P Workplace Harassment
- 5.10.064-P Professional Conduct Policy

First Reading of Policy Rescissions

Time: (discussion with the policy revisions)

Director Moore provided an overview of the policies suggested for rescissions for a first reading.

- 4.30.070-P Teen Dating Violence/Domestic Violence Policy
- 5.10.030-P Grievance Procedure - Sex Discrimination
- 5.10.062-P Sexual Harassment-Staff to Student

Student Representative Report

Time: 10:11 pm

Student Representative Shue congratulated the Board Directors Elect. He stated that turn out was very low and that voting should not be a last resort. He noted that the District Student Council (DSC) held their annual student summit. He commented on the Oregon State Senate's approval of cuts to school funding.

Other Business / Committee Referrals

None

Adjourn

Chair Lowery adjourned the meeting at 10:16 pm.

The Next regular meeting of the Board of Education is scheduled to be held June 15, 2021.

Submitted by:



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