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To: Facilities and Operations Committee

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Subject: Bond Accountability Committee Membership

BACKGROUND

The 2012 General Obligation Bond ballot measure was referred to the Multnomah Elections Division on August 21, 2012. The measure's summary statement identified the requirement for PPS to provide citizen accountability and oversight. With the passage of the 2012 Capital Construction Bond, staff developed a Bond Accountability Committee (BAC) charter with Board input to address this requirement. As noted in the charter, BAC consists of individuals with a good reputation in the community for fairness and transparency and people with a combination of experience in building design; construction; construction financing; public contracting, budgeting and/or auditing.

Two current BAC members' terms expire at the end of 2022, <u>Greg DiLoreto</u> and <u>Norm Dowty</u>. Both Greg and Norm are active and valued members of the BAC. Their experience, feedback and commitment has helped forward the outcomes of the BAC since joining the committee. Staff recommends appointing Greg DiLoreto and Norm Dowty to additional BAC terms as allowed by the charter.

The BAC currently has several position vacancies in addition to expiring terms. In September 2022 PPS began a public recruitment to fill open positions. After discussion with several potential applicants, the Office of School Modernization recommends that the Facilities and Operations Committee consider the following appointees for membership to the Bond Accountability Committee:

Ryan Kinsella

Ryan is currently the Director of Capital Asset Management for the Oregon Metro where he oversees capital planning, asset management, sustainability, emergency preparedness, and Metro Regional Center operations. Prior to joining Metro, Ryan was the Finance Manager at the Portland Bureau of Transportation where he led PBOT's

efforts to improve the long-term financial sustainability of our local transportation infrastructure while directing the bureau's budget, financial plan, forecast, and financial controls. Ryan also spent eight years in the City of Portland's Budget Office, his final year as the Deputy Budget Director, where he worked on facilitating budget decisions and guiding stakeholders and staff through the budget decision-making processes.

Jonathan Trutt

Jonathan is the Director of the Department of Development and Community Revitalization at Home Forward. This role oversees a mix of public and private financing and construction of all major affordable housing renovations and new construction. The public funding sources include local general obligation bonds passed in recent years. Jonathan's responsibilities include Home Forward's business and workforce equity goals as well as workforce apprenticeship programs. Jonathan has deep roots in affordable housing development in Portland and Oregon.

Due to recent committee departures, even with the above appointments the BAC still has unfilled vacancies. Staff encourages board members to direct any potential applicants to staff for consideration.

RELATED POLICIES/BEST PRACTICES

- 1. Board Resolution No. 4640 (August 20, 2012) calling a Measure Election to Submit to the Electors of the District the Question of Authorizing \$482,000,000 of General Obligation Bonds and Providing for Related Matters.
- Board Resolution No. 4651 (September 24th, 2012) calling for the creation of a citizen oversight committee to assist the board in monitoring the planning and progress of the 2012 Capital Bond program.
- 3. Board Resolution No. 5394 (February 28, 2017) calling a Measure Election to Submit to the Electors of the District the Question of Authorizing \$790,000,000 of General Obligation Bonds and Providing for Related Matters.
- 4. Board Resolution No. 5475 (June 20, 2017) calling to amend the BAC charter to include oversight of the 2017 Modernization and Health and Safety Bond as well as increase committee membership to 10 appointees.
- 5. Board Resolution No. 5960 (September 10, 2019) calling to amend the BAC charter to include review of future bond planning and cost development. Additional ancillary changes and clarifications are included as well.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT (IF APPLICABLE)

Current BAC members and PPS staff reached out to the community and spoke to several potential replacements. An email recruitment for BAC members was sent to all PPS communities on September 16, 2022.

TIMELINE FOR IMPLEMENTATION / EVALUATION

If referred by the Facilities and Operations Committee, the appointments will be placed on

the January 24, 2023 Board of Education consent agenda. Upon approval from the Board of Education, the Office of School Modernization will inform the applicants of their appointment.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends the appointment of Norm Dowty and Greg DiLoreto, Jonathan Trutt and Ryan Kinsella to the committee for the following term durations:

Norm Dowty: 4 years
Greg DiLoreto: 4 years
Jonathan Trutt: 2 years
Ryan Kinsella: 2 years

Note: committee memberships are staggered to allow for an overlap of terms.