



POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING INFORMAL MINUTES

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://youtu.be/Vx_b0jh7D9g

A Meeting of the Board of Education's Policy Committee came to order at 4:04 pm at the call of the Committee Chair Moore. This meeting was held virtually due to Covid-19 and streamed live at <https://www.youtube.com/user/ppscomms/videos>

There were present:

Committee Members

Directors Bailey, Brim-Edwards, Lowery and Moore (Committee Chair), and Student Representative Shue

District Student Council (DSC) Representatives

Oscar Calvert and Jackson Weinberg

Staff and Other Attendees

Kara Bradshaw – Executive Assistant, Board of Education

Robyn Faraone – Interim Director, Strategic Partnerships Department

Jonathan Garcia – Chief of Staff

Claire Hertz – Deputy Superintendent of Business and Operations

Mary Kane – Legal Counsel

Director Kohnstamm – Board Director

Liz Large – Contracted General Counsel

Dr. Travis Paakki – Sr Director, Information Technology

Rosanne Powell – Senior Board Manager

David Roy – Senior Director, Communications

Don Wolff – Chief Technology Officer

Kate Wilkinson – Assistant General Counsel

Pre-meeting

The virtual meeting opened for attendees to arrive at 3:45 pm. No deliberation or decisions were made prior to the start of the meeting.

8.60.040-P Computer Use

Time Started: 4:06 pm

Dr. Travis Paaki introduced the proposed revisions to the Responsible Technology Use Policy, noting that the revisions were intended to provide clarity regarding the reason for no expectation of privacy. There was discussion regarding the referenced laws, and whether they should be listed out in the policy or at the end of the policy. It was decided that the specific laws should be listed at the end of the policy and that the explanation should focus on student and staff safety, system integrity and legal compliance.

There was discussion regarding planned engagement. It was noted that a robust engagement process is planned with the revision of the Administrative Directive because that is where the implementation of the policy will be outlined. Committee Chair Moore requested that staff make minor revisions and circulate the revisions to the committee.

Action Taken

The committee referred the policy to the full board for a first reading.

4.50.032-P Complaint Policy

Time Started: 4:33 pm

Director Moore introduced the Complaint Policy, requesting that the committee review the language in the preamble, and consider referring the policy for a first reading. There was a request to clarify that board directors should not communicate with complainants about the complaint subject. There was discussion regarding when and how to share that complaints that have been filed, including complaints that have not been appealed to the board. There was discussion regarding the previous and new policy preamble.

Actions Taken

The committee voted to refer the revised policy to the full Board for a first reading (3-1 [Brim-Edwards]).

BREAK 5:16 pm – 5:23 pm

Anti-Harassment Policies

Time Started: 5:23 pm

Mary Kane provided an overview of the language revisions to each Anti-harassment policy. There was a request to remove “teen” from the title of 4.30.060-P Student Anti-Harassment and Teen Dating Violence Policy. Ms. Kane noted that the policies being suggested for rescission are outdate and that the relevant portions were either already reflected in other policies or moved to related policies.

Action Taken

The board voted unanimously to refer the following policies to the full board for a first reading of the policy revisions:

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

The committee voted unanimously to refer the following policies for a first reading for policy rescission:

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

7.10.030-P District Foundation

Time Started: 5:53 pm

Jonathan Garcia provided an overview of the district’s current approach to parent fundraising, noting that they have proposed revisions to the current policy which includes a district wide foundation. Robyn Farron provided an overview of the current school foundations. There was discussion regarding the difference between affiliated and unaffiliated foundations and how their funds are tracked and shared with with district. It was noted that affiliated foundations only collect funds for staffing. Ms. Faraone provided an overview of the process for distributing the foundation funds, the new procedures and timelines, and a case study of how the Racial Equity and Social Justice (RESJ) lens could be used to better allocate foundation funds. There was discussion regarding the need for parents supplementation of staffing. There was discussion regarding how to proceed with limited time remaining in the year, and how the parent group’s proposed policy and the district’s proposed policy would be considered. There was discussion on how the two policies are related and the inequities that need to be address.

Action Taken

None

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Climate Crisis Response

Time Started: 5:53 pm

Discussion regarding the Climate Crisis Response Policy was postponed until the next committee meeting.

Action Taken

None

Public Comment

Time Started:

- Ellie Russell: Foundation Policy reform
- Megan Mermis: Foundation Policy reform

Adjourned

Committee Chair Moore adjourned the meeting at 6:57 pm.

Submitted by:



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PPS Board of Education