



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/watch?v=PD3XpIYQg3A&list=PL8CC942A46270A16E&index=2>

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Education came to order at 6:06 pm at the call of Board Chair DePass. This meeting was held at the Blanchard Education Service Center (BESC) 501 N Dixon St. Portland, OR 97227 and streamed live at: <https://www.youtube.com/user/ppskomms/videos>.

Attendance

Present: Chair DePass; Vice-Chair Scott; Directors Brim-Edwards, Hollands, and Lowery; Student Representative Weinberg; Superintendent Guerrero

Absent: Directors Greene and Kohnstamm

National School Social Worker Week

Time Started: 6:07 pm

Staff: James Loveland

Superintendent Guerrero highlighted the critical role that School Social Workers play in meeting the needs of students and families. He provided comments on the continued acts of hate speech that have occurred across the district and noted that each one is responded to with Hate Speech Protocols, which includes the work of our school social workers. Staff provided an overview of the supports school social workers provide in schools and highlighted their primary role.

Actions Taken

Director Brim-Edwards moved and Director Scott seconded the motion to approve Resolution 6471. The motion was put to a voice vote and passed (yes 5, 0 no) with Student Representative Weinberg voting yes (unofficial)

Consent Agenda: Resolutions 6464-6470

Time Started: 6:09 pm

There was no Board discussion.

Actions Taken

Director Scott moved and Director Hollands seconded the motion to approve the Consent Agenda, including Resolutions 6464 – 6470. The motion was put to a voice vote and (5 yes, 0 no) with Student Representative Weinberg voting yes (unofficial)

Student and Public Comment

Time Started: 6:13 pm

Chair DePass read a statement from the Bridger School Community in response to the passing of their teacher Maestra Julia Collins.

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- Rebecca & Natalia Fernandez – Southeast Guiding Coalition (SEGC)
- Maria Conny Vazquez – Southeast Guiding Coalition (SEGC)
- Nimah Crews – (Making decisions for students of color without asking them how they feel about it.)*
- Charlie Schroeter – School staffing
- Alex Freeman – Maestra Julia Collins
- Greg Meyers -
- Beyoung Yu – Equity (English Language Learners (ELL))

*Topic not provided in advance by the commenter, listed topic is the clerk's summary of the topic provided.

Student Representative's Report

Time Started: 6:55 pm

Student Representative Jackson Weinberg provided an overview of some of the things that District Student Council does, noting that District Student Council elections are upcoming at each of the schools. He shared that the next Board Student Representative will be Byronie McMahan. Student Representative Weinberg provided an update on National Student Board Representatives Council, including that they are pushing for student representatives to have a full counted vote. He commented on the close of the Oregon Legislative Session. He also provided comments on the recent hate symbols, noting that Student Representative-Elect McMahan met with the Jewish Student Union at Cleveland and they reported that they felt the administration responded appropriately and quickly, but would have liked more direct communication to the affected community and more solution-focused student engagement.

Board Committee and Conference Reports

Time Started: 7:01 pm

- Elections Task Force: The Task Force has recommended a simple Board Elections map change to comply with statutory requirements. A memo will be sent with the map to Board Directors in advance of the meeting so that they can connect with Portland State University Center for Population with any data questions they have. The Task Force will continue a much longer conversation regarding campaign finance and other elections concerns that take legislative advocacy in the future.
- Facilities and Operations Committee: The Committee will be meeting March 16, 2022, and will discuss the Jefferson High School modernization, the Center for Black Student Excellence, and the relocation of Harriet Tubman Middle School.
- Policy Committee: There are two proposed revised policies that are out for public comment and are posted on the District's website. The Committee discussed making changes to formal complaint policy, which would compress the Complaint process time frame, as well as a conceptual draft of a revised parenting fundraising Policy. The Committee will be working on building an application process for the Climate Crisis Response Committee.

There was discussion regarding whether now is the time to look at the Foundation policy. There was a request to see which schools would be impacted by the proposed revised policy.

There was discussion regarding bringing forward an update and begin community engagement on the Jeff Modernizations, the Center for Black Excellence, and the relocation of Harriet Tubman Middle School.

Adjourn

Chair Michelle DePass adjourned the meeting at 7:16 pm.

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The next regular meeting of the Board of Education is scheduled to be held on April 05, 2022.

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