



JULY 17, 2018 MEETING OVERVIEW

The purpose of this document is to provide an overview of the actions taken by the School Board and to provide a listing of the reports given. Anyone interested in viewing the full meeting, please visit the website listed below.

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Education came to order at 6:04pm at the call of Board Chair Julia Brim-Edwards in the Board Auditorium at the Blanchard Education Service Center, 501 N. Dixon Street, Portland, Oregon.

Attendance

Present: Chair Brim-Edwards; Vice-Chair Esparza Brown, Vice-Chair Moore; Directors Anthony, Bailey, Kohnstamm, and Rosen; Superintendent Guerrero; Interim General Counsel Large.

Recognition

The Board recognized the Winner of the 2018 Board Scholarship: Samaax Noor.

Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Guerrero's report included: congratulations to the Board for the amount of accomplishments in the 2017-18 school year; new staff announcements; "New Faces" event at Franklin High School the following day; Early Kindergarten Transition Program is receiving national attention; and, Project Community Care Day will occur on August 18th.

Student and Public Comment

Beth Blumklotz: bus driver for PPS, stated that the Board did not understand the value of its bus drivers. Your Special Education bus drivers are an important part of the Pioneer Community. Those who transport hamburgers and hot dogs for PPS are paid more than bus drivers. They deserve better wages.

Jimmy Appelhanz: bus drivers have been negotiating for a year in good faith. The District has failed to meet the union demand of an equitable contract. Their patience has worn thin. A Portland resident needs to make \$23.88/hour to afford to rent a two bedroom apartment. Bus drivers make far below that. Co-workers are leaving PPS and receiving signing bonuses from other Districts. Bus drivers drive challenging routes and care for the highest need students. Now is the time to make a contract happen. Our union will have no choice but to strike.

Kira Cadour: asked every white person to remove the cloak of white privilege that they wear and put themselves in the shoes of a black parent. You don't recognize the neighborhood but you have roots there. A positive educational experience is a crucial first step in arming your child for the world. At Kairos, they talk a lot about love. PPS needs to make a space for black students. Kairos needs a long term commitment.

Chris Nelson: Kairos Board Member, provided an overview on their perspective of the lease renewal process with PPS. They submitted their written proposal to the General Counsel today. Kairos has had no meetings with leadership or staff at PPS. They hope PPs will consider their proposal. It feels like PPS does not view Kairos kids as PPS kids.

Lakeeyscia Griffins: as a person of color, growing up she was typically the only black person in the classroom. Kairos is everything she could hope for in a school. Their vision is bigger than what you

see of us now. Humboldt is our home and rightfully so. We need PPS' support and love and assurance that you are on the journey with us.

Tiffany Penson: Vice-Chair of the Kairos Board, stated that she was disappointed that she had to be to PPS for the third time to ask that Kairos remain at Humboldt. It was criminal not to provide all youth with the opportunity to learn and a home to learn in. The PPS Board does not walk the talk. Kairos was tired of asking PPS to do what is right. The PPS Board was showing her who they really were, and she asked how they can look themselves in the mirror every day when they deny access to succeed. They have a lack of respect of Kairos students, staff, and themselves.

Chair Brim-Edwards commented that over the last month, the District has shared its willingness for a one year lease with a rent that represents the space being used. It has been a hard year for PPS; we do not have enough facilities and have spent the last six months trying to make things work. Charter schools have an obligation to find their own facility. The District was willing to enter into a one year lease.

Action Items

- Second Reading: Comprehensive Sexuality Education Policy and Plan
Public Comment
Karina Alcantara: Benson student; she cares about students being abused by partners or family members and thanked the board for the Plan and Policy.
- Second Reading: Public Access to District Records Policy
Public Comment:
Malcolm Ricks: stated that the Public Records Manager was doing a great job, and that with the passage of the new policy, it will make it easier to obtain records.
Nick Budnick: appreciates the Board's careful consideration of the policy. Please put on the record that the second amendment you are adding will not lead to delay in receiving public records.

Reports to the Board

- 2017-2018 School Year Summary
- Discussion: Lincoln High School Master Plan
- Summary of Prior Complaint

The Board Approved the Following Items:

- Resolution 5682: Adopting the Public Access to District Records Policy
- Resolution 5683: Adopting the Comprehensive Sexuality Education Policy
- Election of Board Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson
- Business Agenda

Adjourn

Chair Brim-Edwards adjourned the meeting at 10:08pm.

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