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To: School Board
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Subject: Bond Accountability Committee Appointees

BACKGROUND

The 2012 General Obligation Bond ballot measure and explanatory statement language 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.

The BAC currently has several vacancies, and after discussion with several potential applicants, the Office of School Modernization recommends that the Board of Education consider the following appointees for membership to the Bond Accountability Committee:

Beth Woodward

Retired Senior Management Auditor, City of Portland, and former Engineering Manager at CH2M HILL

Norm Dowty

Retired Construction Industry Executive

Greg DiLoreto

Past President, Chair of Committee on America's Infrastructure, American Society of Civil Engineers, Retired CEO Tualatin Valley Water District

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.

2. 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.

ANALYSIS OF SITUATION

The Bond Accountability Charter allows for 10 members. Current term members total 6, with 3 terms expiring at the end of 2020. This will be the first effort to fill vacancies in a staggered approach so new members are provided with the opportunity to familiarize themselves with the bond program history, current status, program forecasting and future planning for the program.

FISCAL IMPACT

N/A

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT (IF APPLICABLE)

Current BAC members and OSM staff reached out to the community and spoke to several potential replacements.

TIMELINE FOR IMPLEMENTATION / EVALUATION

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 Beth Woodward, Norm Dowty, and Greg DiLoreto to the committee for the following term durations:

Beth Woodward	3 years
Norm Dowty	3 years
Greg DiLoreto	3 years

As a member of the PPS Executive Leadership Team, I have reviewed this staff report.

_____ (Initials)

ATTACHMENTS

- A. Bios of Proposed Members to Bond Accountability Committee

ATTACHMENT A

Please find the attached bios for the proposed addition of new members for the Bond Accountability Committee.

Beth Woodward

Retired Senior Management Auditor, City of Portland, and former Engineering Manager at CH2M HILL

Beth Woodward led an audit of City procurement, including construction and design services contracting, and related social equity policy, while working for the City Auditor. She also led audits of Water Bureau asset management, and cost overruns during design and construction of a new City office building. For the Water Bureau audit, she reviewed revenue bond documents as audit criteria. Beth also worked on an audit of construction-related contracts managed by Facilities Services. As a Certified Construction Auditor, she provided guidance on auditing construction to other performance auditors, through a national performance auditors' professional association. Beth previously worked for CH2M HILL for 17 years as an Engineering Manager and Engineering Technician, managing all phases of interdisciplinary civil and regulatory compliance projects for private and public sector clients. She also performed civil design and construction quality assurance. Beth left CH2M HILL to study environmental science and economics, and then worked for the Oregon Department of Environmental Quality as a Willamette Basin Coordinator before her work as an auditor.

Beth holds a Master of Public Administration, BS, and Associate in Applied Civil Engineering Technology degrees.

Norman `Norm' Dowty

Retired Construction Industry Executive

Norm retired from R&H Construction in December 2019 after 36 years with the company. He was a Principal and Vice President at R&H Construction. During his career at R&H he was involved with many notable local projects including the Wieden+Kenedy world headquarters, Adidas North American headquarters, Ziba Design world headquarters, KEEN Footwear world headquarters, Dove Lewis Emergency Animal Hospital and the \$120M Mary's Woods Village project. The focus during his career was on the Preconstruction phase of major CMGC projects.

Norm has served on the boards of the local chapter of the American Institute of Architects (AIA) and Cedar Sinai Park Senior Living Community. He was active in many industry organizations over his career including the American Institute of Architects (AIA), Architectural Foundation of Oregon (AFO) and the Urban Land Institute (ULI).

Norm's connection to PPS runs deep with his father having been a retired PPS educator. He went to Markham Elementary school and Jackson HS before going to the University of Oregon where he met his wife Janet who had attended Franklin HS. Both of their children (Michael & Megan) went to Stephenson Elementary, Jackson MS and Wilson HS before attending and graduating from college.

Norm strongly supports public education and believes that all educators and students deserve quality facilities that are well designed, durable and safe.

Norm has a degree in Architect from the University of Oregon (BS-Arch 1979).

Greg DiLoreto, P.E., P.L.S, D. WRE

Past President, Chair of Committee on America's Infrastructure, American Society of Civil Engineers, Retired CEO Tualatin Valley Water District

Greg DiLoreto retired in 2013 after 14 years as the Chief Executive Officer of the Tualatin Valley Water District. He worked in the public works field for 37 years, 17 years as a public works director/city engineer. From 2009 to 2013, Greg served as the President of the Special Districts Association of Oregon. He has served as a Director on the American Society of Civil Engineers Board of Direction from 2004-06 and then as the Society President in 2013. He has received the 1986 ASCE Edmund Friedman Young Engineer Award, the 1995 ASCE Oregon Section Outstanding Civil Engineer Award and the 2005 ASCE Government Engineer of the Year Award. In 2003, he was inducted into the Oregon State University Academy of Distinguished Engineers. Greg currently serves as chair of ASCE's Committee on America's Infrastructure, responsible for the well-known Infrastructure Report Card, which assesses U.S. infrastructure across 16 categories using the familiar format of a school report card. He is also the chair of the Board of the Institute for Sustainable Infrastructure.

Greg holds a B.S. degree in Civil Engineering from Oregon State University and a Master's degree in Public Administration from Portland State University. He is registered as a civil and environmental engineer and a professional land surveyor in Oregon.

RESOLUTION No. 6110

Appointment of Bond Accountability Committee Members

RECITAL

As part of the 2012 Bond Program (Measure 26-144), Resolution 4651 created a citizen oversight committee to assist the Board in monitoring the planning and progress of the 2012 Capital Bond Program.

Board Resolution No. 5475 (June 20, 2017) amended the BAC charter to include oversight of the 2017 Modernization and Health and Safety Bond.

Staff has reviewed the needs of the committee and the qualification of certain candidates and recommends the appointment of three new members to the BAC: Beth Woodward, Norm Dowty, and Greg DiLoreto. The background and qualifications of these members have been provided to the Board.

RESOLUTION

The Board of Education approves the appointment of three new Bond Accountability Committee Members: Beth Woodward, Norm Dowty, and Greg DiLoreto. Each appointee will have a term of 3 years.