



Portland Public Schools Board of Education

March 16, 2023 Policy Committee

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POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING OVERVIEW

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A meeting of the board's Policy Committee came to order 6:02 pm at the call of Committee Chair Eilidh Lowery. This meeting was held at the Dr. Matthew Prophet Education Center (Prophet Center) 501 N Dixon St. Portland, OR 97227 and streamed live at: <https://www.youtube.com/user/ppskomms/videos>.

Attendance

There were present:

Committee Members

Director Eilidh Lowery (Committee Chair); Directors Brim-Edwards, DePass, and Hollands

Staff and Other Attendees

Kara Bradshaw – Executive Assistant, Board of Education

Robyn Faraone – Director, Strategic Partnerships

Jonathan Garcia – Chief of Staff

Mary Kane – Senior Legal Counsel

Liz Large – Contracted General Counsel

Rosanne Powell – Senior Board Manager

Terry Proctor – Manager, Multimedia Services

Agenda

Time Started	Agenda Title
4:02 pm	Introductions
4:05 pm	Public Comment
4:20 pm	Foundations / Parent Groups
5:29 pm	Update on Religious Holidays
5:35 pm	Policies in Public Comment Period
5:53 pm	Adjourned

Committee Actions

- The Civic Use of Buildings Policy 3.30.010-P was referred to the full Board for a second First Reading.
- The Complaint Policy 4.50.030-P was withdrawn from the First Reading period for further consideration.

Student and Public Comment

- Lana Keane – Foundation Policy
- Jennifer McClister – Foundation Policy
- Loni Ingram – Foundation Policy
- Melissa Ryan – Foundation Policy
- Dan Ozbörne – Foundation Policy

Committee Discussions

Local School Foundations and School-Based Fundraising Policy Discussion Overview

Director Lowery provided an overview of the process that was taken to get to the draft that was provided in the materials and the timeline for further revisions in order to for the policy to be put into place for the 24-25 fiscal year.

Staff provided an overview of the revisions that were suggested based on the feedback heard from the previous Policy Committee discussion. The Committee discussed whether to move forward with revisions at this time, including an option to refer as revised now and then bring the policy back to next year's committee for further review.

There was discussion on distribution models, including a flat percentage and a reverse pie model.

- Reverse Pie model is when a percentage is distributed up to a certain amount of funds raised, and then a smaller percentage for the next portion of funds continuing until there are no portions distributed.
- Any distribution model would only applies to funds that are raised for Full Time Employee (FTE).
- The Fundraising Policy only dictates how the dollars fundraised are equitably distributed to the Fund for PPS. Once distributed the Fund for PPS determines the allocation to schools based on an equity model.

There were requests to further engage the community.

Religious Holidays

The was discussion regarding how to determine which religious holidays are included on the school calendar.

- There must be non-religious selection criteria. Examples of modes could be based on absentee data or a percentage of population thresholds.
- Interest in obtaining community feedback.

The committee informally agreed to wait a year and see how the 2022-23 school year implementation worked before creating a more robust system of criteria for selection.

Policies in the Public Comment Period

Civil Use of Buildings (CUB) 3.30.010-P

- There was a request to add the second paragraph that was struck as part of the revisions back into the policy. There was brief committee discussion regarding the language.
- Director Eilidh Lowery moved and Director Gary Hollands seconded the motion to add the second paragraph that was struck as part of earlier revisions back into the CUB Policy. The motion was put to a voice vote passed (3 yes – 0).

Complaint Policy 4.50.030-P

- There was discussion regarding the types of complaints that the Board wouldn't see based on the new revisions and how the Board could have visibility on those issues.
- The policy was pulled from the first reading period. Staff will take another look at the language and bring it back to a future committee meeting.

Adjourn

Committee Chair Eilidh Lowery adjourned the meeting at 5:46 pm.

Submitted by:

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