

PORTLAND PUBLIC SCHOOLS Board of Education August 21, 2023

MEETING NOTES: STUDENT SUCCESS COMMITTEE MEETING

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/ruzwBuOwZSk?si=QlurEZpT8IR3Wj9E

The Board of Education's Student Success Committee came to order at 10:32 am at the call of Committee Chair Eddie Wang. 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/ppscomms/videos.

Attendance

Committee Members

Present: Director Eddie Wang (Committee Chair), Director Herman Greene, and Director Patte Sullivan Absent: None

Other Attendees

Kara Bradshaw – Executive Assistant, Board of Education Jey Buno – Chief of Student Support Services Margaret Calvert – Regional Superintendent Dr. Jon Franco – Chief of Schools Filip Hristić – Senior Director, Middle School Redesign Dr. Esther Omogbehin – Regional Superintendent Rosanne Powell – Senior Manager, Board of Education Terry Proctor – Manager, Multimedia Services Dr. Cheryl Proctor – Deputy Superintendent, Instruction & School Communities Richard Smith – Director of Middle Grades Redesign Joanna Tobin –Senior Director, Middle Grades Core Academics

Agenda

Time Started	Agenda Title
10:32 pm	Overview of Committee Objectives for the Year
10:47 am	Middle School Redesign
11:22 pm	Overview of Graduation Requirements
11:57 pm	Adjourn

Student and Public Comment

None

Discussions

Overview of Committee Objectives for the Year and Introductions

Director Wang provided an overview of the committee's objectives for the year, which include examining policies and potentially making recommendations to the Policy Committee, overseeing Middle School Redesign, and looking at enrollment and school enrollment boundaries. The Committee identified potential topics to address, including looking at how funds are spent to allow for the maximum number of staff in classrooms, JROTC programs in schools, equitable grading practices, and learning more about the Multiple Pathways to Graduation (MPG) and Indian Education program in order to see how they can better be supported.

Actions Taken None

Middle School Redesign

Staff: Joanna Tobin, Richard Smith, Filip Hristić

Staff provided an overview of the middle school redesign plan, highlighting simultaneous initiatives, scheduling, and curriculum adoptions and implementations. There was discussion regarding scheduling and moving to a 5 of 7-period day, as well as supporting teachers through advisory period implementation.

- Middle School includes K-8 schools.
- There are 18 Middle School Redesign initiatives. Five are simultaneous initiatives that are being implemented in all middle grades.
- Ten out of fifteen middle grades schools have 5 of 7-period days.
- There is curriculum for advisory periods, and each school has a designated advisory leader to help lead the program rollout.

Actions Taken None

High School Graduation Requirements

Staff: Filip Hristić

Staff provided an overview of PPS graduation requirements, including graduation rates and the high school success plan. It was noted that PPS graduation requirements are more rigorous than the state requirements and that PPS graduation rates are higher than the state average, however graduation rates don't always equate to proficiency. There was discussion regarding proficiency at graduation.

Actions Taken None

Adjourn

Committee Chair Eddie Wang adjourned the meeting at 11:57 am.

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Kara Bradshaw

Kara Bradshaw, Executive Assistant PPS Board of Education