# **Portland Public Schools Board of Education**

**Regular Meeting Minutes** December 15, 2020 Virtual

#### Attendance

Present: Chair Lowery, Directors Bailey, Brim-Edwards, DePass, Kohnstamm, Moore, Scott; Student Representative Shue

Absent: None

#### Actions Taken

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda, including Resolutions 6214, 6215, 6217, and 6218. This motion, made by Director Amy Kohnstamm and seconded by Director Julia Brim-Edwards, Passed.

Director Scott Bailey: Yes, Director Julia Brim-Edwards: Yes, Director Michelle DePass: Yes, Director Amy Kohnstamm: Yes, Director Eilidh Lowery: Yes, Director Rita Moore: Yes, Director Andrew Scott: Yes, Student Representative Shue: Yes (unofficial)

Yes: 7, No: 0

Motion to amend Resolution 6219 to remove "and approves". This motion, made by Director Julia Brim-Edwards and seconded by Director Scott Bailey, Passed.

Director Scott Bailey: Yes, Director Julia Brim-Edwards: Yes, Director Michelle DePass: Yes, Director Amy Kohnstamm: Yes, Director Eilidh Lowery: Yes, Director Rita Moore: Yes, Director Andrew Scott: Yes, Student Representative Shue: Yes (unofficial)

Yes: 7, No: 0

Motion to approve Resolution 6219: Acceptance of the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR), Reports to Management, and the Report on Requirements for Federal Awards, as amended. This motion, made by Director Julia Brim-Edwards and seconded by Director Amy Kohnstamm, Passed.

Director Scott Bailey: Yes, Director Julia Brim-Edwards: Yes, Director Michelle DePass: Yes, Director Amy Kohnstamm: Yes, Director Eilidh Lowery: Yes, Director Rita Moore: Yes, Director Andrew Scott: Yes, Student Representative Shue: Yes (unofficial)

Yes: 7, No: 0

Motion to submit the evidence that was gathered to the Secretary of State's office and endorse district management's response. This motion, made by Director Andrew Scott and seconded by Director Eilidh Lowery, Passed.

Director Scott Bailey: Yes, Director Julia Brim-Edwards: Yes, Director Michelle DePass: Yes, Director Amy Kohnstamm: Yes, Director Eilidh Lowery: Yes, Director Rita Moore: Yes, Director Andrew Scott: Yes

Yes: 7, No: 0

Motion to approve Resolution 6220 to adopt the 2021 Portland Public Schools Legislative Agenda with an amendment that would add a bullet calling-out the system shift around transformative curriculum and pedagogy. This motion, made by Director Andrew Scott and seconded by Director Michelle DePass, Passed.

Director Scott Bailey: Yes, Director Julia Brim-Edwards: Yes, Director Michelle DePass: Yes, Director Amy Kohnstamm: Yes, Director Eilidh Lowery: Yes, Director Rita Moore: Yes, Director Andrew Scott: Yes, Student Representative Shue: No Vote

Yes: 7, No: 0

Motion to adopt the Oregon School Board Association (OSBA) Legislative Agenda. This motion, made by Director Andrew Scott and seconded by Director Amy Kohnstamm, Passed.

Director Scott Bailey: Yes, Director Julia Brim-Edwards: Yes, Director Michelle DePass: Yes, Director Amy Kohnstamm: Yes, Director Eilidh Lowery: Yes, Director Rita Moore: Yes, Director Andrew Scott: Yes, Student Representative Shue: Yes (unofficial)

Yes: 7, No: 0

#### Expenditure Contracts that Exceed \$150,000 for Delegation of Authority

#### RECITAL

Portland Public Schools ("District") Public Contracting Rules PPS-45-0200 ("Authority to Approve District Contracts; Delegation of Authority to Superintendent") requires the Board of Education ("Board") enter into contracts and approve payment for products, materials, supplies, capital outlay, equipment, and services whenever the total amount exceeds \$150,000 per contract, excepting settlement or real property agreements. Contracts meeting this criterion are listed below.

#### RESOLUTION

The Superintendent recommends that the Board approve these contracts. The Board accepts this recommendation and by this resolution authorizes the Deputy Clerk to enter into the following agreements.

Contractor	Contract Term	Contract Type	Description of Services	Contract Amount	Responsible Administrator, Funding Source
The Lion Electric Co., U.S., Inc.	12/16/20 through 12/31/21	Purchase Order PO 153531	Purchase of Type A Electric Bus. Request for Proposals 2020- 2898	\$299,571	C. Hertz Fund 101 Dept. 5560
FFA Architecture and Interiors, Inc.	12/16/20 through 12/2/23 Option to renew for two additional one year terms through 12/2/25		Seismic design work for Lent School. Request for Proposals 2020- 2856	\$624,833	C. Hertz Fund 445 Dept. 5597 Project K0205
Miller Nash Graham & Dunn LLP	12/16/20 through 6/30/21	Legal Services LS 89586	Legal services and support. Direct Negotiation – Legal Services PPS-46-0525(13)	\$300,000	L. Large Fund 101 Dept. 5460
Ednetics, Inc.	12/16/20 through 3/24/23 Option to renew for up to three additional one- year terms through 3/24/26		Purchase of network equipment and warranty/maintenance services. Administering Contracting Agency: Organization for Educational Technology and Curriculum (OETC)	\$1,000,000	C. Hertz Fund 101 Dept. 5581
CDR Labor Law	12/16/20 through 6/30/21	Legal Services LS 89592	Provide outside legal service support on an as-needed basis. Direct Negotiation – Legal Services PPS-46-0525(13)	\$300,000	L. Large Fund 101 Dept. 5460
Vickers Plass LLC	1/1/21 through 6/30/23	Legal Services LS 89593	Provide outside legal and risk management support on an as- needed basis. Direct Negotiation – Legal Services PPS-46-0525(13)	\$300,000	L. Large Fund 101 Dept. 5540
Sather, Byerly & Holloway, LLP	1/1/21 through 1/31/24	Legal Services LS 89594	Provide workers' compensation legal services. Direct Negotiation – Legal Services PPS-46-0525(13)	\$300,000	L. Large Fund 101 Dept. 5540
Northwest Information Systems, Inc.	12/16/20 through 3/31/24	Cooperative Contract COA 89555	Information Technology staff augmentation. Administering Contracting Agency: Washington County	\$5,000,000	C. Hertz Funding Source Varies

## **NEW CONTRACTS**

Studio Petretti T Architecture, LLC	BD Architecture ARCH XXXXX*	Full design and engineering services for building improvements at Terwilliger for the relocation of Access Academy. Request for Proposals 2020- 2900	\$350,000	C. Hertz Funding Source TBD
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# NEW INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENTS ("IGAs")

## No New IGAs

## AMENDMENTS TO EXISTING CONTRACTS

Contractor	Contract Term	Contract Type	Description of Services	Amendment Amount, Contract Amount	Responsible Administrator, Funding Source
Office of General Counsel Network	12/16/20 through 6/30/21	Legal Services LS 69692 Amendment 1	General Counsel services extended through the end of fiscal year. Direct Negotiation – Legal Services PPS-46-0525(13)	\$180,000 \$360,000	S. Soden Fund 101 Dept. 5460
Prospect Studio	12/16/20 through 6/30/21	Personal Services PS 70019 Amendment 1	To finalize and integrate the work in the Spring (Year One- High Level Work Plan) into the first of a series of Strategic Plans for 2021-24. Request for Proposals 2018- 2487	\$80,000 \$175,000	G. Guerrero Fund 101 Dept. 5402

The Following Minutes are offered for Adoption

• 12/01/2020 - Regular Meeting

## Authorizing the Early Termination of Sunstone Montessori Lease in order to reunite ACCESS Academy at Terwilliger Elementary School Located at 6318 SW Corbett Street

## RECITALS

- A. During a special meeting of the Portland Public Schools Board of Education on May 30, 2018, Resolution #5658 was approved to co-locate the District's ACCESS Academy Alternative Program ACCESS Academy.
- B. PPS's lease with Sunstone Montessori at Terwilliger will expire on July 31, 2022.
- C. PPS presented the Terwilliger site to the ACCESS Academy community as an opportunity for permanent co-location of its two programs in the school year 2022-23, after the Sunstone Montessori lease expires, or earlier if possible, and it was well received by the ACCESS community.
- D. Early termination of the lease will provide time to prepare the Terwilliger facility for ACCESS occupancy on or before January 2022.
- E. PPS and Sunstone Montessori have negotiated an agreement, subject to Board approval, to terminate the lease effective June 30, 2021 in exchange for rent concession, payment of \$468,888, among other terms.

## RESOLUTION

1. The Board hereby authorizes the early termination of the Sunstone Montessori lease effective June 30, 2021 and the rent concession/payment to Sunstone Montessori of \$468,888 in a form of agreement approved by the General Counsel.

# Settlement Agreement

The authority to pay \$80,000 is granted to the Superintendent to enter into an agreement to resolve claims brought on behalf of a former student in a form approved by the General Counsel's Office.

# Acceptance of the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report, Reports to Management, and the Report on Requirements for Federal Awards

#### RECITALS

- A. The Board of Education is committed to accountability for how Portland Public Schools spends its tax dollars and other resources, and recognizes that transparency, accuracy, and timeliness in financial reporting are important components of financial accountability.
- B. The District Auditor, Talbot, Korvola & Warwick, LLP, has completed their independent audit of the financial reporting for the year ended June 30, 2020, and provides assurance that the District's accounting and reporting are in compliance with generally accepted accounting principles.
- C. The District has received awards in Excellence in Financial Reporting for 40 consecutive years from both the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA) and the Association of School Business Officials (ASBO) and plans to submit the current financial reports for similar award consideration.

#### RESOLUTION

The Board of Education accepts the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report, Reports to Management, and Report on Requirements of the Single Audit Act of School District No. 1J, Multnomah County, Oregon for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2020, and authorizes the reports to be distributed to required state and federal agencies and filed for future reference.

## 2021 Portland Public Schools Legislative Agenda

## RECITALS

- A. In January, the Oregon Legislature will convene the 2021 Regular Legislative Session during which hundreds of bills affecting education will be introduced and debated.
- B. Additionally, the Legislature will approve a budget for the 2021-2023 biennium that will contain the State School Fund, the primary funding source for K-12 education in Oregon and for Portland Public Schools.
- C. The Portland Public Schools Board recognizes that legislative advocacy is essential for the District and for our ability to affect education public policy in Oregon.
- D. The Portland Public Schools Legislative Agenda is aligned with the five educational system shifts as outlined in the PPS strategic plan for the 2020-21 school year.
- E. Portland Public Schools' first and foremost priority for the 2021 Regular Legislative Session is for the legislature to provide robust funding for advancing student achievement in every school district in Oregon.
- F. The district is also calling on the legislature to pass measures that help get students back into the classroom as soon as it is safe to do so.
- G. Portland Public Schools will advocate to build on the progress the legislature made when they passed the Student Success Act by continuing to support centering racial equity in school funding decisions.
- H. Portland Public Schools will advocate for increased investments in programs that support the social and emotional well-being of our students and their families.
- I. The district will also strongly support measures that enhance the ability of PPS to advance student achievement, close the opportunity gap for historically underserved students and enhance racial equity in the district and statewide.
- J. The legislative agenda was developed through consultation with district staff, board members, and other state-wide associations and partners.

## RESOLUTION

1. The Board adopts the 2021 Legislative Agenda as the formal position of the Board of Education for the 2021 Regular Legislative Session focusing on priority areas of student achievement and safety, education funding, expanded learning opportunities and workforce diversity and development.