



REGULAR MEETING OVERVIEW

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://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PL8CC942A46270A16E>

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Education came to order at 6:01 pm at the call of Board Chair Lowery. This meeting was held virtually due to Covid-19 and streamed live at: <https://www.youtube.com/user/ppscomms/videos>

Attendance

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

Absent: None

Other Attendees

Pre-meeting

The virtual meeting opened for attendees to arrive at 5:46 pm. No deliberation or decisions were made prior to the start of the meeting.

Teacher and Administrator Appreciation Week

Time Started: 6:02 pm

Board Directors shared their appreciation for teachers and administrators.

Actions Taken

Director Brim-Edwards moved and Director Bailey seconded the motion to approve Resolution 6292, Resolution to Celebrate Teacher and School Administrator Appreciation Week of May 3, 2021. The motion was put to a voice vote passed (7-0-0), with Student Representative Shue voting yes (unofficial).

Consent Agenda

Time Started: 6:12 pm

Staff: Dr. Kregg Cuellar – Deputy Superintendent, Instruction & School Communities; Claire Hertz – Deputy Superintendent of Business and Operations; Susan Holveck – Academic Programs; Leslie O'Dell – Senior Director, Funded Programs; Dr. Luis Valentino – Chief Academic Officer; Mary Weiner – Program Manager, Student Success

Director Moore pulled Resolution 6291 for individual consideration.

Staff provided an overview of curriculum adoption selection, purchasing oversight, and implementation. There was discussion regarding adoption engagement. Staff provided an overview of Student Success Act (SSA) grants for summer learning, noting that they are supplemental and not related to Covid relief funds. It was noted that the summer learning grants are three-year packages for summer learning only.

Director Moore provided suggested edits to the Bond Accountability Committee (BAC) Charter. There was discussion regarding the proposed revisions. It was decided that Resolution 6291 would be tabled until the next Regular Meeting so that the Charter could be revised.

Actions Taken

Director Kohnstamm moved and Director Brim-Edwards seconded the motion to approve the Consent Agenda, including Resolutions 6288-6290 and 6295. The motion was put to a voice vote and pass (7 yes – 0 no), with Student Representative Shue voting yes (unofficial).

Resolution 6291 was tabled.

Public Comment

Time Started: 6:56 pm

- Susan Anglada Bartley: Student Safety and Covid-19.
- David Ortiz: Demands from the Roosevelt Asian Student Group regarding Asian/Asian American student safety.
- Kiera Asay: Demands from the Roosevelt Asian Student Group regarding Asian/Asian American student safety.
- Beyoung Yu: Covid-19 and Student Safety for students of color.
- Tereza Bottman: Student Safety and Covid-19.
- Greg Meyers: Invest in and hire more union custodial staff.

BREAK 7:20 – 7:25 pm

Student Representative Report

Time Started: 7:26 pm

Student Representative Shue invited students to attend the Student Summit on May 22, 2021. He shared that there will be an election on May 18, 2021 and noted the last date to register to vote.

Superintendent's Report

Time Started: 7:29 pm

Superintendent Guerrero responded to the verdict for the murder of George Floyd. He recognized Teacher and School Administration Appreciation week, expressing appreciation for the great work that teachers and administrators have done in the last year and a half. He noted that all hybrid cohorts have begun for all grade levels and that the District is planning for summer programming. He provided details about the Covid-19 advisory metrics, including current data points. He shared that graduations this year will occur outside at Providence Park, noting that specific details will follow.

Committee and Conference Reports

Time Started: 7:38 pm

- Audit Committee: The committee has not met since the last board meeting.
- Board Retreat: The Board came to consensus regarding the board leadership election process, and revised the communication protocols and ethics statement.
- Community Budget Review Committee (CBRC): The committee met on April 15, 2021 and received an overview of the budget process from staff. At the meeting, there was discussion regarding how the District will report to the committee.
- Charter Schools and Alternative Programs: The committee received an update regarding Hybrid learning at Charter Schools and at Alternative Programs, as well as a report on the Request for

April 27, 2021

Proposal (RFP) process that has just been completed for alternative programming. At the meeting, there was discussion regarding increasing the pass-through funds for charter schools and alternative programs, the closure of Opal School, and how schools are dealing with the increase in gun violence.

- Council of the Great City Schools (CGCS): They sent suggested priorities for spending new federal funding.
- Intergovernmental Committee: The next meeting is scheduled for May 13, 2021.
- Policy Committee: The committee looked at the Climate Crisis Policy, the Complaint Policy, and a suite of anti-harassment policies requiring statutory changes. The next meeting will be held on May 10, 2021. Director Moore recommended a new policy committee be formed at the start of the new year and that they start planning the committee's work during the summer.
- Rose Quarter Project: Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) is looking at an alternative plan, one that does not move closer to Harriet Tubman Middle School. There was a presentation on the different highway covers, which was requested by Albina Vision trust that supports housing and retail.
- School Improvement Bond Committee: The committee received a presentation on Spatial Equity at the last meeting. The next meeting will be held on May 27, 2021.

Ida B Wells-Barnett Mascot

Time Started: 8:00 pm

Staff: Filip Hristic – Principal; Camille Idedevbo – Strategic Partnerships

Staff and members of the Mascot Committee provided an overview of the guiding principles and process for the mascot selection, including the process that the committee went through to decide on a change in their choice of mascot since the March 30, 2021 meeting. A video was shown of an alumna who was part of the mascot committee providing comment on the choice of Guardians as a mascot. Members of the Mascot Committee introduced the visual mascot drafts and provided a summary of feedback from the five student focus group meetings that were held regarding the visual mascot. Staff highlighted the next steps, including shifting school climate.

Board Directors provided feedback.

Actions Taken

Director Brim-Edwards moved and Director DePass seconded the motion to approve Resolution 6293, Resolution to Change the Mascot of Ida B. Wells-Barnett High School. The motion was put to a voice vote and passed (7 yes – 0 no), with Student Representative Shue voting yes (unofficial).

2021/2022 School Calendar

Time Started: 8:36 pm

Staff: Guadalupe Guerrero – Superintendent, Dr. Kregg Cuellar – Deputy Superintendent, Instruction & School Communities

Superintendent Guerrero provided an overview of the focuses and considerations that went into developing the 2021/2022 school calendar. Dr. Cuellar added that staff are looking at the possibility of continuing to use Comprehensive Distance Learning (CDL) during snow days in the future.

Actions Taken

Director Scott moved and Director Brim-Edwards seconded the motion to approve Resolution 6294, Resolution to Approve the 2021-22 School District Calendar. The motion was put to a voice vote and passed (7 yes – 0 no), with Representative Shue voting yes (unofficial).

BREAK 8:45 – 8:50 pm

Update: Measure of Student Progress (MAP)

Time Started: 8:30 pm

Staff: Dr. Russell Brown – Chief of System Performance

Dr. Russ Brown provided an overview of the Measure of Academic Progress (MAP) test, including testing frequency, the reason for using the MAP test, and who participated in the testing. He noted that students who participated this year tended to be the same students who tested better last year. He provided an overview of the results and observations, noting that reading achievement was more stable than math. He provided an overview of the next steps.

Board Directors asked questions about the data. There was discussion regarding possible reasons that students did well in reading in a distance learning environment, including differentiated supports and the amount of time students spend reading. There was discussion regarding students who did not test this year.

Update: Summer Learning

Time Started: 9:33 pm

Staff: Dana Nerenberg – Director, Learning Acceleration; Dani Ledezma – Senior Advisor, Racial Equity and Social Justice; Dr. Aurora Hymel – Senior Director of College and Career Readiness; Dr. Gregg Cuellar – Deputy Superintendent, Instruction & School Communities

Staff provided an overview of the summer learning program, including the priorities, approach, opportunity types and projected timeline. It was noted that the program will include academic and enrichment opportunities, as well as youth employment opportunities, and will align with the District's vision and theory of action. Staff shared that they are working to shift the language that is used from a negative deficient narrative to a positive acceleration narrative and highlighted research-based emerging priorities.

Board Directors provided feedback and asked questions of the plan. Staff provided an overview of how students will be connected to summer programming, noting that some programming will be open to all students while some programming will be by invitation. There was a request for a report on "lessons learned" from CDL. It was noted that there will not be any fees for summer programming. Staff provided details regarding locations and transportation. There was discussion regarding program staffing. It was noted that the teachers who are going through the LETRS program will be providing the high dosage tutoring and implement the training they are receiving. It was noted that additional high school programming will be announced once the Request for Proposal (RFP) process has been completed.

Superintendent's Budget Message and Presentation

Time Started: 10:33 pm

Staff: Nolberto Delgadillo – CFO; Claire Hertz – Deputy Superintendent of Business and Operations; Dani Ledezma – Senior Advisor of Racial Equity and Social Justice

Director Lowery requested that Board Directors submit their questions in writing. Superintendent Guerrero provided an overview of the budget, including the approach that was taken. Staff provided an overview of the budget funding sources, noting some of the changes that have been made or that are anticipated. The proposed investment plan was highlighted, including Racial Equity and Social Justice (RESJ) considerations and key investments that will need to be made. Staff provided an overview of the next steps in the budget process, noting that there will be a Budget Work Session on May 5, 2021.

There was discussion regarding the Work Session and whether another meeting would be needed. Chair Lowery stated that she would work with staff to ensure that there is sufficient time for Board Directors to consider the budget.

Other Business

None

Adjourn

Chair Lowery adjourned the meeting at 11:10 pm.

The next regular meeting of the Board of Education is scheduled to be held May 11, 2021.

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