



SEPTEMBER 4, 2018 MEETING OVERVIEW

The purpose of this document is to provide an overview of the actions taken by the School Board and to provide a listing of the reports given. Anyone interested in viewing the full meeting, please visit the website listed below.

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Education came to order at 6:10pm at the call of Board Chair Rita Moore in the Board Auditorium at the Blanchard Education Service Center, 501 N. Dixon Street, Portland, Oregon.

Attendance

Present: Chair Moore; Vice-Chair Esparza Brown via phone; Directors Anthony, Bailey, Brim-Edwards, and Rosen; Student Representative Paesler; Superintendent Guerrero; Interim General Counsel Large. Directors Esparza Brown and Kohnstamm absent.

Student and Public Comment

Theresa Greer: her daughter is a nervous kindergartner at Sabin. Her teacher has 29 students enrolled with a projected 30. There is not enough room to even sit on the carpet and listen to the teacher reading a book. Lower class sizes make a difference.

Ofelia Lara: stated that they want an immediate solution to the overcrowding problem that is facing Bridger: portable classrooms. They would like the portables functioning by the first week of October. In addition, they would like the Board to involve parents in creating a plan for Bridger.

Joseph Clyde: Special Education bus drivers have been addressing the Board for a year. They invited you to ride along with them. The Superintendent rode with a general school bus driver, and that was a start. His challenge to the Board was to find some time to ride along on a Special Education route, and let the bus driver pick the route. Don't bring the camera or press.

Elizabeth Israel-Davis: has taught at PPS for 11 years. She was representing the Dyslexia Advisory Group. One in five people are affected by dyslexia. Effective reading instruction is not in every classroom. Those who do not receive the supports they need drop out, or graduate with a modified diploma. She requested that the Advisory Group be included as one of the stakeholder groups in the Visioning Process.

Marty Stockton: requested that the Board review the Dyslexia Advisory Group's short and long-term requests and goals and partner with them. Also, to declare October as Dyslexia Awareness Month and that it be an annual action of the Board. By winter 2019, they would like to see a parent notification template for dyslexia screening results, and an improved and maintained PPS dyslexia webpage. In addition, they would like more Project Read kits purchased and would like to be officially recognized as an advisory group with PPS staff. The central office should develop a dyslexia support platform for K-12 (Fairfax, Virginia has a good handbook. The Advisory Group would also like to meet with PPS leadership.

Lisa Lyon: progress has been made since she first spoke four years ago to the Board. Oregon House Bill 2412 mandated that one educator per K-5 building receive professional development in dyslexia; PPS trained double the required by law. However, 10 of 58 elementary schools were not in compliance with state requirements.

Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Guerrero reported on the following: first day of school; enrollment numbers continue to be monitored; Shadow a Student activity will be held in October; 3-day Leadership Summit was held the previous month for school leaders; and, Back to School nights were being scheduled.

Action Items

- Board Position on Ballot Measures

The Board Approved the Following Items:

- Resolution 5717: Resolution to Uphold the Superintendent's Decision on a Step 2 Appeal – Complaint 2018-04.
- Resolution 5719: Resolution in Support of Measure 102: Statewide Constitutional Amendment
- Resolution 5720: Resolution in Opposition to Ballot Measure 103: Ban on Grocery Tax
- Resolution j5721: Resolution in Opposition to Measure 104: Definition of Raising Revenue for Three-Fifths Vote Requirement Initiative
- Resolution 5722: Resolution in Opposition to Measure 105: Measure to Repeal the Law limiting Use of State/Local Law Enforcement Resources to Enforce Federal Immigration Laws
- Resolution 5723: Resolution in Support of Measure 26-99: The Regional Affordable Housing Bond
- Business Agenda

Student Representative Report

Student Representative Paesler reported that the first meeting with the Student Council occurred earlier in the day, with six of the high schools represented. The Council will begin planning the PPS Winter Summit.

Adjourn

Chair Moore adjourned the meeting at 7:54pm.

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