

**School District No. 1J, Multnomah County, Oregon
Board Training Session of November 3, 2016**

INFORMAL MINUTES

A Training Session for the Board of Directors came to order at 9:08am at the call of Chair Tom Koehler in the Willamette Conference Room of the Blanchard Education Service Center, 501 N. Dixon Street, Portland, Oregon, 97227.

There were present:

Board of Directors:

Tom Koehler, Chair
Amy Kohnstamm, Vice-Chair
Paul Anthony
Steve Buel
Julie Esparza Brown
Mike Rosen

Guests:

Dr. Ron Horner
Suzanne Cohen, PAT President
Elizabeth Thiel, PAT Vice-President
Kathi Koenig, PAT
John Berkey, PAT
Marty Pavlik, PAT
Roger Kirchner
Scott Bailey

Staff:

Bob McKean, Interim Superintendent
Lorenzo Poe, Chief of Equity
Richard Kirschmann, Assistant Director School Discipline

Dr. Horner, University of Oregon Professor, stated that the purpose of the training was to receive information on Performance Based Interventions and Supports (PBIS).

PBIS was currently being used in 23,000 schools across the United States, in addition to being used in several other countries. Dr. Horner provided a PowerPoint presentation and defined the purpose and core features of PBIS, defined the potential benefits of implementing PBIS, and reviewed the process for adopting PBIS. Dr. Horner commented that schools should match the culture of their community. The fundamental purpose of PBIS was to make schools more effective, efficient and equitable learning environments for all students. 48% of schools in Oregon were using PBIS. PBIS creates a predictable environment, builds consistency, makes it positive, and offers a safe environment.

Tier I PBIS Core Features include: leadership team, school-wide expectations, a system to acknowledge behavior, consequences for problem behavior, a classroom system, and a data and decision system. PBIS is a foundation for the next generation of education. It takes approximately 2-3 years to implement PBIS in a school district. Dr. Horner explained that PPS has just dabbled with PBIS, and added that it gets easier and cheaper with each year a district uses PBIS. Dr. Horner added that PPS has not committed to PBIS.

Director Rosen stated that he would like to hear from leadership on how PBIS is working. Chair Koehler commented that the District needs to honor the union contracts.

ADJOURN

Chair Koehler adjourned the meeting at 11:13am.

Submitted by:

Caren Huson-Quiniones, Board Clerk
PPS Board of Education