



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 School Board website at <https://www.pps.net/domain/219>.

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Education came to order at 6:35 pm at the call of Chair Amy Kohnstamm in the Board Auditorium at the Blanchard Education Service Center, 501 N. Dixon Street, Portland, Oregon.

Attendance

Present: Chair Kohnstamm; Directors Bailey, Brim-Edwards, DePass, Lowery, Moore, Scott; Student Representative Latterell, Superintendent Guerrero, Interim General Council Liz Large

Absent: None

Business Agenda: Resolutions 6044 through 6048

Resolution 6046 was withdrawn from the Business Agenda. Director Brim-Edward noted for the record, that the board received a memo detailing legal costs incurred in reference to the legal services contract listed in resolution 6044.

Student Comment

None

Public Comment

Maxine Dexter: Health Clinics. PPS parent, son is at West Sylvan, and nurse at Kaiser. Disappointed to hear of Lincoln plan. Understand that the health center was not added because of a lack of interest by providers. No school west of Willamette has a clinic. Student in schools cannot receive birth control. Board should consider alternative staffing.

Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Guerrero shared key priorities that have come up in the work being done for the Student Success Act (SSA), which include social emotional support, aligned systems and structures for Racial Equity, culturally sustaining and engaging curriculum, increased academic supports and targeted interventions, social emotional, mental health and behavioral health supports, culturally-specific student and family supports and expanded community partnerships, equitable access to art, curriculum materials and professional development for educators. Portland Public Schools' graduation rates have gone up, and is slightly above state average and is 80.5% overall. He shared that a Portland General Electric (PGE) partnership donation will allow acceleration of curriculum that explores the effects of climate change. A Verizon partnership to bring technology enhanced instruction at four schools which includes, devices that are connected at school and also can be taken home, and every student being provided internet at home. The grant also includes technology specialists and professional development for teachers at each school. He recognized the all city choir.

Board Endorsement of Rosa Parks Transit Day

Director Moore introduced a Trimet resolution that was passed naming Rosa Parks' birthday a Transit Equity Day starting on 02/04/2021, on which all rides will be free, and stated that Portland Public School endorses the Resolution.

Resolution 6049: Annual Multnomah Education Service District Resolution Process

Multnomah Educational Service District (MESD) Superintendent Sam Bryer shared an overview of services that are provided to Portland Public Schools by MESD, as well as an explanation of funding. He noted that service plans are decided in partnership with the district, and are required to be adopted by each district annually, and that the plan is not a commitment. He share the types of support provided to Portland Public Schools, and the percentage of the whole of funds that are spent in that area, which are Instructional Services (12%), Special Education Services (13%), School Health Services (30%), and Administrative Support (5%), with 40% of the transit dollars going directly to the district.

There was discussion regarding what school health services are currently provided, and whether or not they can be changed to provide more services that would cover some of the services that are traditionally provided by School Health Centers. Mr. Bryer stated that they will be looking into expanded services.

Mr. Bryer shared that they will be providing technical support to districts to help implement Student Success Act plans, but that is funded separately from the Student Investment Account.

Resolution 6050: Portland Public Schools Adoption of Construction Career Pathways (C2P2) Regional Framework

Raahi Reddy, Director of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion at Metro shared an overview of the Construction Career Pathways. She shared that the program works to increase career opportunities for people of color and women. She shared the pathway apprenticeship which leads to a completed certificate, which allows employees to become journey person, supervisor or contractor. They are additionally working to create training to create on the job culture that is more inclusive. Courtney Westling provided an overview of the C2P2 Framework, which included what Portland Public Schools is doing in each category. There was discussion regarding PPS and what can be done to support and align with the framework.

Charter School and Alternative Program Committee

Director Lowery shared that the Charter School and Alternative Program Committee has been looking at Charters renewals and extensions, noting that they have visited or will be visiting all four schools in the process. There will be a public hearing on Feb 18, 2020 for KairosPDX and the Portland Village School, both of which are requesting a charter renewal. She noted that the committee will be providing a recommendation to the board at the March 3rd meeting.

Multiple Pathways to Graduation Design Advisory Group

Director Brim-Edwards attended the Multiple Pathways to Graduation Design Advisory Group and shared that they are working together to define shared space, while serving their specific student's needs. She noted that there is an update needed to the resolution that will align it with what is actually being built and which will acknowledge that the Teen Parent Administrative Offices will be accommodated in the building.

Intergovernmental Task Force

Director Moore shared that the task force did not meet, but she provided an overview of relative topics that are or are set to be discussed during the short session. She noted that they will be watching three bills, noting that two are technical fixes to legislation from last session on Senate Bill 1520 correcting language in the Nutrition Services portion of the Student Success Act, and 1522 which is a technical fix to Senate Bill 155 which clarifies language regarding sexual conduct, and House Bill 4039 which is new

legislation regarding services and housing, which seeks increasing unaccompanied youth access to housing.

Public Comment on Action Items

None

Following Items were Approved by the Board

- Business Agenda: Resolutions 6044 through 6048
- Resolution 6049: Annual Multnomah Education Service District Resolution Process
- Resolution 6050: Portland Public Schools Adoption of Construction Career Pathways (C2P2) Regional Framework

Policies for First Reading:

- District Funds for Purchase of Gifts, Meals, and Refreshments 8.30.010-P.
The Public Comment Period is open for 21 days. The second reading will be on March 3rd 2020.

Following Items were Not Approved by the Board

- None

Adjourn

Chair Kohnstamm adjourned the meeting at 8:40 pm.

The Next regular meeting of the Board of Education is scheduled to be held February 25, 2020.