

PORTLAND PUBLIC SCHOOLS 11/09/23

CLIMATE CRISIS RESPONSE COMMITTEE MEETING OVERVIEW

The purpose of this document is to provide an overview of the Climate Crisis Response Committee meeting. In accordance with ORS 192.650, the official Committee Meeting Minutes are maintained via video recording and may be viewed at https://www.youtube.com/user/ppscomms

A meeting of the Climate Crisis Response Committee came to order at 5:30 pm at the call of Charity Fain. This meeting was held virtually and was also available for the public to join virtually.

Attendance

There were present:

Committee Members
Charity Fain (Committee Chair)
Angela Long
Dianne Riley
Jane Comeault
Issac Barrow
Eric Opsahl
Julia Brim-Edwards - not present
Barbi Alexander - not present
Tess Nestel

Diego Romero
Other Attendees

Kat Davis, Advisor on Climate Justice
Jesse Nienow-Macke, Climate Justice Project Coordinator
Rosie Goity, Climate Justice Project Coordinator

Agenda

Time Started Agenda Title

I. 5:30 pm Welcome & Introductions

II. 5:45 pm Public Comment

III. 5:50 pm Staff Report

IV. 6:10 pm Committee Discussion: Roles & Responsibilities of the CCRC

V. 6:40 pm Action Items and Wrap Up

Student and Public Comment

N/A

Committee Reports, Updates, and Discussions

Staff report (Kat Davis)

- District work is still in progress with the exception of direct work with students
- Envisio dashboard update (more fleshed out KPIs by Jan. CCRC meeting)
- Decarb contract update (engagement series/pathways put on pause, due to discussion around setting priorities) more clear update by Jan meeting
- Community design team, PPS Innovation Studio, kick off Jan. 26
 - Update in Jan. CCRC meeting

Roles & Responsibilities: Committee Discussion

- Community oversight committee, advisory capacity to the Board (emergent and in process, don't have a set bond budget)
- Committee Charter document review
- The Committee is not included in the creation RFP (request for proposal) or contracting
- Committee feels left out of the process, specifically related to the Decarb Contract. Would have liked to have at least been able to have a voice, especially when it comes to ensuring frontline community representation.
- Conversation about what the Committee hopes to accomplish this year.
 - Possible survey within CCRC on what actions are a priority for this year
- Present to the Board about Purchasing
- Interest in student perspective on classroom conditions could be very valuable

Action items and wrap up

- Have a conversation with Board Representative, Julia Brim-Edwards to identify prioritizing temperature concerns in classrooms
 - Provide summary/meeting minutes of points made in this meeting before sending a specific report to the Board

Summary of Committee Recommendations

- Provide a best practices when addressing/collaborating with outside, community partners apart of contracting (systems wide change)
- Importance of transparency with work being done, especially to address indoor environmental health issues
- Reminder that Climate Justice work needs to be taken into consideration in budget talks
- More open communication with the board
- Have meeting minutes to review from previous meetings
 - Share meeting minutes with Board to keep them updated on discussions

Adjourn
Charity Fain adjourned the meeting at 7:01pm.
Submitted by: