Portland Public Schools District 1J, Multnomah County, Oregon Board of Education's Health, Safety and Accessibility Committee

June 6, 2017 Informal Minutes

The meeting of the Board's Health, Safety and Accessibility Committee convened on the above date at 9:07 am pm at the call of Chair Amy Mike Rosen in the Wy'East Conference Room of the Blanchard Education Service Center, 501 N. Dixon St., Portland, OR 97227.

There were present:

Board

Mike Rosen-Chair Julie Esparza Brown Amy Kohnstamm

Staff

Jere High-Director, Operations and Maintenance
John Burnham-Interim Senior Director Environmental Safety
Dan Jung-Senior Director, Office of School Modernization
Mike Williams-Contractor, Day CPM
Harry Esteve-Director, Strategic Communications and External Affairs
David Mayne-Bond Communications Manager
Rosanne Powell-Senior Board Manager

Others

Shasta Kearns Moore-Reporter, Portland Tribune

2017 Health and Safety Bond Short-Term Plans

John Burnham stated they plan to complete the short term Health and Safety Plan over the next few months. He shared a template they will use to create and communicate those plans and asked for feedback.

Roofs – Seismic Strengthening Short-Term Plan

Jere High walked the committee through the roof replacement timeline. Director Kohnstamm asked how much it cost to replace the Cleveland High School roof. He answered that it was between three and four million dollars. They continue to update the timeline as assessments are completed and they can modify future planning based one what they know. They had to change the date of the Rigler roof replacement after they did not receive any bids for the project. The project priority list continues to shift. There were questions about seismic bracing form the Committee. Dan Jung shared how seismic retrofitting occurs. The committee agreed they preferred to have the long term planned communicated in a more succinct document.

Classroom Drinking Fixture Remediation

It was shared with the committee there have been some classroom drinking fountains that have not been officially turned back on and have been found to be have the covers removed. Custodial staff have been addressing this. Mike Williams shared some options for replacing classroom drinking fixtures. Replace all fixtures, cap them off outlet, or make them American with Disabilities Act (ADA) compliant. There was discussion on whether classroom fountains are needed if there are fountains available in hallways. It was noted that not all hallway fountains may be ADA compliant but there is at least one at each floor of each building. There was also discussion on the needs of water access in classrooms based on grade level including a mandate to have sinks in Head Start classrooms. Dan Jung stated that they initially given direction to replace and turn on fixtures in common areas. The committee wants to figure out where we do not have enough common area fountains that are ADA accessible and if there are fountains in

classrooms that are going to be changed out, to make them ADA accessible. There are new testing protocols and requirements coming out that may change results. The actual number of faucets that tested above the action level numbers were quite low.

Shasta Kerns stated she though fixtures newer than 1986 should be lead free. John Burnham stated that what they are finding out so far, is that most issues are found between the fixture to the wall to the angle stop. There is now have a different protocol for flushing pipes. The committee thought that turning on fixtures in classrooms and hallways that already tested fine was a good direction to go and to replace those that did not, including those located in classrooms. There were questions about whether adapting cabinetry in classrooms would come out of the ADA transition plan budget or the water fixture budget. Dan Jung did not think that it would be a top priority in the ADA transition plan as long as the District meets the requirements by having one ADA compliant drinking fountain at each building level.

Chair Mike Rosen adjourned the meeting at 10:32 am.	
Submitted by:	
Rosanne Powell, Board Manager	