



APRIL 28, 2015 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 6:03pm at the call of Co-Chair Ruth Adkins in the Board Auditorium of the Blanchard Education Service Center, 501 N. Dixon St, Portland, Oregon.

Attendance:

Present: Co-Chair Adkins; Directors Belisle, Buel, Regan, and Morton; Student Representative Jayaswal; Superintendent Smith.
Absent: Directors Knowles and Koehler.

Partnership Recognition:

The following partnerships were recognized: Portland Workforce Alliance, ACE Mentor Program, and Worksystems.

Student Testimony

Sid Reed: History class did not include information on Pacific Islanders
Kris Nine: Bigger conversations around current events around the world need to occur in History classes.
Brad Subramaniam: Critical thinking needs to be encouraged by teachers and education needs to start with the family.

Public Comment

Dave Porter: Multi-lingual workforce will be needed for Portland's economic future.
Jamal Darr: Education gaps for Somali children; they need a visionary. Community has formed a Task Force to work with the District.
Greg Burrill: Feels we are all doing the very best we can with what we have been given. He will forward his educational vision to the Board.

Comments from the Portland Association of Teachers (PAT)

Suzanne Cohen, Vice-President of PAT: mentioned their grievance win regarding the high school schedule. Modified 5 of 7 block is preferred by teachers. If a schedule is just going to be imposed by the District, then just go ahead and do it.

The Following Reports were presented to the Board:

- Teacher Appreciation Week
- Superintendent's Report
- Student Representative's Report

The Board approved the following items:

- Resolution 5072: Celebrating National Teacher Appreciation Week May 4 through 8, 2015
- Resolution 5073: Approving the Request for Extension of the Charter Agreement with The Emerson Public Charter School
- Resolution 5074: Approving Renewal of the Charter Agreement with Le Monde Immersion for the Operation of Le Monde French Immersion Public Charter School
- Resolution 5075: Approving Renewal of the Charter Agreement with SEI for the Operation of EI Academy Public Charter School
- Resolution 5076: Response to Step 3 Complaint
- Resolution 5077: Support of Safe Routes to School Program
- Revised Business Agenda

Adjourn

Co-Chair Adkins adjourned the meeting at 9:12pm.

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