



MARCH 7, 2017 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 Vice-Chair Amy Kohnstamm in the Board Auditorium of the Blanchard Education Service Center, 501 N. Dixon Street, Portland, Oregon.

Attendance

Present: Vice-Chair Kohnstamm; Directors Anthony, Knowles, Buel, Rosen and Esparza Brown; Student Representative Bradley; Interim Superintendent Bob McKean
Absent: Chair Koehler

Student Performance: Hosford Middle School Band

Chair Kohnstamm thanked Music Director Scott Johnson and the Hosford Middle School Band for performing at the Board Meeting.

Student Testimony

Ten Students from the Portland Student Action Network stated their demands of the Board:

- Student Equity Teams formed at each school
- Address the issue of school names such as Jackson and Jefferson
- Make recruiting and retaining teachers of color a priority
- Inclusive and comprehensive sex education with adoption of curriculums that are welcoming; need to teach students how to use menstrual materials
- Discussions in the classroom on how to use a condom and contraceptives
- Support and protection of LGBTQ students
- Gender neutral bathrooms at all schools
- Safety for undocumented students
- Mitigate student suspensions and expulsions; no School Resource Officers in the schools
- More services and policies needed for physical and mental disability students

Public Comment

- State Senator Lew Frederick: spoke of the passing of former Board Member Sue Hagemeyer.
- Gabrielle Mercedes Bolivar: advocated for all students regardless of socio-economic status; PIL sports and activities are a pathway for many students; and, celebrated student successes.
- Olessia Bordioug, Inna Opanasyuk, and William Comer all spoke in support of the Russian Dual Language Immersion Program
- Lisa Zuniga: move the Japanese Residency Program from the spring to the summer as it is an equity issue. Only 5 students at Mt. Tabor be in a classroom if the program occurs in the spring.
- Rajiv Ali and Sam Gollah: members of the Equity Contracting Advisory Committee, submitted recommendations in the following areas: Minority, Women, Emerging Small Business and Services Disabled Veterans owned businesses; support in the areas of policies, directives and practices; and recommendations on the bond proposal

Student Representative's Report

Representative Bradley mentioned that she will work with SuperSAC on the demands made by the Portland Student Action Network.

Superintendent's Report

Superintendent McKean included the following items in his report: Vernon Tree Planting; Snow Days restored; EPA Energy Star nine schools recognized; Grant Constitution Team; Benson Tech Show; Lincoln's *Mission: Citizen* Program; George Middle School's Bravo Youth Orchestra; the PPS Pulse; and the leaving of Deputy Superintendent Chris Russo at the end of the school year.

Classified and Non-Representative Employee Appreciation

The Board recognized the work of Classified and Non-Represented employees.

Action Items

KairosPDX Charter School Renewal

Public Comment:

Ronnie Herndon: KairosPDX was doing a good job and we should support and learn from them. They are not a threat to public education.

Trillium Charter School Renewal

Public Comment

None received.

The following Reports were presented to the Board:

Quarterly Update: Bond Accountability Committee

Quarterly Update: 2012 Capital Improvement Bond

Business Agenda

Public Comment

Kerri Starns, Bend Hildner and Tony Bertrand all testified to keeping Mr. Bertrand as a school administrator.

The Board Approved the Following Items

Resolution 5412: Approving Renewal of the Charter Agreement with KairosPDX Learning Academy

Resolution 5419: Approval of a Memorandum of Understanding with the Portland Association of Teachers regarding conversion of two planning days to instructional days and the Extension of the Instruction Calendar
Resolution 5420: Approving next steps for Superintendent Vetting Process
Business Agenda

Adjourn

Chair Kohnstamm adjourned the meeting at 9:37pm.

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