



**APRIL 5, 2016 MEETING OVERVIEW**

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*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 7:09pm at the call of Chair Tom Koehler in the Board Auditorium of the Blanchard Education Service Center, 501 N. Dixon St, Portland, Oregon.

**Attendance:**

Present: Chair Koehler; Vice-Chair Kohnstamm; Directors Anthony, Buel, Esparza Brown, Knowles, and Rosen; Student Representative Davidson; Superintendent Smith

**Student Testimony**

Jonah Kim: spoke on the importance of ethnic studies in high schools.

**Public Comment:**

Lynn Brown: All boundary proposals were short-term fixes that need long-term planning beginning now.

The process has not been a positive one and has pitted communities against one another. All children across the city deserve a great education and all programs deserve to thrive.

Markland Fountain: The latest boundary scenario for Ainsworth has the most positive educational outcomes and relieves Chapman overcrowding; asked the Board to consider dual assignment for Bridlemile.

Rosario Arellano: Asked the Board to take proactive measures for security of all students. There is only one security camera at Madison who has experienced shootings and two fires. More security cameras were needed at Madison.

Yolanda Cabrera: Please take the safety of students more seriously at Madison. She asked the Board if they were waiting for a fatal tragedy to occur before they place more cameras at Madison.

Celestina Carrada: Communication with parents was not working as it should. Non-english speakers were informed the day after incidents at Madison, while English speaking families were notified the day of the incidents. Asked the Board to consider investing more funds to create a bi-lingual communication system for emergency situations.

Chris Nelson: Stated that Kairos PDX Public Charter School would like to co-located at Humboldt with the ACCESS program.

Director Kohnstamm asked staff to respond to the concerns regarding Madison High School and to brief the Board on where we stand. In addition, she would like Security to look into security systems.

**Public Hearings:**

- Roosevelt MakerSpace

Public Comment:

Eileen Brady: well thought out proposal.

Charles McGee: exciting opportunity for kids in the community

Sue Haley: partnership with Vigor will provide more skilled workers locally

Filip Hristic: excited about the opportunities this proposal presents to Roosevelt students

Tony Jones: Metropolitan Contractors Improvement Partnership supports the efforts and Investments

Donna Cohen: supportive of proposed resolution.

Joseph Purkey: CPPS was supportive of the proposed resolution.

Ted Wolf: all premium dollars should be treated with the same caution as citizen investment and reminded the Board that once the last bonds are sold, there would be no future dollars from the 2012 bond.

Kevin Spellman: Members of the Bond Accountability Committee are unanimous in asking the Board to not pass the resolution at this time. Their concerns relate to fiscal responsibility and restraint. PPS was only in year 3 of an 8-year bond program and 30% of the proceeds have already been spent. Contingencies were shrinking fast. If PPS runs out of money, there would be no ADA work or seismic work as identified in the 2012 bond documentation.

- Charter School Contract Extensions for Arthur Academy, Emerson and Opal  
Public Comment:  
None received
- Open Ockley Green Middle School in 2016-17  
Public Comment:  
None received

**The Board approved the following items:**

- Resolution 5242: Authorizing Amendment to the Approved Master Plan and Schematic Design of Roosevelt High School to Include Makerspace and Authorizing use of 2012 Capital Bond Program Funds for this Effort
- Resolution 5243: Approving the Request of Extension of the Charter Agreement with The Arthur