



APRIL 10, 2018 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 6:10pm at the call of Board Chair Julia Brim-Edwards in the Board Auditorium at the Blanchard Education Service Center, 501 N. Dixon Street, Portland, Oregon.

Attendance

Present: Chair Brim-Edwards; Vice-Chair Esparza Brown, Vice-Chair Moore; Directors Anthony, Bailey, Kohnstamm, and Rosen; Student Representative Tran; Superintendent Guerrero; Interim General Counsel Large.

Recognition

The Board recognized Courtney Westling, Director of Government Relations, for putting together the PPS Legislative Policy and creating a House Bill that was signed by the Governor. The Board also recognized the Jefferson Students who attended the 2018 State Mock Trial Championship.

Board Policies

The Board held a Second Reading on each of the following Board Policies: Anti-Harassment, Teen Dating Violence, and School Naming Policy. The Board held a First Reading on the Complaint Policy.

Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Guerrero's report included: the Governor signed a net neutrality bill at Mt. Tabor, he attended the Carnegie Summit for Learning; staff was deep in processing the central office budgets; reorganization was taking place in the central office; Lincoln will be hosting a statewide high school conference; and, Martin Luther King Jr. School celebrated the 50th anniversary of its renaming.

Student and Public Comment

Sara Mohammed, Alia Najem, Saja Abu Hamdeh, and Mohammed Ali all testified on the importance of having an Arabic immersion program in PPS.

Christopher Marquardt: a teacher at Pioneer, stated that the Pioneer Program was exposed to discrimination. It took 4 months to be heard by the Board and the Superintendent, and the Superintendent never apologized for how he approached Pioneer. Parents have filed a Civil Rights violation.

Grace Groom: has two students attending ACCESS and had concerns about under enrollment at schools that have many underserved students. MLKJr will have just one classroom per grade next year. Isolation leads to less supports, and separate is not equal. MLKJr should have two sessions per grade.

Robin Harris: parent of a 5th grader in the Scott Spanish immersion program. Thanked the Board for opening Roseway Heights and Tubman in the fall, and urged the Board to dust off the equity lens when considering middle school scheduling.

Adjourn

Chair Brim-Edwards adjourned the meeting at 11:18pm.

In accordance with ORS 192.650, the District's official School Board meeting minutes are maintained via video recording, which can be viewed at <https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PL8CC942A46270A16E>. The agenda and back-up materials for this meeting can be accessed at <http://www.pps.k12.or.us/departments/board/7862.htm>. Please contact the School Board Office at 503-916-3741 for questions