



BOARD OF EDUCATION
SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1J, MULTNOMAH COUNTY, OREGON

SEPTEMBER 25, 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 6:07pm at the call of Board Chair Rita Moore in the Board Auditorium at the Blanchard Education Service Center, 501 N. Dixon Street, Portland, Oregon.

Attendance

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

Student Performance / Proclamation: Hispanic Heritage Month

The Board proclaimed September 15 through October 15, 2018, as Hispanic Heritage Month. Lent School's Ballet Papalotl performed in honor of Hispanic Heritage Month.

Student and Public Comment

Natalie Rocha: 2017 graduate of Mt. Scott Learning Center, thanked the Board for their support of Mt. Scott. After switching from a comprehensive PPS high school, she opened her mind to Mt. Scott, and Mt. Scott helped her every step of the way. She now sees a future for herself in nursing.

Carly Shulibow: graduate of Mt. Scott Learning Center, stated that she had struggled to learn in a large public school. She needed a smaller learning environment, and the school helped her succeed. It changes lives.

Zaza Walsh and Harper Williams: thanked the Board for opening Harriet Tubman Middle School, but their friend Julia is not given the support she needs in school; she needs a Paraeducator. Julia's friends because they are in a different program.

Genevieve Scott: Alliance uses a small portion of Benson and they are not treated equally. Public school sounds like a nightmare to her due to her high anxiety.

Joanna Vausberg: art teacher at Alliance, stated that three years ago they were consulted about the remodel of Benson, but just learned recently that they will not be included in the Benson Campus. Alliance has a reconnection service and brings students in and gets them ready to go into comprehensive high schools. Alliance addresses their emotion and social needs. Benson is a centrally located area for Alliance students.

Alena Vance: spoke on behalf of Alliance High School. She is a Vanport descendent and second generation Jefferson graduate. Her child graduated from Alliance and is a prodigy artist. Her daughter has anxiety issues, but that does not mean she does not deserve to have a high school diploma. Her daughter fell through the cracks at Grant and Alliance was very beneficial to her daughter.

James Posey: the District was making progress in using minority contractors on their bond projects. There is a concern from the girls' basketball team at Benson. The District was taking away their ability to use the gym and prohibiting them from attending distance athletics. We can't give enough

Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Guerrero reported on the following: visiting schools; "Shadow a Student" event in September; Reconnect occurred the previous weekend; PPS has just under 50,000 students enrolled; significant growth in the high schools and the District was paying millions of dollars to meet class sizes; and, Board Student Representative Nick Paesler will serve on a national student panel in Baltimore and will represent the Pacific Northwest.

Action Items

- x Alternative Contracting Method: Kellogg and Benson
Public Comment
None

Reports to the Board

- x Fall Enrollment and Staffing
- x Student Representative Paesler reported on attending Student Voice in Salem, and that the Student Council social media platform was up and running.
- x Director Anthony reported that OSBA had met to discuss a Board seat for members of color, and reported on a financial literacy program for K-12.

The Board Approved the Following Items:

- x Resolution 5728: Kellogg Middle School Project: Exemption from Competitive Bidding and Authorization for Use of a Two-Step (Request for Qualifications followed by Invitation to Bid) Alternative Contracting Method.
- x Resolution 5729: Benson Polytechnic High School Modernization Project: Exemption from Competitive Bidding and Authorization for Use of a Construction Manager/General Contractor Alternative Contracting Method
- x Business Agenda
- x Nomination of Director Anthony to serve on the OSBA Board of Directors

Student Representative Report