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OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
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A Study Session of the Board of Education came to order at 6:01pm at the call of Co-Chair Greg Belisle in the Board Auditorium of the Blanchard Education Service Center, 501 N. Dixon St, Portland, Oregon.

There were present:

Pam Knowles
Ruth Adkins
Bobbie Regan
Trudy Sargent
Martin Gonzalez, Co-Chair
Matt Morton
Greg Belisle, Co-Chair

Alexia Garcia, Student Representative

Staff

Carole Smith, Superintendent
Caren Huson-Quiniones, Board Senior Specialist

PUBLIC COMMENT

Jan Zuckerman, a teacher at Sunnyside, asked the Board to help examine their current enrollment and transfer policies based on the 2013-14 enrollment of the District's Equity Policy. (r)63.9(sboc0.2 72 412.74 3Tis)5.nn18OARDhm)

Karen Shay stated that she wanted true equity for ACCESS and no longer wants a lottery to exist for the

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The Superintendent RECOMMENDED adoption of the following item:

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During the Committee of the Whole, Director Knowles moved and Director Morton seconded the motion to adopt the above numbered item. The motion was put to a voice vote and passed unanimously (vote: 7-yes, 0-no; with Student Representative Garcia voting yes, unofficial).

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RESOLUTION NO. 4749

Resolution in Support of Measure 26-150: Renewing the Portland Children's Levy

RECITALS

- A. Measure 26-150: The Portland Children's Levy would continue to support proven programs designed to help children arrive at school ready to learn, provide safe and constructive after school activities for kids, help foster children, and prevent child abuse and neglect. If renewed, a fifth focus would be added: preventing child hunger.
- B. Measure 26-150 will continue to help over 14,000 of Portland's neediest children, 50% of whom live in extreme poverty with a household income at or below the Federal Poverty Level.
- C. The Children's Levy will continue to raise funds at the rate of \$0.4026 per \$1,000 of assessed property value, the same rate voters approved in 2002 and renewed in 2008.
- D. Measure 26-150 is solely dedicated to helping children in Portland. Portland Children's Levy funds can only be used for:
 - x **Child abuse prevention and intervention:** addressing juvenile crime, school failure, drug and alcohol abuse and homeless youth.
 - x Early childhood programs: making childcare more affordable and preparing children for success in school.
 - x **After school, summer and mentoring programs:** promoting academic achievement, reducing the number of juveniles victimized by crime and increasing graduation rates.
 - x **Children in foster care programs:** helping foster children succeed who have been abused and neglected.
 - x **Addressing child hunger:** improving children's access to nutritious meals, leading to improved health and academic success.
- E. The Portland Children's Levy has proven itself accountable to the taxpayers of the City of Portland by:
 - x Funding only proven, cost-effective programs
 - x Capping administrative costs at or below 5%
 - x Undergoing annual independent audits
 - x Allocating funds through a 5-person citizens' oversight committee

RESOLUTION

The Board of Education for Portland Public Schools supports Measure 26-150 because of its dedication to supporting Portland's children and its success in providing proven programs designed to help children arrive at school ready to learn, provide safe and constructive after school alternatives for kids, help foster children and prevent child abuse and neglect and family violence.