

School Board Business Meeting

May 8, 2019 • 7:00pm

Fairview City Hall, 1300 NE Village St., Fairview, OR



What Happened?

School Spotlight

Principal Ashley Furlong from Davis Elementary spoke about changing school culture starting three years ago with Mind Up, which teaches kids strategies for calming down; a year and a half ago they also brought in Kimochis, which are communication tools that help kids manage feelings in positive ways. The school is also working on a mural that an artist is creating with input from the students. The ideas of 10 students are being featured, and the mural is about halfway done. The Hartley presentation was postponed due to illness and will take place at the June meeting.

Volunteer/Community Partner Recognition

This month's community partner was Synergo, who provide challenge course experiences for RLA students and staff to help foster a supportive, inclusive, and accepting school community. Training Manager Kevin Trump accepted the reward on behalf of the organization.

High School Reporters

The Reynolds High School (RHS) reporter spoke to the board about their upcoming Prom at the Portland Art Museum, the recent International Fashion Show, the success of the girls' softball team, and the Run for Joseph Jog-a-Thon. The Reynolds Learning Academy (RLA) reporter was not present. Board Chair Tewksbury presented certificates of thanks and gifts to the student representatives for sharing with the board throughout the year.

Members of the Public

No community members spoke to the board.

Presentation to the Board

Government Affairs Administrator Stacy Michaelson from MESD gave an update on the progress of the Student Success bill and the related budget bills waiting on a vote from the floor. She also spoke about the state lottery bonds bill and funding for the proposed school-based health center.

Board Reports

Board Chair Tewksbury spoke about upcoming dates: the budget committee meeting on May 9, the work session on May 22, and the board meeting on June 12; the work session on June 19 has been canceled. She also shared that any board members interested in attending the summer board conference on July 19-21 in Bend, OR should notify Connie Philibert.

Superintendent's Reports

Dr. Diaz spoke about the upcoming retreat with PCG, who are working on the central office transformation plan; cabinet members will work on a timeline for implementing the recommendations and a communications plan for sharing the information with staff. She shared that Cabinet members are doing a second round of equity training later this month, and additional staff will begin their customer service training. She related her experience filming with MetroEast for a piece about her Listening and Learning sessions, and her excitement to attend her first Hispanic Chamber of Commerce event later this week.

Assistant Superintendent Frank Caropelo introduced Tara Dubois to speak about social sciences pilot in grades 6-12, and other school staff presented on chronic absenteeism initiatives in various schools. Deputy CEO Rachel Hopper gave the enrollment and financial reports. Stephanie Field, Director of Communications and Community Relations, spoke about recent community events and upcoming initiatives and plans for the end of the school year.

Consent Agenda

It was moved to approve the consent agenda as presented. The board voted and the agenda was approved unanimously.

Action Items

No action items were presented to the board.

BOARD GOALS

#1 Student Achievement

#2 Equity

#3 Fiscal Responsibility

#4 Communication

Upcoming School Board Meetings

Wednesday, June 12 at 6:00pm

Wednesday, July 10 at 6:00pm

Wednesday, August 14 at 6:00pm

Wednesday, September 11 at 6:00pm

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