

**Meeting of the School Board  
David Douglas School District No. 40  
May 9, 2019**

A regular meeting of the David Douglas School Board was held on Thursday, May 9, 2019 at 7:00pm in the David Douglas School District Board Room, 1500 SE 130<sup>th</sup> Ave, Portland, OR 97233.

**School Board Members present were:** Frieda Christopher, Board Chair; Bryce Anderson, Donna Barber, Christine Larsen, Kyle Riggs, and Stephanie D. Stephens.

**Also present were:** Ken Richardson, Superintendent/Clerk; Candy Wallace, Assistant Superintendent; Patt Komar, Director of Administrative Services; Derek Edens, Director of Assessment & Technology; Brooke O'Neill, Director of Curriculum & Instruction; Kelly Devlin, Director of ESL & Equity; Mary Pearson, Director of Student Services; Andy Long, Director of PK-12 Education, and Laurie Brunelle, Board Secretary.

The agenda included consideration of the following:

**Call to Order / Flag Salute**

**Student Body President's Report** – ASB Representative Jared Cetz reported on high school activities.

- Mr. Cetz will be the ASB President for the 2019-20 school Year.
- International Week was held April 22-26 celebrating our District's diversity.
- A Recognition Assembly and Latino Student Union Dance was held on May 3rd.
- The Community Garden is growing and ideas around environmental awareness for students is being planned.
- ASB had their Mt. Hood Region meeting to meet other ASB members from 7-8 different schools.
- Students participated in "Deaf for a Day" wearing earplugs for 24 hours to empathize with the deaf community.

**Attendee's Input**

Finn Von Ragan, Hayden Wallace and Arlington Cummins, district students

- Students need more recess to be healthy and get exercise.

Jenaya Atencio, district student

- Plastic pollution in the ocean and solutions to clean it up.

Felix Locker, district student

- Clubs for allies and LGBTQ+ in elementary schools.

Kyra Knapp, district student

- Unfair to add a day to the student calendar due to teacher walkout day.

Chris Conklin, district parent

- Requesting help for Mill Park Elementary.

**Visiting Delegations** – Susan Olds, West Powellhurst Principal and Lena Fox, SUN Site Coordinator presented on the STEM Technology Grant.

- **What** - STEAM Grant was awarded to Metropolitan Family Service for West Powellhurst by East Metro STEM Partnership.
- **Why** – We want our students to see themselves as scientists, engineers, artists, mathematicians and feel confident working with technology while building real world connections with their learning.
- **How** – A team approach – SUN and West Powellhurst students worked together to decide the study pathway.
- The \$24,900 Grant was intended for students that are underserved in STEAM curriculum.
- Student activities from Off Site Learning and On Site Learning were shared with the Board.

**Recognition - Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month Proclamation**

Ms. Christopher presented the District's first Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month Proclamation. This proclamation serves as an accountability mechanism for District leadership to address the many inequities our Asian American and Pacific Islander students and families are facing in our District.

- Jared Cetz, district student - Commented that he has friends that identify with this category and he's happy to see the proclamation because he doesn't think we recognize this community enough.
- Simeon Jacob, APANO Youth Community Organizer – He shared stories and experiences of his youth and helped in the launching of the "Missing Pages of our History" Ethnic Studies campaign in 2016. He said it's an honor to celebrate with us in our first proclamation and to take that first step in acknowledging and educating our students of the accomplishments of contributions to shaping this country.

Mr. Richardson thanked the Board for going through the process to recognize this Heritage Month. He said every student should feel safe, welcome, supported, challenged, and have an identity in our school. Ms. Christopher read the Proclamation.

### **Recognition - Teacher Appreciation Week Proclamation**

Mr. Richardson thanked teachers for their amazing work and for helping students to succeed, thrive, graduate, and be prepared for opportunities after graduation. He read the Proclamation.

### **Superintendent's Report – Mr. Richardson reported to the Board.**

- Required PE minutes - Based on Legislation, the requirement for next year will be 120 minutes at the elementary level. They are currently having discussions in Salem about this and it could change, but as of today, we don't meet that requirement.
- Transportation Grant / Student Bus Passes – We will be applying for this Grant. We've been allocated \$82,000 and are in conversations about how to navigate and plan for this amount. We will have to prioritize who gets the passes.
- Human Resources will host the first Annual Career Fair on May 11th at Fir Ridge Campus. This is an invitation to our community, staff, and the public to learn about working in a school district and to be informed of current and future job opportunities.
- Your Voice Matters Family Engagement will be held on May 14th at David Douglas High School's South Cafeteria. Topic will be on social media and students.
- The District will host its first Annual Retirement Celebration on May 28th at the Ron Russell Commons. This is an opportunity to recognize our employees' dedication, loyalty, and years of service.
- Follow-up on presentation last month from Grow Portland – A new funding amount of \$1,000 was requested and is currently being explored.
- 27 individuals, which included administrators, teachers, and classified employees participated in the first round of Principal interviews today.
- OnPoint's Special Recognitions:
  - Michelle Colbert, Fir Ridge Campus - Winner of the 2019 Circle of Excellence Award.
  - Francesca Aultman, Gilbert Heights - Finalist for the 2019 Educator of the Year Award.
- Student Success Act has been voted through the House and we are waiting for it to be voted through the Senate. We are tracking House Bill 3427 and 5047.

### **Financial Report – Ms Komar gave the Board a financial update.**

- May reconciliations increased the amount expected for 17-18 by about \$45,000. The 18-19 update was down about \$203,000.
- \$16.1 million is still our projected ending fund balance.
- Technology Fund – We have not heard if we will receive any additional pass-through from MESD for e-rate.
- Capital Projects – We are moving forward with the Ventura Park Boiler.

**Consent Agenda – Mr. Riggs moved to pull the Resolution Authorizing Amendment No. 1 to the 2018-19 Budget for School District No. 40 for discussion, seconded by Ms. Stephens. The motion approved in a vote of 6-0. Mr. Riggs moved approval of the remaining Consent Agenda Items, seconded by Ms. Larsen. The motion approved in a vote of 6-0.**

- Approval of April Board Meeting Minutes
- Personnel Recommendations
- Purchasing Approvals 2019-20
- Contract Approvals 2019-20
- Resolution to Participate in the Local Government Investment Pool
- Resolution to Appoint Budget Officer
- Resolution for Interfund Borrowing
- Resolution for Facsimile Signatures for US Bank
- Resolution Appointing Clerk, Deputy Clerk and Designating Depositories for school Funds for Fiscal Year 2019-20
- Approval of Crime Insurance Limits

### **Discussion:**

Mr. Riggs asked at what point is the debt one full FTE and how close are we? Ms. Komar replied that we are there. Last week it was at \$122,000 and we are taking an additional year beyond when the debt was incurred to try and recoup. Mr.

Riggs moved approval of the Resolution Authorizing Amendment No. 1 to the 2018-19 Budget for School District No.40, seconded by Ms. Larsen. The motion approved in a vote of 6-0.

### **Social Studies Textbook Adoption**

Brooke O'Neill, Director of Curriculum and Instruction, Joe Cornett, David Douglas High School Teacher, Jaime Robillard, Ron Russell Teacher, Abbe Neal, Representative from National Geographic, and Teresa Miller, Representative from McGraw Hill presented on the Social Studies Textbook Adoption.

- This is a split adoption with National Geographic and McGraw Hill.
- The District follows the State Adoption process which is based on a seven year adoption cycle.
- The adoption process begins in August.
  - 8/29 – Standards training
  - 11/27 – Instructional materials caravan
  - 12/14 – 1st meeting – priorities and questions
  - 2/8 – 2nd meeting – publisher presentations
  - 2/11-4/26 – Implement 4-6 lessons from each selected publisher and student surveys
  - 4/30 – Decision day and professional learning plan
  - 5/9 – School Board presentation
  - 5/28 – Training
- A new strand has been included in the standards titled Multicultural Studies.
  - Multicultural Studies is a distinct domain to ensure that students explore, analyze, and explain the social science of various individual and groups, particularly members of society traditionally underrepresented and marginalized.
- There are many benefits to following the state approved adopted list and this year we have decided to follow this. Supporting Criteria/Instructional Practices below:
  - Standards alignment – focus, rigor, coherence
  - Student engagement
  - Differentiated instruction
  - Extensions and educator support
  - Monitoring student progress
- Teachers were able to implement the curriculum in their classrooms and both teachers and students were able to provide feedback.

Ms. Stephens moved approval of Social Studies Textbook Adoption, seconded by Mr. Anderson. The motion approved in a vote of 6-0.

### **Board Meeting Procedures Discussion –First Reading**

Ms. Christopher announced this will not be a full discussion on procedures. This is a first reading of Board Policies.

- Policy BDDC - Board Meeting Agenda
- Policy BDDG - Minutes of Board Meetings
- Policy BDDH - Public Participation in Board Meetings
  - Policy BDDG
    - Mr. Riggs suggested number 4 needs to be defined better.
  - Policy BDDC
    - Mr. Riggs suggested to reconsider the amount of days (14) before a Board meeting to suggest an item be placed on the agenda. Fourteen days is too many.
    - Mr. Riggs suggested to re-word the 3rd sentence in the 3rd paragraph to follow Parliamentary Procedures and Robert's Rules.
  - Policy BDDH
    - Mr. Riggs informed the Board that under the Audience section, 2nd sentence. This statement is not correct because the Board Chair's decision can be appealed by any member of the Board and can be overturned by majority.
    - Mr. Anderson suggested the amount of days before a Board meeting to suggest an item be placed on the agenda should be consistent with Policy BDDC.
    - Mr. Riggs suggested to change the timeframe for individuals who sign-in wishing to speak before the Board in the Audience section, number 6.
    - Ms. Barber suggested having the sign-in sheet be placed outside the door.
    - Ms. Stephens suggested changing the word audience to attendee or community input.

**Other Business / Future Agenda Items**

- Approval of Increase to Waste Management Contract Amount. Mr. Riggs moved approval of the Increase, seconded by Ms. Stephens. The motion approve in a vote of 6-0.

Ms. Christopher announced we will be holding a Board Workshop on May 23rd to discuss board responsibilities and Board Committees. The second Board meetings on July 25th and August 22nd have been cancelled.

**Board Member Reports –**

Ms. Larsen - Thanked John May for the Correlation between Qualifying Math Credits in Ninth Grade and Graduation Outcomes report. The David Douglas Symphony Orchestra is competing in Corvallis today and they won second place.  
Ms. Stephens – She stood on 122nd Glisan with Menlo Park teachers and staff to help support increased education funding.

Ms. Christopher – School Resource Officers are staying in the city budget.

**Committee Reports**

- Equity Committee

Ms. Stephens reported the Committee is refining a draft of a racial equity policy and laying out a template of a resolution. There is a lot of incredible discussion and they are willing to take on equity in the following two ways: Quality Education and Safety and Dignity in Schools.

**Adjournment** - There being no other business, Chair Christopher declared the meeting adjourned.



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Frieda Christopher, Board Chair



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Ken Richardson, Superintendent / Clerk