

POWELL BUTTE COMMUNITY CHARTER SCHOOL

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

September 16, 2021

REGULAR SESSION 6:00 PM

Board Members Present: Sonja Peterson, Kori Urell, Mandee Hamrick, Ben Wolfe, Steve Holliday

Board Members Absent: Robbie Piehl, Tori Dennis

Administration/Staff Present: Jenn O'Shea, Naomi Piehl, Maggie Townsend, Greta Taie, Meridith Foley, Lacey McGillivray

I. Call to Order

Chair Holliday called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

II. Flag Salute

Chair Holliday led the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. Public Comment

Dana Millin- Back to school prayer time is at 7:15 on Wednesdays, she hopes this will support staff, students and the board. Regarding curriculum for Critical Race Theory, will a formal letter go out to parents a week before it is taught? PBCCS does not teach CRT and it is not a part of the curriculum.

Jennifer Rufener - A parent at PBCCS read a letter she wrote to the board.

IV. Consent Agenda

Items listed on the consent agenda were distributed to the board members in advance. It was moved by Hamrick; seconded by Urell; motion carried (4,0) to approve the consent agenda.

A. Minutes: Board Meetings: August 19, 2021

B. Approval to Hire: Annelises Sharpe, K-5 Specials (0.5 FTE), Matt Holland, Building Engineer & Grounds Keeper (1.0 FTE)

V. Financial Report &

A. Rochelle Friend from the HDESD reported the books for the 20-21 school year have been closed and the carry over has been added to the 21-22 budget. In late July the PERS Board met and reduced the rate of return.

B. Grants

- PEEK-8 Grant from ODE for \$50,000

- Grey Family Foundation \$15,000 to integrate geography into the curriculum
- Grant for Summer Learning - O'Shea and Friend will submit final report in October.
- Student Investment account - PBCCS is using the money to help pay for a school counselor, as well as activities for students. Quarterly reports are required.

VI. Facilities Report

- A. The new mod has been delivered. The electrical, wiring, and ADA ramp have been installed. The next steps are the fire alarm, HVAC and pave a concrete path to the mod.
- B. Water issue- The main line from the well to the main building had a major leak. There is a temporary fix in place. We are working with the district for a permanent fix.
- C. CCSD Long Term Facility Plan and Bond Measure for 2022- The district is working on a matching facilities grant through ODE. Included in the packet are drawings for potential improvements to the PBCCS facilities. CCSD facility planning meetings will be open to the public.

VII. Student and Family Services Report

Meridith Foley reported on students and family services at PBCCS:

- SEL is having classes every Tuesday K-5
- K-8 SEL Caring School Community is embedded throughout the classroom day. All teachers are implementing.
- New School Counselor is working three days a week. She is:
 - Support academics by removing barriers
 - Individual student and small groups
 - Making parent and family connections

Question from Urell- What are we seeing with students having to wear masks? We are collecting data on school culture by class, to better understand students' perspectives.

VIII. Policy Reading

Revision: IIBGA Electronic Communications System

Adoption: IIBGA-AR Electronic Communications System

Policies are recommended by OSBA, they mirror CCSD. These policy allow us to apply for Erate and broadband to help with the cost of new technology.

IX. Administrator's Report

- Return to school- It is nice to have kids in the building with normal looking classrooms.
- Enrollment is at 211, K-2 is full and 3-8 has some openings.

- Kids are eating lunch in the cafeteria.
- Breakfast and lunch are free to students this year
- K-5 have PE 5 days a week, Art & Music 3 days, and SEL 1 day
- MS core classes are 5 days a week, 3 days of advisory for executive functioning and community building, 2 days of intensive lab classes focused on literacy and math skills. The Friday schedule is modified to for Place Based Education/Field Study class in the afternoon.
- Teachers are planning Back to School Night. We will have a drop in open house on September 30 for K-3 and October 7 for 4th-8th grade
- PBCCS is working through the vaccine mandate. PBCCS will be compliant by October 18th.
- Volunteers will need to follow the same guidance. There are some additional statewide requirements for volunteers including a child abuse training and ODE misconduct check.
- PBCCS is still working to hire two open Educational Assistant positions.

X. Board Comments

Wolfe- The website needs to be updated, meetings are off by one day and the time needs to be changed. The letter to the Governor was submitted and a thank you was the response. What is the next step? Has there been any communication with CCSD about a joint letter? Ben would like to reach out every 30 days to the County Commissioner, There is nothing normal about this and feeling normal is dangerous. Thank you for reminding kids they can take masks off when they are outside. Masking needs to be the same for all classrooms.

Hamrick- Roberts Rules, do we need to add a question and answer at the end of the meeting?

Urell- If parents or community members are acting inappropriately to staff, please pass along phone number and email address. He can field complaints if needed.

Peterson- If masks are harming learning, we need to get that in check. She would also be happy to help communicate with parents.

Regular Meeting was adjourned at 7:27 PM.

Sarah Marsh, Board Executive Assistant

Steve Holliday, Board Chair