

CENTENNIAL SCHOOL DISTRICT 28JT GOVERNING BOARD MEETING

Virtual Meeting Format
All participants attended via the Zoom App
Wednesday, May 28, 2025
Work Session Meeting at 6:45 pm

The following Board of Directors were present at the meeting:

David Linn

Ronald "Jess" Hardin

Claudia Andrews

Rose Solowski

William Mohring

Position 1 - Zone 1

Position 2 - Zone 2

Position 3 - Zone 3

Position 5 - At Large

Position 6 - At Large

Position 7 - At Large

Absent members were: Melissa Standley

The following District administrative team members were in attendance:

James Owens Superintendent

Dr. Tasha Katsuda Assistant Superintendent

Paul Southerton Director of Finance & Operations
Christine Andregg Chief Communications Officer

Maureen Callahan Director of Curriculum & Student Learning

Denise Wright Director of Student Services

Marin Miller CHS Principal
Missy Grindle Executive Assistant

1. CALL TO ORDER - Chair Solowski

Vice Chair Shields Chaired the meeting and called it to order at 6:46pm

1. Approval of May 28, 2025 Board Meeting Agenda

Director Hardin moved to approve the May 28, 2025 agenda as presented. Director Andrews seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

2. INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS (Optional)

There were no guests in attendance.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Approval of May 14, 2025 Board Meeting Minutes

Director Hardin moved to approve the May 14, 2025 minutes as presented. Director Mohring seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

- **4. PUBLIC FORUM -** (*None at this work session*)
- 5. REPORTS

Vice Chair Shields recommended adjusting the order of reports on the agenda to ensure Dr. Ramberg had sufficient time to join the meeting. The group agreed to adjust it accordingly.

1. Roadmap '27 End of Year Update and District Department Improvement Plan Report - Dr. Tasha Katsuda, Assistant Superintendent

Dr. Katsuda shared a video with the group that provided a year-end update on the District's departmental improvement plans. The video highlighted each department's plan, the process used to prioritize goals, the staff involved in the improvement efforts, the measures used to assess impact, and the next steps in their work. She noted that the recording will be posted on the District website. Board members expressed their appreciation to the team for their dedication and efforts.

2. Centennial Virtual Academy (CVA) Update Report - Dr Zach Ramberg, CVA Principal Dr. Ramberg provided a general overview of the student population served by CVA and the variety of learning options offered, including virtual, synchronous, and hybrid models. He discussed how CVA remains responsive to the evolving needs of students, individual schools, and the District as a whole. He also outlined programmatic updates planned for the 2025-26 school year, including the repurposing of spaces at Meadows Elementary and Centennial High School. In addition, Dr. Ramberg celebrated student and staff achievements, sharing specific quotes to illustrate their successes. He concluded by outlining CVA's focus areas for the coming year and responded to questions from Board members.

3. Superintendent Year End Report - James Owens, Superintendent

Superintendent Owens provided the group with his 2024-2025 year end report. His report focused on the following information:

- Update on the second year of Roadmap '27 focusing on implementation of the plan, moving from focusing on pillars and the five specific goals: Belonging, Literacy, Attendance, Engagement, and Profile of a Graduate. He identified the work completed in these areas:
 - Trimester Data Summits
 - Walkthrough Learning Observations
 - Professional Learning Communities
 - Departmental Planning
 - District Equity Professional Learning
 - CSD Board Proclamation Reaffirming Support of Each District Student and Family
 - District Equity Advisory Committee
 - Grant Awards: Latinx Student Success Plan and Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander
 - Staff Affinity Groups
- Capital Improvement work, including:
 - Centennial Transition Center Renovations
 - Powell Butte Seismic Improvements and Oliver Middle School Seismic work to start this summer
 - Classroom Improvement Fund Renovations and Upcoming Work
 - Window Replacement Across District

- o CHS Food Service Ceiling & Lighting Replacement
- o Oliver Middle School Covered Play Area
- Parkland and Oliver Repaving and striping
- Digital Read Board Pilot
- o Portland Clean Energy Fund Awards and Projects
- o Capital Projects coming in 2025-2026
- o "Try Local First" Award from Gresham Chamber for 2020 Bond
- Profile of a Centennial Graduate work, including:
 - Design Retreats
 - Leadership Planning Sessions & School Level Feedback
 - Parent & Community Forums (in person and virtual)
 - Draft Creation of cohesive plan across grade levels
- Government Relations engaging in every level of government for support of students, programming and services
- Centennial Education Association Bargaining

Superintendent Owens concluded his report by providing an overall summary. Each Board member commented on the report and congratulated Superintendent Owens and his team for their hard work this year.

Chair Shields called for a break at 7:59 pm; reconvening the meeting at 8:10pm

6. CONFIRMATION ITEMS (Confirmed en masse)

Vice Chair Shields called for a motion to approve the confirmation items as presented. Director Linn moved to approve confirmation items as presented. Chair Solowski seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

- 1. Site Council Minutes
- 2. Miscellaneous Items
- 3. Financial Statements
- 4. Enrollment Reports
- 5. Human Resources
 - 1. MOU for Juneteenth Holiday (Non-Union Group)
 - 2. Classified Sub Rate
 - 3. Resignation of Teacher(s)
 - 4. Resignation of Administrator
 - 5. New Hire
 - 6. Licensed Sub Rates for 2025-2026
- 6. Business/Operations
- 7. Board Policies (Deletions/Legal Reference Changes Only)
- 8. Student Services
- 9. Student Travel

7. BOARD ACTION ITEMS

1. OLD BUSINESS

1. Second Read of Policies (with option to adopt) FGE - Expulsion - James Owens, Superintendent

Superintendent Owens explained that the policy revision returned to the Board following research into broadening the language to include harm to individuals

beyond staff and students. He noted that adding such language is not legally supported by statute as grounds for expulsion.

Director Hardin moved to approve policy JGE as presented. Director Mohring seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

2. NEW BUSINESS

1. First Read of Policies IIA - Instructional Materials - Maureen Callahan, Director of Curriculum & Student Learning

Director Callahan provided a summary of the proposed updates to the policy and administrative rule. She explained that this presentation constitutes the first reading of the documents, which are scheduled to return for adoption at the next meeting. She indicated that the changes presented help to define clarity of best practices on approving instructional materials.

- 1. First Read of Policies IIA AR Instructional Materials Maureen Callahan, Director of Curriculum & Student Learning
 Director Callahan provided an overview of the six (6) Administrative
 Regulations (ARs), outlining the specific revisions in each and their
 connection to the corresponding policy. Board Members engaged in a
 thorough discussion about the review, removal, and determination processes
 for instructional materials. While no concerns were raised about the policy
 changes themselves, Members expressed interest in clarifying whether the
 ARs specify if the Board is notified about instructional material issues or the
 appeals process. Superintendent Owens invited Members to share any
 additional thoughts or concerns with him directly. The topic will be
 discussed at an upcoming Cabinet meeting, after which he will include a
 summary of questions and responses in his weekly update to the Board.
- 2. First Read of Policy AC and AC AR Nondiscrimination James Owens, Superintendent

Superintendent Owens provided a summary of the proposed updates to the policy and administrative rule. He explained that this presentation constitutes the first reading of the documents, which are scheduled to return for adoption at the next meeting. He encouraged anyone with questions to reach out to him directly.

3. Review, Recommend & Appoint District Equity Advisory Committee - Dr. Tasha Katsuda, Assistant Superintendent

Dr. Katsuda provided an overview of the legislative requirements for Districts to establish a District Equity Advisory Committee. She outlined the duties of this committee and shared how the identified members are representative of our District.

Director Linn moved to approve the appointment of the District Equity Advisory Committee members as presented. Director Mohring seconded the motion. Vice Chair Shields clarified that the action includes the individuals identified by initials on the list, pending confirmation. Dr. Katsuda confirmed this understanding, and the motion carried unanimously.

8. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Superintendent Owens shared a number of items that will be on the next meeting agenda, including:

• Upcoming meeting on Wednesday, June 18th (in person)

- Director Andrews Final Meeting
- Pleasant Valley Principal, Christina Anderson
- CHS Spring Sports Recognition
- Adoption of 2025-26 Budget
- Updated Construction Excise Tax
- 2025-26 Meal Prices
- Policies
- Executive Session will take place regarding the Superintendent Evaluation. Information regarding this will be coming out this week. Chair Solowski expressed the need for the group to complete this process; so an additional meeting will not be needed in June.

Director Linn encouraged everyone to attend the upcoming Parklane Park Grand Opening on June 12th. Superintendent Owens indicated that the District will have a booth at the event and a sign up opportunity will be available in the coming days. Ms. Grindle indicated that the sign up sheet, in addition to graduation information will be forthcoming. Chair Solowski thanked Vice Chair Shields for facilitating the meeting.

9. ADJOURNMENT

Vice Chair Shields adjourned the meeting at 8:58 pm.