

GRESHAM-BARLOW SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 10 JT.

Board Policy Review Committee Meeting Minutes

June 9, 2025

The Gresham-Barlow Policy Review Committee held a meeting on Monday, June 9, 2025, in the Large Conference Room of the Gresham-Barlow School District, 1331 NW Eastman Parkway, Gresham, Oregon. The meeting was convened at 2:29 p.m. The opportunity for virtual attendance via Zoom was provided for this meeting.

Policy Review Committee members in attendance were Board of Directors member Kris Howatt. District administration in attendance included Deputy Superintendent Tracy Klinger. Other district staff in attendance included Sarah Avery and Cindy Lopez-Flores.

The following policies were reviewed at the meeting:

Policy	Title
EFA	Local Wellness
FF	Naming of New Facilities

Policy EFA – Local Wellness

Dr. Klinger pointed out that while this policy was updated in 2023, it appears that they may have missed some things in the 2024 update. The committee was provided with a current copy of the policy, and a copy with the edits recommended by ODE. She noted that the policy has to include goals. There was discussion around why wording was changed from culturally responsive to comprehensive instead.

They reviewed the next section where a lot of “shall manage” wording was added. They felt many of it fell within the wellness committee. Dr. Klinger shared that they have a person in finance working on the nutritional pieces with Chartwells. They also have standards in the health curriculum that covers a lot of this. Dr. Klinger shared that they reached out to OSBA for additional feedback, and they responded that the district needed to include the notification process on page 2. She suggested that they keep bullets 8, 9, and 10 on page 3 based on what they are already doing.

For physical education on page 5, they would keep bullets 3, 19, and 20 in order to keep it really clear about instructional pieces. Dr. Klinger recommended striking the other bullets because they don’t feel as helpful, or like they belong in this policy. In the section for other activities that promote wellness they would keep bullets 27, 29, 30, and 34.

The group reviewed the implementation section again, and opted to keep their language. It was noted that the “Notification of Policy” and “Triennial Progress Assessments” were sections they were missing and needed to add. They went through the remaining sections of the policy noting that the bullets they are keeping are mostly things they are already doing.

Policy FF – Naming of New Facilities

Board members requested a review and update of this policy. Dr. Klinger provided policies from other districts to review noting that Medford and Beaverton are very similar to Gresham-Barlow in terms of size and demographics. She noted that Portland Public is very large, and suggested using pieces of language they think will be helpful. PPS focuses on relevancy but doesn't specify naming spaces after a person who is alive or deceased.

Dr. Klinger provided an overview of the drafted policy noting that the two sections below the original policy were drafted based on board conversations. The naming of spaces like the cafeteria, library, or gym could be for five years. The board had a lot of conversations about plaques, so she drafted a special honorary plaque section as a way to honor those living or deceased.

The committee had discussion around how long a person should be deceased before being considered for naming a facility. Committee members suggested 3 years. In addition to naming buildings, there is a section for naming spaces. It seems that people would like to have a plaque option, and language was included to encourage plaques. A timeline of 5 years was selected because there could be a changeover of the board and student body. If people don't know who it is named after, the story didn't live on, or there is no longer a personal connection, it may be time for a change.

They discussed drafting this policy and bringing it to the full board for further conversation at a work session. Dr. Klinger noted that they would need to work on a process for the schools to evaluate their named spaces. They will bring this policy forward to the June 18, 2025 Work session for discussion.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:22 p.m.

Submitted by: Sarah Avery