

MINUTES
Pendleton School District 16R Board of Directors
WORK SESSION

May 6, 2025

8:00 am | Board Room and Virtual | 107 NE 10th Street, Pendleton, OR 97801

Present: Patrick Gregg, Chair
Beth Harrison, Vice-Chair
Jill Pace (arrived at 8:19 a.m.)
Anne Keeler
Matt Yoshioka, Director of Curriculum, Instruction, and Assessment
Michelle Jones, Director of Business Services (virtual)
Kevin Dinning, Director of Human Resources
Ronda Thornburg, Executive Secretary
Kevin Headings, Superintendent

Absent: Position 4 Vacant
Mason Murphy (with prior notice)
Ryan Lehnert (with prior notice)
Julie Smith, Director of Special Programs (with prior notice)

The meeting was in person and offered virtually.

1. Opening and Call to Order *Board Chair*

Chair Gregg welcomed everyone and called the work session to order at 8:00 a.m.

1.1. Pledge of Allegiance

The group stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

1.2. Meeting Audio/Video Recorded

Chair Gregg stated that this meeting is being audio and video recorded.

2. After School Programs *Liam Hughes, Jon Bullard*

Pendleton Parks and Recreation's Liam Hughes, Director, Jon Bullard, Recreation Supervisor, and Courtney Summerfield, Recreation Coordinator, started by thanking the After School Programs (ASP) partners, which included the Pendleton School District, IMESD, Pendleton Public Library, First Student, Inc., and Pendleton Public Works. They provided a background and overview of the program, how it works with group structure, daily routines, and expectations. They finished with the ASP financials for 2024-25. They were available for questions.

3. Facilities *Michelle Jones*

At the request of the board, Michelle Jones gave a report highlighting the major things at each of the facilities in the Pendleton School District. She also provided the Warberg gym floor final mockup at Pendleton High School.

4. Action Items

4.1. Curriculum, Instruction & Assessment *Matt Yoshioka*

4.1.1. Approve Health Curriculum Adoption

Mr. Yoshioka explained the curriculum adoption cycle and how the recommendations were made.

Grades K-5: The Great Body Shop (on ODE approved list of programs that "Meet" all requirements)

Grades 6-8: The Great Body Shop (on ODE approved list of programs that "Meet" all requirements)

Grades 9-12: Comprehensive Health for High School by Goodheart-Wilcox (independent adoption)

Director Harrison moved the health curriculum adoption recommendation for the 2025-2032 school years be approved as presented. Director Keeler seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

4.2. **Human Resources** *Kevin Dinning*

4.2.1. **Approve Personnel Report**

Mr. Dinning presented a revised personnel report for consideration and action.

NEW HIRE	Certified	Jordyn Lambert	Special Education Teacher (2025-26 SY)	WES
		Laura Castro	Special Education Teacher (2025-26 SY)	SMS
		Bryan Huber	PE/Health (2025-26 SY)	PHS
		Dan McCarty	FFA Advisor (2025-26 SY)	PHS
		Kiana Rickman	Social Studies (2025-26 SY)	PHS
RESIGNATION	Certified	Makayla Jones	ELA Teacher (Effective 6/9/2025)	PHS
		Raymond Fox	TAPP Family Advocate (Effective 4/17/2025)	SMS
		Wayne Small	Art Teacher (Effective 6/9/2025)	SMS
	Classified	Andrea Park	Library/Media Aid (Effective 6/6/2025)	SMS
	Confidential	Tom Smith	Accounts Payable Assistant (Effective 5/30/2025)	PSD

Director Pace motioned that the personnel recommendations for the May 6, 2025, work session be approved as presented. Director Harrison seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

5. **Review Agenda – May 12, 2025 Regular Board Meeting** *Board Chair*

No additions or deletions.

6. **Agenda Items for Future Work Sessions** *Board Chair*

Potential topics suggested

June: End-of-Year Reports - Washington/McKay/Sherwood

Director Keeler requested an update on the Tier III implementation in the schools.

7. **Suggestions and Comments from Visitors** *Board Chair*

No suggestions or comments.

8. **Information**

8.1. **Teacher Appreciation Week – May 5-9, 2025** *Kevin Dinning*

The first full week of May is Teacher Appreciation Week. Mr. Dinning read a proclamation expressing appreciation to our teachers for their dedication and devotion to their work.

8.2. **First Student, Inc. Update** *Matt Yoshioka*

Mr. Yoshioka shared the recent change in leadership in our area. Patrick Phillips is the Senior Location Manager. Tiffany Jennings has been promoted to the Pendleton Location Manager. Christina will be the dispatcher.

8.3. **Crystal Apple Awards – May 13, 2025, 5:15 p.m., Pendleton Convention Center**

Doors open at 4:30 p.m. The program begins at 5:15 p.m.

8.4. Budget Meeting – May 22, 2025, 6:00 p.m., District Office *Michelle Jones*
Mrs. Jones reminded everyone of the budget meeting on May 22.

9. School Visit Reports

Adopt-A-School Assignments:

PELC – Mason Murphy
McKay – Ryan Lehnert
Sherwood – Jill Pace
Washington – Beth Harrison
SMS – Anne Keeler
PHS/Hawthorne – Preston Eagleheart
All Schools – Patrick Gregg

Director Harrison had a good visit with Anne Sokoloski, helping to understand some changes with traditional events at McKay.

10. Adjournment *Board Chair*

With no further business brought forward for the good of the order, the meeting adjourned at 8:43 a.m.

Patrick Gregg, Board Chair

Kevin Headings, Superintendent

Ronda Thornburg, Executive Secretary

Date