



PARKROSE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 3
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**Regular Session of the Parkrose Board of Education of School
District No. 3, Multnomah County, Oregon
Monday, June 27, 2011**

M I N U T E S

A Regular Business Meeting of the Board of Education of Parkrose School District 3 was held Monday, June 27, 2011, beginning at 6:30 PM in the Parkrose School District - Boardroom.

1. Executive Session - 5:30 p.m., Superintendent's Office

Recess into Executive Session under ORS 192.660(2)(a) employment, ORS 192.660(2)(d) negotiations and ORS 192.660(2)(h) legal counsel.

Those in attendance: Superintendent Karen Gray, Board Chair Ed Grassel, Board Vice Chair Guy Crawford, Board Member Alesia Reese, Board Member Adair Fernee and Board Member James Woods.

Executive session was adjourned at 6:25 p.m.

2. Call to Order - Regular Business Board Meeting - 6:31 p.m.

Chair Grassel called the Regular Business Meeting to order at 6:31 p.m. and welcomed everyone in attendance.

Members present were: Chair Ed Grassel, Vice Chair Guy Crawford, Board Member James Woods, Board Member Alesia Reese, and Board Member Adair Fernee.

Others present were: Student Services Director Kathy Keim-Robinson, Patrons, Parkrose Faculty Association Representatives, Superintendent Karen Fischer Gray and Board Scribe Mary King.

3. Swear in Newly Elected Board Members

A. Adair Fernee, Position #2, Term Ending June 30, 2015

Chair Grassel presented the Multnomah County Certificate and Ms Fernee read the Oath.

B. Guy Crawford, Position #3, Term Ending June 30, 2015

Chair Grassel presented the Multnomah County Certificate and Mr. Crawford read the Oath.

4. Presentations/Recognitions

A. Presentations

1. Metro Presentation – Councilor Shirley Craddick

Councilor Craddick arrived at 6:37 pm. Chair Grassel asked her to proceed with her presentation. Councilor Craddick had an extensive PowerPoint presentation reviewing the Responsibilities, Goals and projects under Metro's domain. The Board posed some issues they would like her to continue pursuing as follows:

- Superintendent Gray was very concerned that the City of Portland also has a climate committee and how does Metro communicate with them and not duplicate time, effort and funds? Are they working at cross purposes?
- Superintendent Gray asked if Metro has an economic plan for urban reserves?
- Superintendent Gray and Dr Woods addressed that Gateway was designated a

Regional Urban Renewal Area but very little Metro clout was behind them. Besides the transit project, we have seen little development.

- Dr. Woods expressed his concern that the East County Tri-Met situation

Ms Craddick stated that East County needs to be as prosperous as the West. The East side has been the “lost child”. She admits that Metro has been known for “planning” without enough funding. She intends to bring back figures and report back more than once a year.

5. PFA Monthly Report

No one speaking on behalf of PFA this month

6. Board of Education

A. Board Reports

1. Graduation Update – Ed Grassel

Chair Grassel stated that the high school graduation was wonderfully attended and a super event. Dr. Woods gave a great speech and mentioned Earle DeKay and his volunteer service to the district.

2. Individual Board Member Reports

Chair Grassel:

- Soccer Field Groundbreaking was a fine event
- The Athletic Program meeting regarding baseball drew a large crowd and they discussed next steps

Alesia Reese:

- Updated the board on the free summer neighborhood activities
- Parkrose Wellness Committee meeting on July 6th with Sandra Clark, Healthy Active Schools Coordinator
- Supportive of budget committee members receiving updates throughout the year
- Heartfelt thanks for Bond Committee work
- Ms Reese hopes that the Bond Committee can transition into Capital Projects Committee and stated that the Board will be methodical, careful and thoughtful in proceeding

Adair Fernee:

- Was unable to attend the latest Foundation meeting but will give an update soon
- Farmers Market Book Exchange is up and running and a huge success
- While visiting the Maywood Park Garage Sale, she had many people say they were excited that their 6th graders will be in the new middle school this fall. She enlightened them as to the timeline.

James Woods:

- Is asking Tri-Met for data regarding recent route changes. Oregon Environmental Equity is also requiring same information.
- Survey Results being checked on
- Barn Bash – July 9, 2011
- OSBA Retreat News: making a lot of internal changes regarding finances, noted that they need to re-invigorate their leadership component
- Dr. Woods will be traveling to the NSBA Conference and will report back to OSBA
- OSBA authorized 3% incentive raises
- Policy changes in the future due to legislative changes, HB 944 is full of hidden changes

- Question of some districts possibly opting out of OSBA

Guy Crawford:

- Classified and Certified negotiations are ongoing in a thoughtful and purposeful manner
- HB2236 passed unanimously in both the House and Senate, \$3 million to schools for shop classes

B. Committee Reports

1. School Improvement

Chair Grassel wants to bring more data to the Board on Average Yearly Progress (AYP). He showed a scatter gram of 11th grade reading scores and took a suggestion from the Board to try a Histogram next time.

He also reported that the School Improvement Committee (SIC) took time to reflect on committee work. Several of the teaching members stated they took risks because they felt supported by the SIC “think tank” group. The group is developing an instructional framework for all teachers and administrators.

2. Bond Coordinating Committee

Ms. Reese stated that the committee learned that having a representative from each building was crucial. She hopes the committee will continue through the Capital Projects process.

Superintendent Gray noted that on August 13th at the Board retreat, the bond will be the afternoon topic.

Ms. Reese asked that an update be put on the website about where we are in the process for the patrons.

3. Legislative Activity

Dr. Woods had nothing further.

4. Negotiations

Mr. Crawford had nothing further.

7. Consent Agenda

A. Personnel

1. New Hires

- a. Sujata Soni Wipper: Psychologist. .5 FTE, District
- b. Monique Sommerhiser: Speech Pathologist, .8 FTE, District
- c. Kerry Henderson, High School Science, 1.0 FTE

2. Resignations

- a. Jacob Curtis
- b. Thomas Hainisch
- c. Rebekah Chu

B. Board Minutes

1. April 25, 2011, Regular Meeting Minutes
2. May 23, 2011, Executive and Regular Meeting Minutes

3. June 13, 2011, Work Session Minutes

C. Business/Finance

1. Resolution to Approve and Appropriate a Grant Awarded by Oregon Department of Education for Shaver Elementary Title I in the amount of \$101,069.
2. Resolution to Approve and Appropriate a Transfer between Major Functions within Fund 01 General Fund in the amount of \$5,375 for High School General Purchases.

The Board approved the consent agenda with a 5-0 vote.

8. **Citizen Comments**

There were no comments this evening.

9. **District Business**

A. Superintendent Reports

1. 2011 PHS Graduation Report
Superintendent Gray noted that graduation was a great success and specifically mentioned Dr. Woods' heartfelt, wonderful speech. The Attorney General also spoke and she received good responses to her speech.
2. Bond Passage
Superintendent Gray has received many congratulations about the passage of the bond. She expressed her thanks to Maureen Crawford who led the charge and knew from day one that the bond would pass.
3. PHS Field Upgrades Project – Groundbreaking
Superintendent Gray said the groundbreaking was a super event. Councilman Fish and Fritz were in attendance. David Ashton from the East Portland News will be doing an article on the event.
4. Increase Facility Use Fees
Superintendent Gray would like to create a task force to look at increasing facility use fees and to review the pool hours. The Board agreed and Ms. Reese, Ms. Fernee and Chair Grassel would all like to be involved if their schedules permit. Ms. Reese is very concerned regarding the increase in water rates over the next two years. Superintendent Gray will schedule the first of three meetings in August. She would like a recommendation report to the Board at the August 22, 2011 Board meeting.
5. Community Center Workgroup Development
This agenda item was addressed above.

B. Department Reports

1. Business and Operations
 - a. Bond Project Update
Included
2. Student Services – Kathy Keim-Robinson
 - a. ELL Report
Ms. Keim-Robinson presented a thorough report to the Board on Number of ELL students in program number who have proven proficient and exited, number at different levels of ELD instruction and presented a PowerPoint presentation.

The Board would like some figures at a future meeting regarding the number of males and females in the program, the dropout rate, if they start at “K”, do they become proficient when they leave elementary school and at what grade are middle school students exiting.

b. Supplemental Education Services

Ms. Keim-Robinson reported on the new Title I Supplemental Educational Services (SES). Shaver parents have the option to either request a transfer to another school or ask for free tutoring if they meet income eligibility. The District must set aside \$242,000 and must give parents a choice of tutoring agency which we are a part of now.

Guest Introduced

At this point in the meeting, Joseph McLiney with McLiney and Company was introduced. Mr. McLiney came from Missouri to be present and answer any questions about the bond. McLiney and Company are working with Seattle NW on the sale of the bonds. \$15 million are QZAB none interest bonds. He expects to put Qualified Zone Academy Bonds (QZAB) up on July 28, 2011. Parkrose expects to receive 100% of the QZAB's available from the State. The bond qualifies for these expenditures. QZAB bonds must work with the private sector and receive 10% in-kind contributions. We will be offering for one year, the services of “Mango Languages” which offers language instruction. Mango Languages would like our testimonial at the end of the year. Go the www.mangolanguages.com for further information.

QZAB's cannot be used to expand existing building footprints but it is good for remodeling and rehab.

The District can make interest on the dovetail deposits in the sinking fund. Only commit early the 10% and gain interest on the rest. Pay at end of project. He will bring in figures that will “blow away” the Board.

3. School Improvement – Yuki Monteith

- a. High School Science Textbook Adoption Proposal
Superintendent Gray spoke on behalf of Yuki Monteith, School Improvement Director about the need for High School Science Texts. Nothing has been purchased since 2003. The cost is \$32,000.

4. Human Resources – David McKay

- a. Bargaining Update
Vice Chair Crawford reported on this agenda item earlier.

10. Action Items

A. Accept/Reject High School Science Textbook Adoption

Reese/Ferneer moved and seconded to accept the High School Science Textbook Adoption. Chair Grassel open floor for discussion. Chair Grassel removed himself as chair and passed to Vice Chair Crawford. Mr. Grassel stated his concerns that in order to use the Chemistry texts, students need to have significant math skills to do chemistry. Asked that this be stated as a concern.

There being no more discussion, the motion to approve carried with a 5-0 vote.

B. Accept/Reject Increase to Meal Prices for 2011-2012

Reese/Ferneer moved and seconded the motion to accept Increase to Meal Prices for 2011-2012. Chair Grassel opened the floor to discussion.

There being no discussion, the motion to accept carried with a 5-0 vote.

C. Accept/Reject Canvass of Votes for Parkrose School District Bond Measure 26-123

Reese/Ferneer moved and seconded the motion to Accept the Canvass of Votes for Parkrose School District Bond Measure 26-123.

Chair Grassel opened the floor to discussion.

Hearing none, the motion to accept carried with a 5-0 vote.

D. Accept/Reject Canvass of Votes for Elected board Members Adair Fernee and Guy Crawford

Reese/Ferneer moved and seconded the motion to Accept the Canvass of Votes for Adair Fernee and Guy Crawford.

Chair Grassel opened the floor to discussion.

Hearing none, the motion to accept carried with a 5-0 vote.

E. Accept/Reject Bond Issuance Resolution in the amount of \$63 Million

Reese/Ferneer moved and seconded the motion to Accept Bond Issuance Resolution in the amount of \$63 Million.

Chair Grassel opened the floor to discussion.

Hearing none, the motion to accept carried with a 5-0 vote.

F. Accept/Reject Resolution Accepting Qualified Zone Academy Bonds Requirements

Reese/Ferneer moved and seconded the motion to Accept Resolution Accepting Qualified Zone Academy Bonds Requirements.

Chair Grassel opened the floor to discussion.

Hearing none, the motion to accept carried with a 5-0 vote.

G. Accept/Reject Resolution to Authorize Official Intent Qualified Zone Academy Bonds

Reese/Ferneer moved and seconded the motion to Accept Resolution to Authorize Official Intent Qualified Zone Academy Bonds.

Chair Grassel opened the floor to discussion.

Dr. Woods is concerned about the restricted \$15 million and asked Mr. McLiney if we had enough expenditures to use this amount. Mr. McLiney said just in Middle School cameras and air conditioners we have \$10 million and believes there was easily \$17 million so far. Ms. Reese raised the issue of the State changing QZAB's definition. Mr. McLiney said that the State follows the Federal laws. One of the regulation changes is that within 6 months, 10% of the funds are committed.

There being no further discussion, the motion to approve carried with a 5-0 vote.

11. Discussion Items

Chair Grassel opened the floor for discussion by the Board.

Dr. Woods asked that an agenda item be added to the July Board Meeting: Election of Alesia Reese to ESD Budget Committee.

12. Correspondence/Announcements/Requests

A. Upcoming Meetings

1. Board Organizational Meeting, July 18, 2011, District Office, 5:00 p.m.
2. Board Retreat, August 13, 2011, Karen Gray's House, 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
3. Regular Business Meeting, August 22, 2011, District Office, 6:30 p.m.

13. Adjournment

Chair Grassel adjourned the Regular Business Meeting at 9:16 p.m.