

# Work Session / Regular School Board Meeting

Via in person and ZOOM/Owl

Wednesday, February 18, 2026

Board approved:

---

A Board Work Session and Regular School Board Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Corbett School District was held Wednesday, February 18, 2026, beginning at 6:00 PM via in person and via ZOOM/Owl virtual platform and in person at 7:00 p.m. at Corbett Middle School. Board members present were Dylan Rickert; Ben Byers; David Osborn, Vice Chair; Sis Childs; Malinda Carlson; Leah Fredericks, Chair and Zac Arndt. Also present were Administrators Derek Fialkiewicz, Ed.D., Superintendent; Brie Windust, Business Office Assistant/ZOOM moderator; Jeanne Swift, Assistant Superintendent/Student Services Director and Robin Lindeen-Blakeley, Deputy Clerk/HR Lead. Dennis Clague, Chief Financial Officer, had an excused absence. Student Representative, Olivia Young was present and Student Representative, Leena Saied had an excused absence. NOTE: The minutes are prepared to coincide with time scheduled matters and the numbering system of the agenda and is not necessarily the actual order of happenings at the meeting.

## 1. PRELIMINARY BUSINESS

6:00 - 6:45 p.m. Work-Based Learning Presentations

Five classrooms in CMS on Woodard Rd.

<https://policy.osba.org/corbett/AB/BDDC%20D1.PDF>

Kathy Childress, CHS Principal, coordinated the presentations for the Board members to attend.

1.1. Call to Order / Flag Salute - Leah Fredericks, Board Chair, called the meeting to order and led the flag salute at 7:01 p.m. in the CMS Cafeteria on Woodard Rd.

<https://policy.osba.org/corbett/I/INDB%20D1.PDF>

[https://policy.osba.org/corbett/AB/BD\\_BDA%20G1.PDF](https://policy.osba.org/corbett/AB/BD_BDA%20G1.PDF)

## 1.2. Review and Acceptance of Agenda

Leah Fredericks, Board Chair, accepted the agenda as written, noting an announcement and vote at the end of the meeting. Ms. Lindeen-Blakeley noted that there will be no report under item 4.6 b.

<https://policy.osba.org/corbett/AB/BDDC%20D1.PDF>

## 1.3. Board Chair Report Information Item

Leah Fredericks, Board Chair, welcomed Marleen Carroll, our new Superintendent in July, who joined us at the meeting.

- a. Complaint remedies – resolution has happened regarding safety issues, and the Board will continue to review and revise policies, etc. A memo has been put out with thanks to Dr. Fialkiewicz and thanks to the Board for working as a team.
- b. Financial —see OSBA training webinar opportunity on February 26, attached on page 3.

The graduating seniors are a little short on their fundraising for CHAMPS, so there is an opportunity for donations.

Kristen Miles at OSBA has been contacted and there will be probable times in April to schedule dates for Board training, with one full training covered and \$500 to contribute to for the second training. Board will be surveyed for availability in the future.

c. Bonds, Ballots and Buildings Conference — David Osborn, Vice Chair, went to the conference and will email notes to share. He encouraged OSBA training, as it is very informative. Ideas included rural, alignment of Bonds, understanding of compression. Now is the time to start the process with our facility issues and to get resources. He suggested a facilities task force and to talk with Bond financing people to develop two facility plans – long-term and strategic at the end of out GO Bond. It would be nice to have a work session about it in the next six months, considering the more in advance, the more successful. Local Option levies also a good tool to explore.

7:13 p.m.

d.

<https://policy.osba.org/corbett/AB/BK%20D1.PDF>

<https://policy.osba.org/corbett/AB/BHB%20D1.PDF>

<https://policy.osba.org/corbett/AB/BBF%20G2.PDF>

<https://policy.osba.org/corbett/AB/BBAA%20D1.PDF>

<https://policy.osba.org/corbett/AB/BG%20D1.PDF>

**Attachments:** (1)

2. Introduction and Comments of Guests and Representatives – No comments at this meeting.

<https://policy.osba.org/corbett/AB/BDDH%20D1.PDF>

---

2.1. STUDENTS

2.1.a. Student Representative Report to the Board

Oliva Young – Key Club had a Shirley Temple and sugar cookie fundraiser. A basketball tournament is to be set up to help with senior night during home room with teacher donations. March 6 is the winter formal at Camp Angelos. March 16-18 is state testing. March 19 begins spring break. Lots of students are preparing for science fair, spring sports and scholarships. The student stakeholder group met with the possible Superintendent candidates on February 11 and interviewed the new Superintendent on February 18. Ms. Childress is looking for a student advisory group, to include the Student Representatives to the Board and Site Council.

<https://policy.osba.org/corbett/AB/BCBA%20D1.PDF>

7:18 p.m.

3. Approval of and Extending of Minutes Action Item

Leah Fredericks moved and Ben Byers seconded:

**RESOLUTION NO. 2.76-26 — RESOLVED** that the Board approved the minutes of the Special School Board meeting of January 7, 2026, and the extension of approval for the Special School Board meeting minutes of January 28, 2026, and February 11, 2026, and the Regular School Board Meeting of January 21, 2026.

The vote of the Board was 7-0.

<https://policy.osba.org/corbett/AB/BDDG%20D1.PDF>

**Attachments:** (1)

3.1. CONSENT AGENDA

Ben Byers moved and Sis Childs seconded:

**3.1 Consent Agenda\*\*Resolution Items 2.77-26\*\*-2.83-26\*\* - Action Items**

**5.1 \*\* RESOLUTION NO. 2.77-26\*\* - RESOLVED** that the Board confirmed approval for Corbett HS and Hood River Valley HS to cooperate as in the attached information provided by OSAA for our high school golf participant(s).

**6.2 \*\*RESOLUTION NO. 2.78-26\*\* — RESOLVED** that the Board confirmed spring 2026 coaches, as attached in the Board packet and pending hiring/volunteer documentation.

**6.3\*\*RESOLUTION NO. 2.79-26\*\* — RESOLVED** that the Board confirmed the FMLA for Erica Boykins, 1.00 FTE CMS/CHS Counselor/SBMH Social Worker, effective March 16–June 2, 2026, pending documentation.

**6.4\*\*RESOLUTION NO. 2.80-26\*\* — RESOLVED** that the Board confirmed the FMLA for Mallory Spanjer, 1.00 FTE CHS Social Studies Teacher, effective April 2–June 2, 2026.

**6.5\*\*RESOLUTION NO. 2.81-26 — RESOLVED** that the Board confirmed the FMLA for David Church, 1.00 FTE K-8 Music Teacher, effective January 21–February 16, 2026, pending documentation.

**6.6\*\*RESOLUTION NO. 2.82-26 - RESOLVED** that the Board reconfirmed the FMLA for Rebecca Young, 1.00 FTE CGS 4th/5th Grade Teacher, effective January 5- March 1, 2026.

**6.7\*\*RESOLUTION NO. 2.83-26 - RESOLVED** that the Board confirmed the FMLA for L. Beeson, 1.00 FTE 6th Grade Teacher, effective February 2-May 3, 2026, pending documentation.

The vote of the Board was 7-0.

<https://policy.osba.org/corbett/AB/BDDC%20D1.PDF>

**Attachments:** (2)

4. Superintendent Fialkiewicz's Report Information/Discussion Items

Per Dr. Fialkiewicz, the General Fund (GF) is growing and will revisit with the financials.

Ben Byers spoke about closing out the third round of surveys with 27 out of 64. Round four and final will be soon, for completion in the Superintendent Goals. Technical difficulties along the way, but analysis and results will be done under the Superintendent Evaluation.

**Goal 1: The Corbett School District #39 General Fund will show a larger Ending Fund Balance at the end of FY 25-26 than it did at the end of FY 24-25 as evidenced by fiscal year-ending**

---

**reports. This will be monitored monthly using General Fund financial statements and projections.**

**Goal 2: The trust level of staff members towards the superintendent will be higher in March 2026 than in November 2025 as measured by monthly, randomly sampled pulse surveys. The pulse survey will be a one-question survey: "I trust in the Superintendent's overall ability to make the right decisions for the district" answered on a 5-point Likert scale from Strongly Disagree to Strongly Agree.**

4.1. a. Financial Updates — OASBO status – See under 4.5.a.

4.2. Update on Corbett School campus upgrades and/or grants

a. SBMH – Since the first extension to February 6, we now have an extension to March 2, 2026, with no additional funding. Carry over funds can be used and we will continue services to March 2 while waiting to hear and meet with USDOE Representative. We submitted a lot of data and information to prove we met goals. The information has been handed over to a third party, so don't know how or if more will be determined. Board discussion.

We are not funded beyond March 2. If there is any money left it will be minimal.

b. SIA -There is information attached in the packet. Over the biennium we have over two million dollars, used a lot for staffing.

c. 2025-27 High-Dosage Tutoring- We received about \$29,000 this year and expecting \$30,000.00, for a total of \$59,000.00 to provide tutoring and intervention for CGS and CAPS.

d. We have applied for a long range planning grant. We have in the past gone with an architectural firm, so reached out to them as they know the scope of the grant. Board discussion about whether the firm is obligated if received.

Dr. Fialkiewicz said it is solely for a plan for if you want to go out for a Bond and OSCIM (matching funds).

We also committed to seismic grant for MPB and CHS, with the third try for MPB, working with CZS (Engineering and Architecture).

<https://policy.osba.org/corbett/D/DD%20D1.PDF>

**Attachments:** (2)

4.3. Charter District Agreement

Approved on April 16, 2025 - included in the packet because of planning agreement and voting on enrollment and that the next year's numbers go through the budget committee.

<https://policy.osba.org/corbett/KL/LBE%20D1.PDF>

<https://policy.osba.org/corbett/KL/LBE%20R%20D1.PDF>

**Attachments:** (1)

4.4. Evaluation / Goals / Self-Appraisal – see under 4.

<http://policy.osba.org/corbett/C/CBG%20D1.PDF>

#### 4.5. FINANCIAL REPORTS / MATTERS

Derek Fialkiewicz, Ed.D., Superintendent, said choices are not made yet, this is just for their offerings, which are status quo. There is some wiggle room, but based on constituent districts too.

Board discussion on pass through funding used for loan payment and considerations for when decisions are made.

2026-2027 MESD Local Service Plan Information/Action Item

Leah Fredericks moved and Ben Byers seconded:

**RESOLUTION NO. 2.84-26 - RESOLVED** that according to ORS.334.175, the Board of Directors of Corbett School District 39, Multnomah County, Oregon, agrees to the conditions and provision of all programs and services, described in the 2026-2027 Local Service Plan - Multnomah Education Service District, except: (specify here each and every program not approved. If all are approved, please state "none".)

The vote of the Board was 7-0.

<https://policy.osba.org/corbett/D/DIC%20D1.PDF>

**Attachments:** (1)

4.5.a. Report Information Item – Dr. Fialkiewicz referred the Board to the packet. Payroll and health of financials in right direction. We have no response from the IRS yet. Materials and supplies are less than expected. We are in a positive direction with Ending Fund Balance (EFB). The economic forecast shows an increase for Oregon, but still in deficit, however, less than expected. Legislature in short session trying to resolve education spending. We are hoping for no change, and will know more by end of the month. We are currently developing multiple scenarios, one being flat and the second a 2.5% reduction in Revenue (RV). We are hopeful that by the time the budget season is started we will have a better understanding. A conservative RV budget, with less conservative on spending.

Board discussion on where that comes from.

Dr. Fialkiewicz said about \$700 million deficit in December was projected with about a 5% cut statewide. We are now at \$300 million deficit, and are expecting half of that. So tracking the State. Right now zero net is \$500,000.00 cut and another 5% decrease is another \$500,000.00. Now looking at 2.5%. Operational changes, PERS, and other remedies were well in play over a month ago with MESD changes and change in systems, but we didn't know full overview. PERS reports submitted through December 2025. Interest reporting for PERS is done in May. 2024 Social Security (SS) has also been submitted along with W-2's. We don't always get notified when things are rejected or kicked back. 2025 is uploaded to SS but not showing yet. A reminder that there are two W-2's for 2025, one from the old system and one from the new system. Lots of good resources from meeting with head of OASBO that Dr. Fialkiewicz and Mr. Clague gathered in spreadsheets for payroll and checks and balances, template for staff

contracts in May for next year and highlights from CBA's like health benefits to pull into one place while working with finance software to batch.

Board discussion regarding an intention for validation?

Dr. Fialkiewicz answered yes and transparency and time to fix.

The General Fund Projected (GF P) EFB \$189,000.00, so headed in right direction. Costs are less than projected last month when it was \$160,000.00. \$250,000.00 in Contingency and \$33,000.00 Unappropriated (U) EFB. We could increase EFB goal by a million, as last year we said zero. The goal in three years is definitely on that projection.

Board discussion on Contingency factors into the deficit.

Dr. Fialkiewica said Contingency is for emergencies or a high cost student placement, and should have both healthy Contingency and EFB.

**Attachments: (1)**

4.5.b. Budget Law Training Information Items

Derek Fialkiewicz, Ed.D., Superintendent – TSCC training in March attached.

<https://policy.osba.org/corbett/D/DBEA%20D1.PDF>

**Attachments: (2)**

4.5.c. Request for Financial Review Proposals Discussion/Action Item

David Osborn, Vice Chair, spoke about context as an external financial review. He appreciated Dr. Fialkiewicz and Mr. Clague's bringing in OASBO and prefaced that he is optimistic that we wouldn't need to move forward if we don't need to, in restoring leadership and what we've been through the last two years.

Sis Childs moved and Malinda Carlson seconded;

**RESOLUTION NO. 2.85-26 - RESOLVED** that the Board approve RFP or RFP'S for external review support for our financial systems. Information to be brought to the Board in March 2026.

Dr. Fialkiewicz said doing RFP's requires more than three weeks and would need to extend to April for appropriateness and timelines. OASBO did an external audit. Mr. Clague could put out an update every other week for transparency.

Board discussion about current systems and public procurement rules. Possible RFI and delay until April and we'll know if we hear anything about problems, in summary for amendments.

David Osborn amended **RESOLUTION NO. 2.85-26** to change RFP or RFP's to RFI. Ben Byers seconded.

The vote of the Board was 7-0 for this amendment.

David Osborn did a second amendment for **RESOLUTION NO. 2.85-26** to change March to April. Ben Byers seconded.

The vote of the Board was 7-0 for this second amendment.

Board discussion on time to prepare.

Dr. Fialkiewicz said he would be going out to firms for what they could do and costs.

Voting on the new **RESOLUTION NO. 2.85-26** with both changes resulted in a vote of 7-0.

#### 4.6. Principal / Director/ Supervisor Reports

a. Cassie Duprey, CGS Principal - Enrollment Updates – 1162 number of current students K-12, with two new students that just moved in, so 1164 on February 19, 2026: application for next year- 159 students have applied with the biggest three grades as Kindergarten, 63; 6<sup>th</sup>, 21; and 9<sup>th</sup>, 13. Lottery will be run on March 30 and on April 1 we will have a list and let parents know.

Board discussion regarding 1224 Board approved, 1209 reported to ODE.

Dr. Fialkiewicz explained there are many factors, including the May adjustment. Districts are losing enrollment and it is taken into consideration. He will consult with Dennis Clague regarding these situations to report back to the Board.

b. Angela Davis, Athletic Director - Athletics update – excused absence, no report at this meeting.

<https://policy.osba.org/corbett/AB/BG%20D1.PDF>

#### 5. CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

<https://policy.osba.org/corbett/I/IGDJ%20D1.PDF>

5.1. See Item 3.1

#### 6. PERSONNEL

Derek Fialkiewicz, Ed.D., Superintendent, announced:

FMLA for Kuwaiola Ahina. .5 FTE SBMH Secretary/.5 FTE CAPS Secretary, effective February 2-May 13, 2026, dependent on documentation.

Resignation of Dennis Clague, 1.00 FTE CFO, effective last day of work June 30, 2026. The vacancy will be posted on February 19, 2026.

6.1. Vacant Positions Information Item

Derek Fialkiewicz, Ed.D., Superintendent -

We have vacant positions open for the 2025-2026 school year for Substitute/Temporary Bus Drivers.

6.2. See 3.1

6.3. See 3.1

6.4. See 3.1

6.5. See 3.1

6.6. See 3.1

6.7. See 3.1

Leah Fredericks moved and David Osborn seconded;

6.8. **RESOLUTION NO. 2.86-26 - RESOLVED** that the Board hire Marleen Carroll for Superintendent of Corbett School District effective July 1, 2026, with contract terms as accepted by agreement of the Board.

The Board discussed amendments.

Leah Fredericks amended the motion for **Resolution No. 2.86-26** – Resolved that the Board hire Marleen Carroll for Superintendent of Corbett School District effective July 1, 2026, subject to reaching an agreement with the Superintendent elect concerning the terms of employment and approval of the negotiated contract by the Board.

Sis Childs seconded the amended motion.

Sis Childs commented that she was very excited to have Ms. Carroll and Ms. Fredericks added we look forward to seeing you.

The vote on the amended motion was 7-0, as well as the vote on the original motion.

Ben Byers thanked Dr. Fialkiewicz for his tenure and the time and willingness to work with the new Superintendent.

Leah Fredericks agreed.

---

7. RECESS – The Board recessed from public session at 8:21 P.M. and Chair Fredericks cited:

7.1. EXECUTIVE SESSION - ORS 192-660(2)(b) - To consider the dismissal or disciplining of, or to hear complaints or charges brought against, a public officer, employee, staff member or agent, unless he or she requests an open meeting.

<https://policy.osba.org/corbett/AB/BDC%20D1.PDF>

**Attachments:** (2)

All Board members were present, as well as Ms. Windust and Ms. Lindeen-Blakeley.

8:27 p.m.- 9:03 p.m.

8. RECONVENE TO PUBLIC SESSION FOLLOWING EXECUTIVE SESSION – The Board reconvened to public session at 9:06 p.m. The seven board members, Ms. Windust and Ms. Lindeen-Blakeley were in attendance.

9:07 p.m.

8.1. ACTION ON PROPOSED OR TABLED MATTERS TO FOLLOW EXECUTIVE SESSION

Ben Byers moved and Sis Childs seconded that the Board accept **Resolution No. 2.87-26 – Resolved** that the Board adopted the Superintendent’s decision as the District’s final decision.

The vote of the Board was 7-0.

9. Matters for the Good of the Order – Ms. Windust noted the CHS winter formal is now March 6.

Leah Fredericks welcomed the new Superintendent and she thanked the Board, Superintendent and Staff for learning to live and play for safety.

David Osborn suggested we can advocate with our legislators to use the education stability fund to Backfill cuts. Senator Helfrich is open to protecting small schools.

10. COMING EVENTS

[https://policy.osba.org/corbett/I/IC\\_ICA%20D1.PDF](https://policy.osba.org/corbett/I/IC_ICA%20D1.PDF)

Leah Fredericks, Board Chair, read aloud:

- a. February 16, 2026 - Monday, no school — Presidents' Day
  - b. February 20, 2026 - Friday, Friday School Day
  - c. March 5, 2026 - Thursday, End of 2nd Trimester
  - d. March 6, 2026 - Friday, Assessment GS.CAPS/MS
  - e. March 11, 2026 - Wednesday, Regular School Board meeting, CMS Cafeteria at Woodard Rd. 7:00 p.m.
11. ADJOURNMENT – The Board adjourned at 9:11 p.m.