

# PORTLAND PUBLIC SCHOOLS Parent Advisory Committee: Distribution of Donations for Staffing

March 5, 2025

# **Meeting Minutes**

Pursuant to notice made by posting on the Board's public notices webpage and emailed to persons on the mailing list, a meeting of the **Parent Advisory Committee: Distribution of Donations for Staffing** was held virtually and streamed live at: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/@PPSPACDistributionofDonations/live">https://www.youtube.com/@PPSPACDistributionofDonations/live</a>

The materials for this meeting were posted on the Committee's Webpage (link WEBPAGE).

#### **Attendance**

Committee Members

Present:
Ayla Ercin
Audrey Gnich
Daniel Levine
David Lamadrid
Suzanne Clare
Alisa Welch
Sachin Wheatley, Student
Trina Huff

#### Other Attendees

Robyn Faraone, Director of Strategic Partnerships, PPS Dr. Emily Glasgow, Senior Director, PK-5 Core Academics, PPS

#### Topic 1 - Called to Order

The meeting was called to order at 5:33 pm by Trina Huff.

## **Topic 2 - Adopt Meeting Minutes from 2/26/25**

Suzanne Clark motioned to approve meeting minutes. Daniel Levine seconded. All in favor (8), none opposed (0).

**Topic 3 - Staff Presentation on Plan for PAC March Meetings & Committee Discussion**Robyn Faraone presented information on accepting written public comment, how other regional school foundations invest dollars, timeline for committee and proposed criteria for decision-making. A committee member recommended we add "Community Building" to the list of criteria for decision-making. There was discussion of how we define community, given our large district.

**Topic 4 - Advancing Literacy, Dr. Emily Glasgow, Senior Director, PK-5 Core Academics** Dr. Glasgow presented information on curriculum and approach to core academics and additional supports/interventions. High impact tutoring is currently funded for K-3 students in need of additional support. A question was asked about the role of libraries, and Dr. Glasgow

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expressed that a reduction of library hours is a concern for some principals. However, libraries support literacy, but it is not reading instruction.

# **Topic 5 - Discussion**

Robyn Faraone presented the final slide describing the role of the Community Budget Review Committee and how their charge is to examine the entire district budget, which is different from the PAC's role to make a recommendation for fundraised dollars. PAC representatives discussed options, and what additional information they need to make a decision. They would like additional information on High Impact Tutoring, Community Schools and Educational Assistants.

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nair Trina Huff adjourned the meeting at 7:02 pm.
ubmitted by:
obyn Faraone rector at Strategic Partnerships