

Board Special Meeting
Curriculum and Instruction Policy Committee
Tuesday, May 21, 2019
Board Office Conference Room, John Stanford Center
2445 – 3rd Avenue South, Seattle WA 98134



Minutes

1. Call to Order

a. This meeting was called to order at 4:30 p.m. by Director Geary. Director Harris was present. Director Burke joined the meeting via telephone. Director Pinkham joined the meeting at 4:31 p.m.

Director Pinkham left the meeting at 6:32 p.m.

This meeting was staffed by Chief Academic Officer Dr. Diane DeBacker, Executive Director of Curriculum, Assessment & Instruction Dr. Kyle Kinoshita, Director of Career and College Readiness Dr. Caleb Perkins, Executive Assistant to the Chief Academic Officer Maria Gonzales-Millsap, General Counsel Ronald Boy, Chief of Student Support Services Wyeth Jessee, Chief of Equity Partnerships & Engagement Dr. Brent Jones, Native American Education Program Manager Gail Morris, Library Instructional Materials Program Services Manager Marian Royal, Chief Information Officer John Krull, Seattle Skills Principal Dan Golosman, Student Support Services Supervisor Erin Romanuk, Executive Director of Coordinated School Health Pat Sander, Volunteer Lois Brewer, Lincoln High School Principal Ruth Medsker, CTE Program Manager Jane Hendrickson, Executive Director of Organizational Development and Equity Dr. Keisha Scarlett, Senior Project Manager Jamian Smith, Director Enterprise Apps & Data Services Nancy Petersen, Chief Sealth Teacher Tricia Nielsen.

b. Approval of Agenda

DECISION

Director Pinkham moved to approve the agenda for the May 21, 2019 Curriculum and Instruction Policy Committee meeting.
Director Burke seconded the motion.
This motion was passed unanimously.

c. Approval of April 23, 2019 C&I Policy Committee Meeting Minutes

DECISION

Director Burke moved to approve the April 23, 2019 Curriculum and Instruction Policy Committee meeting minutes.
Director Harris seconded the motion.
This motion was passed unanimously.

2. Board Action Reports (Discussion and/or Action)

a. Approval of the 2019-2020 Student Rights and Responsibilities

Ms. Romanuk and Ms. Sander provided an overview of changes to the Students Rights and Responsibilities document to align with the Washington Administrative Code. Director Geary asked how the changes to the handbook are being communicated to school leaders. Ms. Sander replied that it will be presented at the Summer Leadership Institute (SLI) and that her team are in continuous communication with Dr. Starosky's team. Director Harris requested professional development plans be shared in a Friday Memo. Director Harris also requested communicating all the changes to parents and the community in School Beat. Director Pinkham asked why the language "cultural competency" and "culturally responsive" are used in the booklet. Ms. Romanuk replied that the definitions are provided by OSPI and not specific to Seattle Public Schools. Director Geary asked to reference in the handbook that these definitions were provided by OSPI.

DECISION

Director Pinkham made a motion for approval.
Director Burke seconded the motion.
This motion was passed unanimously.

b. Approval of School Board Policy No. 3224, Student Dress

Mr. Boy provided an overview of the new policy stating that it would establish a universal student dress policy for all students in the district. Mr. Boy developed the policy collaborating with stakeholders to receive feedback. In formulating the text of the policy, Mr. Boy received feedback from students at Garfield High School, the Superintendent's Student Advisory Board and school principals. He added that the policy can be interpreted to allow uniforms for the two schools that currently have uniform standards.

Director Burke asked if there is a plan to create a Superintendent procedure or if this is a stand-alone policy. Mr. Boy replied that the language in the policy is explicit and he does not think anything additional is needed. Director Burke suggested adding appropriate language in the policy should a procedure be needed at a later time. Director Harris asked what the plans are for school leaders around this topic. Mr. Boy replied that he would provide training at SLI once approved. Directors Geary and Harris expressed concern around the two schools that currently have uniform standards. Director Geary asked that more engagement occur with the two schools before the committee can move forward. Director Burke agreed with Director Geary.

DECISION:

No motion was made.
The item was tabled for further discussion.

c. BTA IV: Approval of License and Subscription Fees for PowerSchool Maintenance and Support for 36 months for \$1,096,429.15

Mr. Krull presented a three-year term agreement for license and subscription fees with PowerSchool. He explained that PowerSchool is the vendor and the product of the student information system platform used in Seattle Public Schools. Mr. Krull provided a graphic of the different data and reporting systems used in the District for clarity. He also highlighted some of PowerSchool's

capabilities. Director Pinkham asked if the contract is limited to only 49,000 students as stated in the quote or does it cover all students. Mr. Krull responded that 49,000 is the contract number but every student is covered.

DECISION:

Director Pinkham made a motion for approval.

Director Burke seconded the motion.

This motion was passed unanimously.

d. BTA IV: Approval of Student Computer Refresh to Support Teaching and Learning and Equitable Access for Every Student Districtwide

Mr. Krull presented the Board Action Report seeking approval of the purchase of student devices to support teaching and learning for every student to eliminate equity gaps by ensuring every classroom is allotted the necessary computer device needed based on education specifications. He cited Board Policy No. 0030 and 2022 in support. Director Pinkham voiced his concern about the rollout of Amplify Science in relations to this initiative. Director Geary added that if the Science Instructional Materials is adopted, there is going to be some questions about student access to the curriculum at home. Director Krull replied that DoTS will work with students on home access. Currently there are 1000 technology access points available through a grant with the City of Seattle. Director Harris questioned the sustainability of the grant.

There was discussion on the laptop take-home model. Director Burke stated this will be an equity issue for some students. Director Harris expressed her wish for a deeper dive as she has significant concerns over the approval of Amplify in 2017, before they were aware of waivers. Mr. Krull stated that the community voted for the BTA Levy and there are sufficient funds to support a one-on-one laptop program.

Director Geary voiced her appreciation for the graphs Mr. Krull provided as they daylighted the inequity in technology access across the District.

Director Pinkham pointed out that “Bethel” is listed twice on page 7. Mr. Krull will correct this error.

Director Burke voiced support for moving forward with high schools and middle schools but not elementary schools. Director Burke voiced his concerns about providing one-on-one laptop for grades K-5.

Mr. Krull will share a FAQ with the full Board.

DECISION:

Director Pinkham made a motion for approval.

Director Geary seconded the motion.

This motion was passed with two yeas (Geary, Pinkham) and one nay (Burke).

e. Approval of the Contract Amendment with School Data Solutions for School-Based Implementation of MTSS Student Data Portal

Mr. Jessee presented the Board Action Report to committee seeking approval of the contract amendment. Director Geary asked to include in the BAR detailed information on how Homeschool is distinguished from PowerSchool.

DECISION:

Director Pinkham made a motion for approval.
Director Burke seconded the motion.
This motion was passed unanimously.

f. Approval of the Career and Technical Education Annual Report Per School Board Policy No. 2170

Dr. Perkins presented the annual report to the committee highlighting enrollment and the three strategies. Dan Golosman spoke to Strategy #4, improve facilities and viability of the Seattle Skills Center. Director Harris asked how these offerings are being communicated to the community. Dr. Perkins and Mr. Golosman explained the various ways the CTE team is engaging with the community. Director Geary asked to include a clear list of offerings and locations.

Director Pinkham left the meeting at 6:32 p.m. at which point Director Harris assumed the role of voting committee member.

DECISION:

Director Burke made a motion for approval.
Director Harris seconded the motion.
This motion was passed unanimously.

g. Approval of the Purchase of Technology Using Career and Technical Education Funds

Dr. Perkins presented the Board Action Report seeking approval for the purchase of technology in accordance with the priorities as outlined in the annual CTE Report to the Board. Director Harris asked to enhance engagement with students and the community. Director Burke asked if there is intersection in the high school model of the take-home laptop program. Mr. Krull replied that the take-home laptop program is sufficient for CTE work. Director Burke is concerned that this BAR gives the perception of just buying more laptops and desktops. He requested to include a more detailed description in the background section of the BAR. Director Burke supports this over the K-5 one-on-one laptop program.

DECISION:

Director Harris made a motion for approval.
Director Burke seconded the motion.
This motion was passed unanimously.

h. Approval of School Board Policy No. 2022, Electronic Learning (Kinoshita)

Dr. Kinoshita highlighted the three changes to the policy. All the Directors expressed concern about lack of community engagement. Director Burke is opposed to some of the language in the

policy. He would work on an amendment but does not support the BAR as presented. Dr. Kinoshita will move forward with additional engagement via Thought Exchange.

DECISION:

The item was tabled for further engagement and discussion.

3. Special Attention Items

a. Since Time Immemorial (STI) Update

Dr. Kinoshita presented a draft of the School Board Action Report on Tribal History and Culture Extended Core Instructional Materials Adoption. Director Burke asked if the language around the motion to waive Policy 2015 could be refined as not to suggest that it is permanently waiving Policy 2015. Director Geary asked what is being waived in Policy 2015. Dr. Kinoshita replied the procurement provisions and the adoption committee process.

Director Burke asked if the funding language could be changed to \$300,000 over three years. It is noted in the current BAR as a one-year \$100,000 budget for 2019-20 with a timeline for implementation for a three-year plan. Dr. Kinoshita will ask Mr. Boy to change to \$300,000 as suggested by Director Burke. Director Harris asked Director Burke if he would support moving it forward pending the change in the funding language. Director Harris requested redlining the policy before Board introduction on June 12. Board action will be scheduled on June 26.

DECISION:

Director Harris made a motion for consideration.

Director Burke seconded the motion.

This motion was passed unanimously.

4. Standing Agenda Items

a. Formula for Success: District SMART Goal 2, Eliminating Opportunity Gaps (EOG)

Dr. Jones provided his last update on SMART Goal 2 as the Chief of Equity Partnerships & Engagement. He introduced Dr. Keisha Scarlett who will continue the work.

b. 24 Credits/Secondary Re-visioning Update

Dr. Perkins provided an update on SMART Goal 3 highlighting work on evaluation of Goal 3, High School and Beyond planning, Career and Technical Education and Coordination with FEPP Levy and Seattle Promise. Director Harris inquired about the amount of the Request for Investments (RFI) from the FEPP Levy. Dr. DeBacker will provide the information to the committee.

c. Instructional Materials Update

Dr. Kinoshita provided an update on the Spanish language adoption committee. He named the two finalists for field testing and provided a timeline. Dr. Kinoshita welcomed Chief Sealth High School Spanish teacher, Tricia Nielsen. Ms. Nielsen spoke about her experience as a member of the adoption committee. A Board Action Report will be presented to the committee at the August C&I meeting.

d. C&I Policy Committee Work Plan

In the interest of time, this item was not discussed.

5. Board Policies and Procedures

a. Superintendent Procedure 2185SP, Physical Education Annual Review

Dr. Kinoshita shared an annual review of Physical Education as per Superintendent Procedure 2185SP. Discussion on Adapted PE and Partner PE occurred. Dr. Kinoshita will provide a Friday Memo with a link to a television show coverage of “Partner PE” featuring Seattle Public Schools and to share more information about “Partner PE” listing the schools involved in the program.

b. Annual Approval of Schools – Continuous School Improvement Plans (CSIPs)

Director Geary asked how the CSIPs are being aligned with the strategic plan. In the absence of Dr. Mike Starosky, the item was tabled for further discussion. Dr. DeBacker will discuss the alignment to the strategic plan with Dr. Starosky and report back to the committee.

b. School Board Policy No. 2015, Selection and Adoption of Instructional Materials (Kinoshita)

In the interest of time, the item was tabled for further discussion.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:06 p.m.

Approved by: _____ Date: _____