

Portland Community College Board of Directors  
PO BOX 19000, Portland, Oregon 97280

March 4, 2021  
Via remote access

**BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

**ATTENDANCE**

Mohamed Alyajouri, Denise Frisbee, Jim Harper, Tiffani Penson, Dan Saltzman, Michael Sonnleitner, Alex Díaz Rios, Riley Turner

**BOARD FORUM**

The board discussed a closer relationship with a few members of the Oregon School Board Association.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The board met in accordance with ORS 192.660 (2), (d) labor negotiations and (k) school safety.

**WORK SESSION**

The board met in work session and received updates regarding board policy and self-assessment, Oregon Community College Association (OCCA), Oregon Presidents Council (OPC), and the board equity statement.

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Alyajouri called the Business Meeting to order at 6:31 pm.

**APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

The March 4, 2021 agenda was approved as published. Penson/Harper  
Alyajouri – Yes Penson – Yes Saltzman - Yes  
Díaz Rios - Yes Sonnleitner – Yes  
Frisbee - Yes Harper - Yes

**INFORMATION SESSIONS**

President's Updates – Mark Mitsui

President Mitsui gave an update regarding COVID-19 and reopening, the College's contract with the Department of Corrections, and the National Institute for Staff and Organizational Development (NISOD) Excellence Awards.

Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Update – José Esparza, MENTE: Addressing Latinx Male Educational Disparities

José Esparza presented on MENTE, including their mentorship program, scholarships, and senior institute.

Planning & Capital Construction Housing Update – Linda Degman

Linda Degman provided an update about the process and progress of the Metro Housing site, Facilities Planning stage 2, and the role of the Bond program year 2017 and beyond.

CAFR: Single Audit Report – Kristin Diggs, Eide Bailly  
Tested student financial aid and the higher education emergency relief fund and there were no findings. Eide Bailly issued an unmodified opinion.

Internal Audit Presentation – Jessica Johnson  
The board received a report on the 2020-2021 progress report, internal audit risk assessment, proposed audit plan for 2021-2022, and disclosures.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS**

Vincent Blanco.....21-113  
Jaime Rodriguez.....21-113

### **BUSINESS SESSION**

Chair Alyajouri proposed approval of Resolutions 21-108 to 21-126. Frisbee/Díaz Rios  
Alyajouri – Yes                      Penson – Yes                      Saltzman – Yes  
Díaz Rios – Yes                      Sonleitner – Yes  
Frisbee - Yes                      Harper - Yes

### **PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON AGENDA ITEMS**

Aaron Gardner.....Employee lay-offs, reduced hours  
Ira Erbs.....Internet access and remote work  
Nanci Leiton.....Student equity through internet access  
Barbara Zuercher.....Internet access and remote work help  
Wendy Fresh.....Internet issues for faculty  
Emiliano Vega.....Remote teaching, reorganization, reopening  
Jessica Bernards.....CARES funding

### **REPORTS**

PCC Federation of Faculty and Academic Professionals: Frank Goulard, President  
PCCFFAP is concerned with remote work, the reorganization plan, and representation in discussing the eventual college reopening plan.

PCC Federation of Classified Employees (AFT Local 3922): Jeff Grider, President  
A number of Classified employees who remain out of work are struggling to afford health insurance. Classified employees that are working from home are waiting to hear about a stipend from the Work From Home group that has been meeting.

District Student Council (DSC) – Riley Turner  
Remote learning has been daunting and internet issues are frequent struggles for students. DSC is assessing their structure to align with the College's strategic plan through racial equity and equitable student success lenses. Thank you to the PCC Budget Office for coordinating the student centered Budget Forum.

Board Members:

Director Díaz Rios voiced support for the Washington County Kids ballot measure.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:18 pm.

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Mohamed Alyajouri, Chair

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Mark Mitsui, President

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