

Portland Community College
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August 21, 2025

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

ATTENDANCE

Laurie Cremona Wagner, Tiffani Penson, Kien Truong, Brandy Penner, Dan Saltzman, Greg McKelvey, Gina Sanchez Roletto

WORK SESSION

The Board of Directors met in Work Session, continued conversation and progress around the DRAFT [Board Goals for 2025-2026](#), scheduled board retreat dates for the next two years, and reviewed and signed the [Code of Ethics/Standards of Practice](#) for 2025-2026. Board roles that were not confirmed in July were discussed briefly prior to being announced during the Business Session.

BUSINESS SESSION

Chair Penson called the Business Meeting to order at 6:52 pm.

The August 21, 2025 agenda was approved as published. Saltzman/Cremona Wagner

Cremona Wagner – Yes

Penner – Yes

Sanchez Roletto – Yes

Penson – Yes

Saltzman – Yes

Truong – Yes

McKelvey – Yes

The July 17, 2025 minutes were approved as published. Penner/Saltzman

Cremona Wagner – Yes

Penner – Yes

Sanchez Roletto – Yes

Penson – Yes

Saltzman – Yes

Truong – Yes

McKelvey – Yes

Chair Penson announced the remainder of the board roles that had yet to be determined, following a final conversation during the Work Session:

- Audit Committee Representative - Director Saltzman
- Foundation Representative - Director Penner
- OCCA Representative - Director Sanchez Roletto

President Bennings swore in Student Trustee for 2025-2026, Fareeha Nayebare

Once approved by the Board of Directors, President Bennings swore in Chair Penson and Vice Chair McKelvey.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

NONE.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Justin Enslinger; PCCFCE Bargaining and Contract Action Team; in-person

REPORTS

Reports were provided by ASPCC Senate President/Student Trustee, Fareeha Nayebare, Jeff Grider, PCC Federation of Classified Employees (AFT Local 3922); Ben Cushing (AFT Local 2277); Board Members Penner, Saltzman and Sanchez Roletto

PRESIDENT'S REPORTS & UPDATES

President Bennings shared updates regarding a \$250K grant awarded to PCC to support Pathways to Opportunity and Career Pathways. Board Members and public were invited to a Future Connect event on September 9 to celebrate and welcome the 15th cohort of students. Thus far \$1.6 million of the \$3.2 million set aside for scholarships has been awarded to students via the PCC Foundation. Other important items noted were the Home Forward Housing Ribbon Cutting, the 9th annual Jade International Night Market, and the renewed efforts and partnership between PCC and the City of Newberg. The first cohort of PCC's new Nursing Assistant program launched in July with students' expenses being fully funded through the Future Ready Oregon grant. Kudos were given to Josh Cary for his participation in a Biosciences Summer Industry Fellows Program hosted by the National Center for the Biotechnology Workforce of Forsyth Technical Community College and the Bezos Center for Sustainable Proteins.

President Bennings invited Cabinet representatives to provide further updates:

- [Personnel Action Report \(PAR\)](#) - Dr. Howard Croom, AVP, PSEC
- NWCCU Accreditation – Dr. Jennifer Ernst, VP of Academic Affairs
- Federal Response Task Force – Dr. Jennifer Ernst, VP of Academic Affairs; Sage Learn, Executive Director of College Relations
- Student Support – Vicky Lopez Sanchez, VP of Student Affairs; Josh Peters McBride, AVP, College Operations

CONSENT AGENDA

Chair Penson proposed approval of Resolutions 26-010 through 26-013

Saltzman/Penson

Cremona Wagner – Yes

Penson – Yes

Truong – Yes

Penner – Yes

Saltzman – Yes

McKelvey – Yes

Sanchez Roletto – Yes

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:15 pm.

Tiffani Penson, Chair

Dr. Adrien L. Bennings, President

Prepared by:

Jennifer Hamlin, Board Coordinator

Minutes approved on September 18, 2025