



PORTLAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Business Meeting



May 21, 2026



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

May 21, 2026

[Sylvania Campus](#)

12000 SW 49th Avenue, Portland, OR 97219, CC Building, Rooms 233 A/B

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Agenda

5:00 PM Executive Session

In accordance with ORS 192.660 (2) (f) To consider information or records that are exempt by law from public inspection and (h) litigation.

Media Requests to join the Executive Session can be phoned in to 971.722.7268 or emailed to boardmember@pcc.edu by noon of the meeting date. Please use MEDIA REQUEST in the subject line.

5:45 PM Board Dinner (*invite only*)

6:45 PM Business Session

Rooms 233A/B

- Call to Order
- Approval of Agenda — May 21, 2026
- Approval of Minutes — April 15, 2026
- Approval of Minutes — May 14, 2026

6:50 PM Public Comment on Agenda Items

Persons wishing to make public comment on agenda items can [request a time slot](#). Details and directions can be found at the link. Deadline for signups: Wednesday, May 20 at 5:00 pm.

7:05 PM Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items

Persons wishing to make public comment on agenda items can [request a time slot](#). Details and directions can be found at the link. Deadline for signups: Wednesday, May 20 at 5:00 pm.

7:20 PM Reports

- ASPCC Senate President & Student Trustee – Fareeha Nayebare

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- PCC Federation of Faculty and Academic Professionals (AFT Local 2277) – Ben Cushing, President
- PCC Federation of Classified Employees (AFT Local 3922) - Jeff Grider, President
- Board Members

7:40 PM President’s Reports and College Updates

- President’s Reports
 - Fall to Winter Retention Metrics
- College Updates

8:00 PM Information Sessions

Operational Excellence: Efficiency, Effectiveness, and Fiscal Sustainability

- **Q3 Budget Update** – Chris Kinsley, interim VP of Business & Finance / CFO

8:15 PM Consent Agenda

(All items will be approved by consent agenda unless an item is withdrawn by request of a member of the Board. A separate motion will then be required to act on the item in question.)

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8:20 PM Adjournment

April 16, 2026

Board Meeting Minutes

Attendance

Laurie Cremona Wagner, Tiffani Penson, Kien Truong, Brandy Penner, Gina Sanchez Roletto (remote)

Executive Session

The PCC Board of Directors met in accordance with ORS 192.660 to discuss (f) To consider information or records that are exempt by law from public inspection.

Work Session

The PCC Board of Directors met in Work Session to review and discuss Board Policy B401 Archival and BP 6320 - [Cash & Investment Program Policy](#) (first reading).

Business Session

Chair Penson called the Special Meeting to order at 7:44 pm.

The April 16, 2026 agenda was approved as published. Cremona Wagner/Penner

- Cremona Wagner – Yes
- Penson – Yes
- Truong – Yes
- Penner – Yes
- Saltzman – Absent
- McKelvey – Yes
- Sanchez Roletto – Yes

The March 19, 2026 minutes were approved as published. McKelvey/Penner

- Cremona Wagner – Yes
- Penson – Yes
- Truong – Yes
- Penner – Yes
- Saltzman – Absent
- McKelvey – Yes
- Sanchez Roletto – Yes

The March 30, 2026 minutes were approved as published. Penner/Cremona Wagner

- Cremona Wagner – Yes
- Penson – Yes
- Truong – Yes
- Penner – Yes
- Saltzman – Absent
- McKelvey – Yes
- Sanchez Roletto – Yes

The April 2, 2026 minutes were approved as published. McKelvey/Penner

- Cremona Wagner – Yes
- Penson – Yes
- Truong – Yes
- Penner – Yes
- Saltzman – Absent
- McKelvey – Yes
- Sanchez Roletto – Yes

Public Comment on Agenda Items

- Michael Sonnleitner; Archival of Board Policy B 401; remote

Public Comment on Agenda Items

- Jenny Sasser; Gerontology Program; remote
- Jessica Bernards; Concerns about President Leadership; remote
- Shawnta Creech; Program Closures; remote
- Michael Sonnleitner; Healing Relationships; remote
- Ann Tomer; Workplace Culture; in-person
- Christine Weber; Student Success at PCC; in-person
- Aurora Newkirk; Strike Response; in-person
- Rachana Son; No program cuts; in-person
- Helen Spencer-Wallace; Music & Sonic Arts; in-person
- Yvette Rosales; Fiscal Sustainability Action Plan; in-person
- Erika Anderson; MSA; in-person
- Blanca Coma Rosello; How PCC feels after the strike; 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 Truong, Penner and Penson

Policy

Chair Penson proposed approval to *remove* Agenda Item 26-071 until a future meeting, following a second reading, due to a previous oversight. Truong/Penner

- Cremona Wagner – Yes
- Penson – Yes

- Truong – Yes
- Penner – Yes
- Saltzman – Absent
- McKelvey – Yes
- Sanchez Roletto – Yes

Consent Agenda

Chair Penson proposed approval of Resolutions 26-072 through 26-077.
McKelvey/Penner

- Cremona Wagner – Yes
- Penson – Yes
- Truong – Yes
- Penner – Yes
- Saltzman – Absent
- McKelvey – Yes
- Sanchez Roletto – Yes

Non-Consent Agenda

Chair Penson proposed approval of Resolution 26-078. Trong/Penson

During Discussion Director Truong moved to amended Resolution 26-078 to add the following paragraph at the end of the resolution:

Notwithstanding the advance authorization provided under CCR.300(4)(b)(iii), prior to execution of any sale agreement, the President shall present the final negotiated terms to the Board of Directors at a regular or special meeting for final approval. The Board's advance authorization under this resolution shall be contingent upon such final approval. Truong/Penner

Discussion continued to ensure clarity prior to the vote.

- Cremona Wagner – No
- Penson – Yes
- Truong – Yes
- Penner – Yes
- Saltzman – Absent
- McKelvey – Yes
- Sanchez Roletto – Yes

Director Truong moved to adopt Resolution 26-078 as amended. Truong/Penner

- Cremona Wagner – Yes
- Penson – Yes
- Truong – Yes
- Penner – Yes
- Saltzman – Absent
- McKelvey – Yes
- Sanchez Roletto – Yes

Chair Penson proposed approval of Resolution 26-079. McKelvey/Cremona Wagner

- Cremona Wagner – Yes

- Penson – Yes
- Truong – No
- Penner – Yes
- Saltzman – Absent
- McKelvey – Yes
- Sanchez Roletto – Yes

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:43 pm.

Tiffani Penson, Chair

Dr. Katy Ho, Acting President

Prepared by:

Jennifer Hamlin, Board Coordinator
Minutes approved on May 21, 2026

Portland Community College
PO BOX 19000, Portland, Oregon 97280

May 14, 2026

Board Meeting Minutes

Special Meeting

Remote

Attendance

Tiffani Penson, Laurie Cremona Wagner, Kien Truong, Brandy Penner, Dan Saltzman, Gina Sanchez Roletto, Fareeha Nayebare

Executive Session

The PCC Board of Directors met in accordance with ORS 192.660 to discuss (f) To consider information or records that are exempt by law from public inspection.

Public Meeting

Chair Penson called the Special Meeting to order at 5:30 pm.

The May 14, 2026 agenda was approved as published. Saltzman/Penner

- Cremona Wagner – Yes
- Penson – Yes
- Truong – Yes
- Penner – Yes
- Saltzman – Yes
- McKelvey – Yes
- Sanchez Roletto – Yes

Chair Penson provided comments noting that the Board will consider and vote on an important transition of PCC leadership. The Chair stated “...*this is the right time for a leadership transition, both for Dr. Bennings and for the College. Tonight, the Board will be voting on a voluntary separation agreement with Dr. Bennings. The separation agreement provides that Dr. Bennings will be on FMLA leave through June 30, which will be her last day of employment with the College. Dr. Bennings will then receive a severance payment of \$261,000, which is the equivalent of 9 months of salary, and up to 9 months of health insurance. She will also receive her \$25,000 retention bonus, recognizing her service for the 2025-26 academic year. We know that Dr. Bennings will continue to effect change for the better in her next endeavor.*

... *The Board will also be voting tonight on a motion to authorize PCC Executive Vice President Dr. Katy Ho to assume all the duties of the president of the College effective immediately. Dr. Ho will also continue to oversee her current portfolio of strategic*

leadership for Operations, Strategic Planning & Policy, Information Technology, Brand Management, and People Strategy. We are grateful that Dr. Ho has agreed to assume these duties. Dr. Ho has requested that she maintain her current salary and compensation at this time even as she takes on this larger role...

Chair Penson asked for a motion regarding a separation agreement with Dr. Bennings. Vice Chair McKelvey moved to approve the voluntary separation agreement with Dr. Bennings that includes the terms described by the chair and has been reviewed by the Board, and authorize Chair Penson to execute the agreement on behalf of the Board. Director Cremona Wagner seconded the motion.

During discussion, statements of thanks to Dr. Bennings were made by Directors Saltzman, Penner, Cremona Wagner, Nayebare. Director Truong made a statement providing reason for a "no" vote.

- Cremona Wagner – Yes
- Penson – Yes
- Truong – No
- Penner – Yes
- Saltzman – Yes
- McKelvey – Yes
- Sanchez Roletto – Yes

Chair Penson called for a motion to approve the authorization for Dr. Ho to assume the duties of the President.

Vice Chair McKelvey moved to authorize Executive Vice President Katy Ho to assume the duties of president of Portland Community College pending determination of the plans for identifying the next president.

Director Truong seconded the motion. During discussion comments in favor of Dr. Ho were made by Directors Saltzman, Cremona Wagner, Nayebare and 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 5:55 pm.

Tiffani Penson, Chair

Dr. Katy Ho, Acting President

Prepared by:

Jennifer Hamlin, Board Coordinator
Minutes approved on May 21, 2026

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26-081

CONTINUOUS APPOINTMENT: FACULTY

PREPARED BY: Juliette Anderson, People Partner, People Strategy, Equity, & Culture

APPROVED BY: Dr. Howard Croom, Associate Vice President, People Strategy, Equity, & Culture
Dr. Katy Ho, Acting President

STRATEGIC THEME: Shared Values: People, Connectedness, and Empowerment

REPORT: The President RECOMMENDS that the following Faculty, having fulfilled the required probationary period, be granted continuous appointment, effective September 1, 2026:

RECOMMENDATION:	<u>Continuous Appointment</u>	<u>Job Title</u>
	Michelle du Bois	Instr / Opthal Med Tech
	Morgan Finn	Instr / Medical Assisting
	Michael Hunter-Bernstein	Instr / Dev Ed/ABE
	Camille Walker	Instr / Health Information Mgmt

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26-082

CONTINUOUS APPOINTMENT: ADMINISTRATION

PREPARED BY: Juliette Anderson, People Partner, People Strategy, Equity, & Culture

APPROVED BY: Dr. Howard Croom, Associate Vice President, People Strategy, Equity, & Culture
Dr. Katy Ho, Acting President

STRATEGIC THEME: Shared Values: People, Connectedness, and Empowerment

REPORT: The President RECOMMENDS that the following Academic Professionals, having fulfilled the required probationary period, be granted continuous appointment, effective July 1, 2026:

RECOMMENDATION:	<u>Continuous Appointment</u>	<u>Job Title</u>
	Hayden Iverson Todd	Mgr / Pathways Guidance
	Lisa Regan-Vienop	Prog Dean/Hlth & Emerg Prof
	Lynn Robinson	Mgr / Pathways Guidance

May 21, 2026

26-083

RATIFICATION OF LEGAL SERVICES CONTRACT FOR
MILLER NASH LLC

PREPARED BY: Michael Mathews, Executive Director, Procurement & Contracting

FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY: Dr. Katy Ho, Acting President

APPROVED BY: Dr. Katy Ho, Acting President

STRATEGIC THEME: Operational Excellence: Efficiency, Effectiveness, and Fiscal Sustainability; Technological Transformation: Agility, Innovation, and Readiness

REPORT: The College requires ongoing legal counsel to support its operations, protect institutional interests, and ensure compliance with federal, state, and local law. Legal services are specialized, require the exercise of professional judgment, and depend on an established relationship of trust and institutional knowledge. Under ORS 279A.055 and the Community College Rules of Procurement (CCR.250 and CCR.335), legal services are designated as Personal Services Contracts.

Pursuant to CCR.336(D)(1)(d), the College may procure legal services through direct negotiation because the nature of the work requires an ongoing, long-term relationship of knowledge and trust. Legal services are expressly identified in CCR.336 as a category of personal services for which direct negotiation is appropriate.

The College seeks Board ratification of a legal services contract with Miller Nash for the period of July 1, 2025, through June 30, 2026, for an amount not to exceed \$1,000,000. This contract covers general counsel, transactional, litigation, labor and employment, real property, regulatory compliance, and related legal services as needed by the College.

Ratification is requested because the contract term began before Board authorization was requested due to a clerical error. This error occurred during the transition from a long-term contract to the current blanket order contract. The services covered by this contract were and are necessary to protect the College's legal interests and could not be deferred without risk to the institution.

The contract is structured on a time-and-materials basis with established hourly rates. Actual costs will depend on the volume and complexity of legal matters during the contract period. The General Fund budget will be used for this expenditure. Currently, no firms registered with the Oregon COBID offer the specialized legal services required by the College for this engagement.

RECOMMENDATION: The Board of Directors ratifies the legal services contract with Miller Nash for the period of July 1, 2025, through June 30, 2026, with the option to renew for two additional one-year periods, in an annual amount not to exceed \$1,000,000. The General Fund budget will be used for this request.

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26-084

AUTHORIZATION TO CONTRACT WITH CDW GOVERNMENT
LLC FOR SOLARWINDS

PREPARED BY: Michael Mathews, Executive Director, Procurement & Contracting

FINANCIAL
RESPONSIBILITY: Brandon Gatke, Chief Information Officer, Information Technology

APPROVED BY: Dr. Katy Ho, Acting President

STRATEGIC THEME: Operational Excellence: Efficiency, Effectiveness, and Fiscal Sustainability; Technological Transformation: Agility, Innovation, and Readiness

REPORT: Portland Community College's Information Technology Department relies on robust network monitoring tools to ensure the security, reliability, and performance of district-wide infrastructure. Pursuant to CCR.205, the college needs to procure Network Performance Monitor SLX through a properly solicited cooperative purchasing agreement to support proactive monitoring, fault detection, and performance management across instructional, administrative, and infrastructure systems.

The three-year subscription costs are broken down as follows: Year one (FY26) is \$98,759.08, year two (FY27) is \$110,609.97, and year three (FY28) is \$123,883.34, for a total contract value of \$339,423.90.

CDW Government LLC is not a COBID-certified firm. No COBID-certified firms provide a comparable product.

RECOMMENDATION: The Board of Directors authorizes the college to enter into a contract with CDW Government LLC for Solarwinds for a term of three (3) years for the total amount of \$333,252.39. This expense will be covered by the General Fund.

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26-085

RATIFICATION OF THE INCREASE OF CONTRACT
KOGNITIV INC. FOR WORKDAY STUDENT
IMPLEMENTATION SERVICES

PREPARED BY: Michael Mathews, Executive Director, Procurement & Contracting

FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY: Brandon Gatke, Chief Information Officer, Information Technology

APPROVED BY: Dr. Katy Ho, Acting President

STRATEGIC THEME: Operational Excellence: Efficiency, Effectiveness, and Fiscal Sustainability; Technological Transformation: Agility, Innovation, and Readiness; Academic Excellence: Student Success, Delivery, and Programming

REPORT: Portland Community College relies on Workday Student to support core student information functions, including admissions, financial aid, registration, and academic records. Kognitiv, Inc. provides specialized implementation services for the college. The college entered into an agreement with Kognitiv, Inc. on June 30, 2025, to provide Workday Student Implementation services as previously approved pursuant to Board Resolution 25-089. The Contract was issued pursuant to Portland Community College Rules of Procurement CCR.250.

Currently, no firms registered with Oregon COBID offer Workday Student Implementation Services.

RECOMMENDATION: The Board of Directors ratifies the contract amendment with Kognitiv Inc. for \$231,000.00, which increases the total contract value to \$481,000.00 through June 30, 2027. The funding source is the College Workday ERP Implementation Fund.

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26-086

AUTHORIZATION TO CONTRACT WITH EDNETICS FOR JUNIPER CARE RENEWAL

PREPARED BY: Michael Mathews, Executive Director, Procurement & Contracting

FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY: Brandon Gatke, Chief Information Officer, Information Technology

APPROVED BY: Dr. Katy Ho, Acting President

STRATEGIC THEME: Operational Excellence: Efficiency, Effectiveness, and Fiscal Sustainability; Technological Transformation: Agility, Innovation, and Readiness

REPORT: Portland Community College relies on Juniper networking equipment and support services to deliver secure, reliable, and high-performance connectivity for instructional, administrative, and infrastructure systems. Pursuant to CCR.205, the college procured Juniper Care service agreements through the NASPO ValuePoint cooperative purchasing agreement to provide timely hardware replacement, technical support, and software updates for district-wide network operations. To ensure continued coverage for these essential network systems, the college is requesting Board approval to enter into a contract with Ednetics for \$298,716.16 to renew Juniper Care services through April 16, 2027.

Ednetics is not a COBID-certified firm. No COBID-certified firms provide a comparable product.

RECOMMENDATION: Portland Community College Board of Directors authorizes the college to amend the contract with Ednetics for Juniper Care Renewal. The total cost will be \$298,716.16 through April 16, 2027. This contract will be funded through the General Fund.

It is against the College's policy for any manager, supervisor, faculty member, staff member, or student to engage in prohibited harassment or discrimination of any member of the College community. PCC adheres to all federal, state, and local civil rights laws and regulations prohibiting discrimination in public institutions of higher education, including applicable provisions of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (as amended); related Executive Orders 11246 and 11375; Title IX of the Education Amendments Act of 1972; Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973; Titles I and II of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (as amended); the Age Discrimination in Employment Act, the Uniformed Service Employment and Reemployment Rights Act, and all applicable federal, state, and local civil rights laws. PCC does not discriminate against any employee, applicant for employment, student, or applicant for admission on the race, color, religion, national origin, sex, marital status, disability, veteran status, age, sexual orientation, or any other status protected by federal, state, or local law including protections for those opposing discrimination or participating in any resolution process on campus, with the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission or other human rights agencies. This policy covers nondiscrimination in both employment and access to educational opportunities. Therefore, any member of the PCC community who acts to deny, deprive, or limit the educational or employment and/or social access, benefits, and/or opportunities of any member of the PCC community, guest, or visitor on the basis of their actual or perceived membership in the protected classes listed above is in violation of PCC's policy on nondiscrimination.