



# BUDGET COMMITTEE

Christy Perry, Superintendent

## MINUTES

### BUDGET COMMITTEE MEETING (Informal/Organizational)

March 20, 2018

6 p.m.

2575 Commercial Street SE, Salem, Oregon 97302

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

##### a. Attendance

*Present:* Rachel Dewey-Thorsett, Virginia Stapleton, Levi Herrera-Lopez, Kathy Goss, Marcia Atkinson, Chuck Lee, Sheronne Blassi, Jim Green, Paul Kylo, Kathleen Harder, Superintendent Christy Perry. Marty Heyen was present via conference call.

*Absent:* Jesse Lippold, Mark Bateman, Adam Kohler

#### 2. ELECTIONS FOR 2018-19 BUDGET COMMITTEE

##### a. Election of Chair

Chuck Lee nominated Sheronne Blassi for budget committee chair. Paul Kylo seconded the nomination. Sheronne Blassi was unanimously elected as chair.

##### b. Election of Vice Chair

Paul Kylo nominated Levi Herrera-Lopez for vice chair of the budget committee. Jim Green seconded the nomination. Levi Herrera-Lopez was unanimously elected as vice chair.

#### 3. TRANSPORTATION INFRASTRUCTURE

Chief Operations Officer Mike Wolfe presented information regarding the district's transportation infrastructure. He gave a description of district's fleet, including status and challenges the district faces. He also reviewed industry standards, regulatory issues, and depreciation. Mr. Wolfe answered questions posed by budget committee members.

#### 4. CTE / MEASURE 98

Assistant Superintendent Kelly Carlisle presented information regarding Career Technical Education (CTE) and Measure 98, including supplemental support. He noted the importance of viewing CTE in association with improved graduation rates. He provided an overview of modern and innovative programs, career pathways, providing current and relevant instruction, and connecting students, educators, and industry. He also highlighted the district's work and answered question posed by the budget committee.

#### 5. FOLLOW-UP QUESTIONS

Superintendent Perry, Mr. Wolfe, Mr. Carlisle, and Linda Myers (director of strategic initiatives) answered various questions from budget committee members about the impact of class size and associated staffing, and about behavioral learning referrals and placements.

**6. PERS 101**

Mike Wolfe provided an overview of Oregon’s Public Employees Retirement System (PERS), including an explanation of tiers, basics on unfunded liability, components of the district’s PERS rate, PERS unfunded actuarial liability (UAL), and information regarding the 2017-19 biennium. He referenced a document “PERS by the Numbers” that provides additional information. Mr. Wolfe answered questions posed by budget committee members.

**7. NEXT MEETINGS**

- a. Superintendent’s Budget Message  
6 p.m., Tuesday, April 24
- b. Budget Committee Meeting (first opportunity for public comment)  
7 p.m., Tuesday, May 8

**8. ADJOURNMENT – 7:40 p.m.**