

**Portland Board of Education
Curriculum Subcommittee
Minutes of Wednesday, October 1, 2025 @ 3:30 pm**

Committee Members Present:

Laurel Steinhauser
Kim Nagy-Maruschock

Committee Members Absent:

None

Administration Present:

Dr. Charles D. Britton, Superintendent of Schools
Chuck Hershon, Director of Teaching and Learning

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

L. Steinhauser called the meeting to order at 3:33 pm

2. Committee Role/Responsibilities Review

A. Resources: PPS Board Policy 6141 – The Curriculum Committee

There was a discussion regarding the policy stating that board members should participate in curriculum committee meetings. It was noted that the policy is not in alignment with current practice. A suggestion was made to review how other districts handle this and then bring the matter to the Policy Committee to determine if revisions are needed. L. Steinhauser expressed concern that having a board member at the table during curriculum development felt uncomfortable, as she does not believe board members should be that directly involved in the work of curriculum creation.

3. Written Curriculum Status Report

C. Hershon submitted and reviewed the PPS Curriculum Status Update. Highlights included an executive summary, assessment alignment- curriculum release days, Level 1 curriculum completion, and the four priority projects. Discussion followed regarding the Vision of the Graduate reporting, with clarification that this will not replace academic standings/grades but will be an addition to them.

4. Performance Results Presentation – Planning Discussion

A. Academic Achievement Results

C. Hershon reviewed his plan for presenting the results at a future board meeting.

B. Other measures monitored through the Next Generation Accountability Index

C. Hershon will present results at the February 3, 2026, board meeting.

5. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 4:31 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Tricia Dean
Executive Assistant to the Superintendent/Board Clerk