

Regular School Board Meeting minutes

Via in person and ZOOM/Owl

Wednesday, May 20, 2026

Board approved:

A Regular School Board Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Corbett School District was held Wednesday, May 20, 2026, beginning at 7:00 PM via in person and via ZOOM/Owl virtual platform and in person at Corbett Middle School Cafeteria. Board members present were Dylan Rickert (virtual); David Osborn, Vice Chair; Sis Childs; Malinda Carlson and Zac Arndt. Board members Leah Fredericks, Chair, and Ben Byers had excused absences. Also present were Administrators Derek Fialkiewicz, Ed.D., Superintendent; Brie Windust, Business Office Assistant/ZOOM moderator; Jeanne Swift, Assistant Superintendent/Student Services Director; Kalkin Stransky, Business Manager and Robin Lindeen-Blakeley, Deputy Clerk/HR Lead. Student Representatives Olivia Young and Leena Saied were also at the Board table. NOTE: The minutes are prepared to coincide with time scheduled matters and the numbering system of the agenda and is not necessarily the actual order of happenings at the meeting.

1. PRELIMINARY BUSINESS

CMS Cafeteria at 31520 E. Woodard Rd., Troutdale OR 97060

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1.1. Call to Order / Flag Salute

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7:01 p.m. David Osborn, Vice Chair, called the meeting to order and led the participants in the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

1.2. Review and Acceptance of Agenda

David Osborn, Vice Chair, noted no changes presented.

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1.3. Board Vice Chair Report Information Item

David Osborn, Vice Chair announced:

- a. Rural Caucus Scholarship for upcoming conference – noted the opportunity for zero cost to the District
- b. OSBA Summer School
- c. June 1, 2026, Staff Appreciation/Recognition Breakfast
- d. June 1, 2026, Graduation – congratulations to the seniors
- e. June 10, 2026, Special School Board Meeting/Workshop
- f. Welcome to Kalkin Stransky, new Business Manager

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2. Introduction and Comments of Guests and Representatives

David Osborn, Vice Chair, reminded the three-minute time limit and the procedures for public comment as established by Policy.

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7:05 p.m.

- a. Kathie Freund, patron – spoke about the 6/7/8 CAPS students that toured the Crown Point Country Museum on May 20. She noted that all should be proud of their behavior and questions. The old yearbooks were a big hit. 145 more students will be coming to see the museum. Saturday and Sunday the museum is open and there is free admittance to the public.

2.1. Student Presentations Information Items

Dr. Fialkiewicz commented that one of the highlights of his Superintendence is to see students grow, especially with the 8th grade culminating projects, with skills learned to last a lifetime and to push them to be successful. Since CAPS is on an overnight field trip, hope to bring them to report next month. His monthly blog article was written about the 8th grade speeches and Cardinal Projects at Corbett SD.

- a. Mila Windust - CMS 8th Grader, Cardinal Project – was introduced by 7th/8th grade teacher Lucas Houck, who gave a history of the Cardinal project started about seven years ago. Students can focus on any arena they want to take on for them and their family. They document their failures, setbacks, adversities and successes until spring break and then do a slide show presentation in front of a large group of their peers about what they learned and discovered.

7:14 p.m. Mila reported that she focused on a creative and fun art project which began with Pinterest and the desire to embroider blue jeans. She learned from her mother, who learned from her Grandma. She learned three techniques with videos and several tools and became comfortable through practice with 11 different stitches. Her slide show is in the extras for the meeting on BoardBook Premier.

- b. Jackson Chiu, HS Student - Robotics/FRC – represented the Cardinal Dynamics 6696 team, with a season summary. The slide show presented is an extra on BoardBook Premier. He has been involved for four seasons and is the Captain this year. He was joined by Co-Captain, Ellen Horton, a five-year team member. They both said it is more than building robots, with guided mentoring, marketing, fundraising and community impact, as students do all the work, using strategy, data, and competition to drive it all. Building resources with outreach events, planning and using CAD robots and fabrication sheets, testing and driving over six weeks of putting together before competition on the seventh week. They won

two district events with 40 teams at fourth and fifth place in Oregon, they were eleventh in the Pacific NW (WA/OR) with 140 teams, and ended up 340th in the world which is the top 10%. Challenges have been facility practices in Camas WA, and money factors. A handout was given to the Board regarding Outreach.

7:39 p.m. 2.2. Auditors' Report for FY 24-25 Information Item

Ashraf Farishta Lakhina, President and CPA from Umpqua Valley Financial and Jean Larson, *Director of Government Resource Management & Senior Audit Manager*, reported virtually on the opinions and disclaimers of the audit on pages 89-90. Transactions not recorded and not completed through General Ledger and June journal entry items were not entered into the system. There was not sufficient evidence of material internal controls and bank reconciliations. Delays with information and communication, as they weren't able to complete after Regina Sampson left, with no indication that help was needed. Difficult findings on Federal Awards audit as well.

David Osborn asked about variance of \$289,000.00 and transition of personnel with help now from OASBO. What is timeline and scope.

Ms. Lakhina said that debt payments were not in system and bank reconciliation varied, with more cash than what is in General Ledger.

Sis Childs suggested more checks and balances moving forward with stronger oversight and transparent reporting to rebuild trust with accountability. We learned and we'll do better with new leadership.

Ms. Larson said moving forward will be talking about recording in 2025-26 year to settle somewhere and establish items that didn't get done in 2024-25. Corrective action is how you do it with training and who has federal audit clearing, as can't file until complete. Recommendations are in the audit.

Dr. Fialkiewicz asked about Ending Fund Balance (EFB) in 24-25 and then for 25-26 General Fund (GF).

Ms. Lakhina said the GF balance (\$628,070) and G.O. Bond Debt Service Funds are in the positive. Federal Fund and Food Service Fund are in the negative (pages 63-66).

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2.3. OSBA/PACE Legal Report Information Item

Haley Percell, Chief Legal Officer and Deputy Executive Director, reported virtually with a slide show attached in BoardBook Premier as an extra. She gave a recap of the two federal SBMH grants, program history, and CSD's award in 2020. April 29, 2025 was a notice of non-continuation for the Oregon schools receiving the funding. Several States filed lawsuits and in June 2025 the State of Washington took the lead. The USDOE filed appeal which is pending. She is helping with OSBA members under the Legal Assistance Trust and many AG's are representing others. In January 2026 communication from the USDOE said they could recover funds and then in March 2026 under protest they would

fund again. A risk benefit analysis seems unlikely that they would come back for funds.
8:21 p.m. Malinda Carlson asked how many States are working together?

Ms. Percell said all Attorney General offices are working together.

Sis Childs expressed disgust and infuriation that our own government is not working toward high priority of mental health.

3. Approval of Minutes Action Item

Malinda Carlson moved and Sis Childs seconded;

RESOLUTION NO. 5.123-26 — RESOLVED that the Board approved the minutes of the Regular School Board meeting of April 15, 2026.

The vote of the Board was 5-0.

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3.1. CONSENT AGENDA

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Board Vice Chair Osborn moved directly to a vote after clarification of item 4.1.a. date change from Ms. Lindeen-Blakeley:

3.1 Consent AgendaResolution Items 5.124-26**- 5.134-26** - Action *Items**

4.1.a. **RESOLUTION NO. 5.124-26-RESOLVED** that the Board updated the Budget Calendar to show the date change from May 20 to May 27, 2026, for the Publish Notice of Budget Hearing.

5.2 **RESOLUTION NO. 5.125-26 — RESOLVED** that the Board confirmed the following coaching resignations: Skyler Stone from JV Mens' Soccer; Christa Hill from JV Volleyball and Mark McIntire from Womens' Head Varsity Soccer Coach.

5.3RESOLUTION NO. 5.126-26** — RESOLVED** that the Board confirmed the updates for coaching stipends for Vernon Smartlowitt, Asst. Varsity HS Girls Basketball, Level B Step I; Paul Rondema as Asst. Varsity HS Track coach, Level B Step III and JB Blume and Dave Ray splitting Asst. Varsity HS Softball stipends at Level B Step I.

5.4RESOLUTION NO. 5.127-26** — RESOLVED** that the Board reconfirmed FMLA and OR PFML for Mandi Young, 1.00 FTE Counselor/Learning Specialist, effective March 4-5, 9-12, 19 and 30, 2026, April 1-2, 6-8, 15-16, 23, and 27-28, 2026, May 4-7, 11-14, 2026, and on intermittent leave as needed through June 2, 2026.

5.5RESOLUTION NO. 5.128-26 — RESOLVED** that the Board reconfirmed the FMLA for Erica Boykins, 1.00 FTE CMS/CHS Counselor/SBMH Social Worker, effective March 16-June 2, 2026, and the OR PFML effective March 14-May 8, 2026.

5.6 **RESOLUTION NO. 5.129-26 — RESOLVED** that the Board confirmed the Professional Services Agreement between the Oregon Association of School Business Officials and Corbett School District effective April 27–June 30, 2026, with Nancy Hall as our interim Business Manager.

5.7RESOLUTION NO. 5.130-26** — RESOLVED** that the Board confirmed the hire of Melissa Warren, 1.00 FTE 4th/5th Grade Teacher, effective August 20, 2026.

5.8RESOLUTION NO. 5.131-26**—RESOLVED** that the Board confirmed the hire of Ben Cornett, .5 FTE GS Learning Specialist, effective August 20, 2026.

5.9RESOLUTION NO. 5.132-26**—RESOLVED** that the Board confirmed the hire of Zackary (Zack) Trani, 1.00 FTE 7th/8th Grade Teacher, effective August 20, 2024.

5.10RESOLUTION NO. 5.133-26**—RESOLVED** that the Board confirmed the FMLA for Jennifer Ducey, 1.00 FTE CHS Teacher, effective April 29- June 2, 2026.

5.11RESOLUTION NO. 5.134-26** — RESOLVED** that the Board confirmed the hire of Matt Jumago, 1.00 FTE K-6th Learning Specialist, effective August 20, 2026.

The vote of the Board was 5-0 in favor of 3.1 Consent Agenda Resolution Items 5.124-26**-5.134.26**.

4. Superintendent Fialkiewicz's Report Information/Discussion Items

Dr. Fialkiewicz announced that GS Principal Cassie Duprey was named to COSA's Oregon Elementary School Principals Association (OESPA) Executive Committee for an at large term ending in 2028-29.

4.1. a. Financial Updates — financial review timeline – not information at this time in the agenda.

b. MOU - SBMH staff flex June summer schedule – still working with CEA -on hold.

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4.1.a. See Consent Item 3.1

4.2. Update on Corbett School campus upgrades and/or grants

Derek Fialkiewicz, Ed.D., Superintendent announced:

a. Summer Learning Grant Program – Marleen Carroll applied for the original grant and was denied, but it was appealed along with other Districts due to scoring mechanism, and now have received about 75% of the original or about \$250,000.00 for CSD. Ms. Carroll is working with K-8 Principals and in the process of hiring staff for a five to six weeks' program for students who need extra assistance or intervention.

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4.3. FINANCIAL REPORTS / MATTERS

4.3.a. Report Information Item

Dr. Fialkiewicz reported from Nancy Hall's April's Revenue (RV) and Expense (XP) Summary, in the Board packet, showing the Beginning Fund Balance (BFB) \$628,069, now audited. This is from the Forecast 5 reporting. She is reconciling and tracking RV into accounts that weren't tracked to EFB in the 100 Fund. Cautiously looking at \$1.2 million Projected Ending Fund Balance (PEFB) estimated for the end of the 25-26 Fiscal year, given previous year's May and June RV/XP. We should have much sounder numbers by the end of June. Let Dr. Fialkiewicz know if there are other items for reporting needs in the financial reports.

Board discussion on how this affects budgeted numbers for our statutory deadline to adopt budget by June 30 and versus actuals and how nice to see Forecast 5 reporting tool being used. More explanation would be great.

Also part of the Board packet report is the May 2026 State School Fund numbers. This included the back payments of February, March and April due to audit timing and the favorable May adjustment.

Zac Arndt has questions about the High Cost Disability Grant for follow up and adjustments for next year that we may anticipate.

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4.4. Principal / Director/ Supervisor Reports

a. Derek Fialkiewicz, Ed.D., Superintendent, gave the Enrollment Updates: number of current students and application for next year – 1152 current enrollment as of May 20. We are full for next school year with the application to attend and with some on the waiting list.

b. Cassie Duprey – CGS Principal – spoke to the Special Education Department’s (SPED) outstanding job, even with lots of turnover, over the last two years. She recognized the growth of students in reading and math grade level met and increases, and four students exited their IEP’s entirely. Thanks to the SPED staff.

Dylan Rickert thanked the SPED staff for the drastic improvement he has seen with his son.

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5. PERSONNEL

Derek Fialkiewicz, Ed.D., Superintendent, read aloud:

a. The FMLA request was adjusted for Deborah Heltborg, .85 FTE SPED Educ.Asst./FLS from April 1-April 16, 2026 and returning at .45 FTE April 20-May 14, 2026, then back to .85 FTE May 18, 2026.

b. The FMLA request was adjusted for Cynthia Deibert - .5 FTE Bus Driver from April 13-May 29, 2026.

c. Confirm the updated resignation date of Dennis Clague, 1.00 FTE CFO, effective May 1, 2026.

d. Confirm the hire of Kalkin Stransky, 1.00 FTE Business Manager, effective May 18, 2026.

e. Unpaid Leave of absence for Kuwaiola Ahina, .5 FTE SBMH Secretary/.5 FTE CAPS Secretary, effective May 14-May 31, 2026.

5.1. Vacant Positions Information Item

Derek Fialkiewicz, Ed.D., Superintendent, apologized for not introducing Kalkin Stransky, our new Business Manager.

Kalkin Stransky is excited to be here. He has worked for the last seven years as an auditor and working with Nancy Hall has given him lots of knowledge and experience. The Board welcomed Mr. Stransky.

Dr. Fialkiewicz thanked Nancy Hall for her work as Interim Business Manager, and her 30 plus years of experience for bringing Kalkin on board. This is a good internal audit to set

us up for success in the future. July adjustments and processes to follow with in house talent.

Dr. Fialkiewicz read aloud that we have vacant positions open for the 2025-2026 school year and 2026-27 school year for: Substitute/Temporary Bus Drivers. We have vacant positions open for the 2026-2027 school year for 1.00 FTE 7th-12th Grade Spanish Teacher; Head Womens' Soccer Coach; JV Womens' Soccer Coach; JV Mens' Soccer Coach; JV Volleyball Coach; JV2 Volleyball Coach and Assistant Varsity Football Coach.

5.2. – 5.11 See 3.1

6. STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES REPORT TO THE BOARD

Leena Saied reported that on May 14 there was a MS/HS band concert and general awards. There has been mock elections and AP testing and underclassmen forecasting for next year's classes. Track meets on May 20 and May 23. Assembly is upcoming. Olivia Young reported softball win over Warrenton on May 19 and baseball won too. Seniors last day is May 21 and other students have their last day, half a day, on May 29. Graduation is June 1.

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8:46 p.m.

7. TRANSPORTATION

Todd Williams, Transportation Supervisor, reported on Bus 17, as in the Board packet. Bus 17 is being used as a route bus through the end of school on May 29. The dollar of the bus is yearly deduction and dollar for dollar. Over \$500 for decision on scrapping and donating.

Board discussion on extension of timeline and driving of electric bus and DEQ grant and donation or scrapping of bus 17, with discretion to the administration.

Mr. Williams said that Western Bus has submitted our paperwork, but no decision yet. Lots of schools are in the same boat. We do not have a working charger at this point, but hope for repairs this summer and use in the fall. EPA award already done.

Dr. Fialkiewicz noted that it is part of EPA, not the grant, and appeal is through May 31. Sis Childs moved and Malinda Carlson seconded:

RESOLUTION NO. 5.135-26 — RESOLVED that the Board approved disposal of Bus 17 through donation to a scrap or salvage facility at our earliest convenience, or through a sale at auction on June 27, or through other surplus means in accordance with EPA Clean School Bus Program requirements and board policy.

The vote of the Board was 5-0.

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8. POLICY

Presenter: Derek Fialkiewicz, Ed.D., Superintendent

First Read of Policies and AR's Information/Discussion Items

a. no information at this meeting.

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8.1. MOU between SSCA and CSD Action Item

Derek Fialkiewicz, Ed.D., Superintendent – this is for the garden and access parameters for every year.

Board discussion on great partnership and renewing of something done in the past.

Sis Childs moved and Zac Arndt seconded:

RESOLUTION NO. 5.136-26 - RESOLVED that the Board approved the MOU between Springdale School Community Association and Corbett School District.

The vote of the Board was 5-0.

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9. Matters for the Good of the Order

- a. Sis Childs noted her frosh granddaughter completed her first world history AP exam as a 4.0 GPA student, and she felt she did well. It is amazing to see 14 year olds shine on a four-hour exam.

Sis has volunteered doing K-1 Diebels assessments of over 120 students at the beginning, middle and end of year and has also seen reading growth, very exciting.

- b. Dr. Fialkiewicz used to grade for College Board and students who sit through the whole exam are three times more likely to graduate on time. We are setting our students up for success.

10. COMING EVENTS

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Derek Fialkiewicz, Ed.D., Superintendent read aloud:

- a. Monday, May 25, 2026 - Memorial Day Holiday, no school
- b. Thursday, May 28, 2026 - CAPS/MS Portfolio night (Conference in eve)
- c. Friday, May 29, 2026 - Last day of school, 12:30 p.m. dismissal
- d. Monday, June 1, 2026 - Staff Recognition Breakfast, Assessment all grades, CHS Graduation – email forthcoming.
- e. Tuesday, June 2, 2026 - Teacher Preparation
- f. Wednesday, June 17, 2026 - Public Hearing of the 2026-27 Budget/Regular Board meeting, 7:00 p.m. CMS Cafeteria / ZOOM Owl
- g. Thursday, September 24, OSBA Fall Regional Dinner/Meeting, Time and Place TBD
- h. June 10, Special School Board meeting.

- 11. ADJOURNMENT- 9:05 p.m.