

**African American/Black
Student Success Plan
Advisory Committee
(AABSS)**

April 15, 2026

9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

Tina Kotek, Governor

Dr. Charlene Williams
Director of the Oregon
Department of Education
Deputy Superintendent
of Public Instruction

Michael Essien
Assistant Superintendent of the
Office of Equity, Diversity, and
Inclusion

Jennifer Donovan
Director of Student Success Plans
Office of Equity, Diversity, and
Inclusion

April Negrette.
African American/Black Student
Success Coordinator
Office of Equity, Diversity, and
Inclusion

Time	Agenda Item	Details
9:00 a.m.	Welcome and Review Agenda & Norms Renee Anderson, Chair	
9:05 a.m.	Ice Breaker Damien Pitts, Vice Chair	<i>Community Building</i>
9:15 a.m.	Advisory Recruitment Timeline April Negrette, AABSS Coordinator	<i>Informational</i>
9:45 a.m.	Community Announcements	<i>Informational</i>
9:50 a.m.	ODE Announcements Jenny Donovan, Director of SSPs Michael Essien, Assistant Superintendent of OEDI	<i>Informational</i>
10:00 a.m.	Elevate Oregon Kesha Roper, Deputy Director at Elevate Oregon	<i>Grantee Presentation</i>
10:30 a.m.	Multitudes of Mercies Foundation KaTrena Shirrel, Asst. CEO & General Manager at Multitude of Mercies	<i>Grantee Presentation</i>
11:00 a.m.	Adjourn Renee Anderson, Chair	

Next Meeting: Online – May 20, 2026, 9 a.m. – 11 a.m.