

# Bard Briefs



HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE **APRIL 19, 2018** BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

## ► Superintendent and Board Recognition

The Superintendent and Board recognized student and staff accomplishments at school sites and the District. The entire list can be found in the agenda packet here: <https://powayusd.com/PUSD/media/Board-Images/BoardAgendas/2018/04-19-18-Board-Agenda.pdf>

- Dr. Phelps highlighted PUSD student teams competing nationally, including robotics, Odyssey of the Mind, and DECA
- 2018 California Distinguished Schools: **Monterey Ridge Elementary, Park Village Elementary, and Willow Grove Elementary**
- PUSD Classified Employees of the Year: **Shelley Porter**, Sunset Hills Elementary; **Michele Cass**, Alternative Education
- PUSD Teachers of the Year: **Ana Collins**, Valley Elementary; **Shantel Raquel**, Del Sur Elementary; **Katie Wu**, Westview High School

## ► The Board approved two upcoming special meetings

- Board Budget Workshop for Tuesday, April 24 at 10am to 2pm
- Special Board Meeting for LCAP on Tuesday, June 5 at 4:30pm

## ► Excellence in Education Video

This month's video highlights the partnership with Mission Federal Credit Union to bring the "Mission2Save" program to five PUSD elementary schools to teach young children how to deposit and save money.

WATCH IT HERE: <https://youtu.be/xGdXSxFijVE>

Interns Noelle Betz, Zach Camerino, Seth Dacio, Sabrina Darian, and Nathan Xia were thanked by Superintendent Phelps for their excellent work during the school year.

## ► Student Board Representative Reports

For the 2017-18 school year, the six student representatives are alternating months, with three attending each board meeting. This month we heard reports from Poway, Rancho Bernardo, and Westview. The students from Abraxas, Del Norte, and Mt. Carmel will give their next reports at the May 10<sup>th</sup> meeting.

- **Sean Fallon** (Poway HS): Every 15 Minutes DUI Assembly well received by students, Poway High Robotics Team Spyder in Houston for World Robotics Championships, Poway High Dance Team brought back national titles, Amber Hoffman placed first in solo, Poway High officially now part of ADL Anti-Defamation League pending completion of culture week "Know my story, not my stereotype," Earth Day campaign to help clean up campus, wrestling team sent over ten athletes to State championship
- **Sydney Roberts** (Rancho Bernardo HS): RB Band performed in Carnegie Hall during Spring Break, Best Buddies Ball for special needs students at RB Inn, Silver Star Awards, Robotics team made it to world championship for first time, Juniors began CAASPP testing, new hydration stations for campus, roller hockey CIF champs, wrestler Jaden Abas state wrestling champ, prom reveal next week, AP testing May 5<sup>th</sup>, teacher and staff appreciation in May, spring musical Mary Poppins, improv troupe doing joint performance with Mt. Carmel

- **Adrienne McWilliams** (Westview HS): annual Disneyland trip for seniors, No Place for Hate Week shattering stereotypes and discussing tolerance and acceptance, 8<sup>th</sup> grade family night for incoming freshman, staff appreciation week at the beginning of April, “Legally Blonde” musical huge success, improvisation team placed 3<sup>rd</sup> in Fullerton competition, band received unanimous superiors, ASB attended CASL conference for student leaders, spring musical festival for first week of May, Spring Club rush, Spring sports underway, Christina Scherr selected as Athletic Trainer of the Year

#### ► **Public Comments**

The Board heard comments from the public regarding:

- Arming school security personnel
- Establishing school safety task force for District
- Additional school counselors to address student mental health
- New facilities fee structure
- Concern over past board members’ and administrators’ behavior
- Asking for transparency for past and present issues

#### ► **College Bound Presentation**

College Bound PUSD is a program offered to secondary students in support of District goals in college and career readiness. Student and staff representatives presented data and testimony on addressing the achievement gap among underrepresented students within PUSD.

#### ► **Authorization to increase school meal prices**

The Board of Education approved a resolution “Authorization to increase school meal prices by \$0.25 per meal for the 2018-19 school year. The increase would not affect free and reduced meal prices. The increase will provide revenues to maintain current programs, avoid encroaching on the General Fund, and help build back operating reserves.

#### ► **2018 Summer Facilities Projects**

Director of Facilities Chad Koster gave a presentation on upcoming summer facilities projects. There is a focus on safety, asset protection, and energy savings. Project Focus Areas include paving repairs of playgrounds and parking lots, rubberized play surfaces, roofing systems, HVAC, Flooring, athletic facilities, energy savings, and safety improvements.

#### ► **Summary of School Nutrition Program Administrative Review (Audit)**

The CDE is required to conduct a comprehensive review of school nutrition program once every three years. The review resulted in zero errors, no findings, and five commendations.

#### ► **School Lunch Hero & School Nutrition Employee Week**

The Board approved a resolution acknowledging School Lunch Hero Day on May 4, 2018 and School Nutrition Employee Week – May 7 through 11, 2018.

#### ► **National PTA Teacher Appreciation Week**

The Board approved a resolution entitled, Acknowledgement of National PTA Teacher Appreciation Week, May 7-11, 2018.

#### ► **California Classified School Employee Week**

The Board approved a resolution entitled, Acknowledgement of California Classified School Employee Week – May 20 - 26, 2018.

► **CSBA Bylaws for Student Board Members**

The Board adopted and accepted the revisions to CSBA Board bylaws 9150 for student board members. Applications for candidates are due Friday, April 20. Per the adopted policy, a committee of two board members, current student board member, and Superintendent will select the next student board member.

► **CSBA Board Policies**

The Board approved the adoption of CSBA Board Policies 6000 Series – Instruction – with a revision to the homework policy to consider benefits to students.

► **Next regular meeting:**

**Thursday, May 10, 2018** in the District Office (6 p.m.)

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