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HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE **JANUARY 19, 2016** BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

► **Moment of Silence for Alicia Wolf of Abraxas High School.**

- Board President Michelle O'Connor-Ratcliff shared thoughts from Alicia's husband about her passing and the joy his wife found in her work with Abraxas' Transition Program staff and students.

► **Superintendent and Board Recognize School and District**

- Dr. Collins' gave a tribute to Associate Superintendent of Personnel Support Services, **Tracy Hogarth**, following the announcement of her retirement from PUSD.
- The Superintendent and Board recognized student and employee accomplishments at school sites and the District. The entire text can be found in the agenda packet. Among those in attendance in the audience were:
 - **Meadowbrook Middle School's** "Tye Dye Dragons," who won the first LEGO league competition.
 - **Jamie Walsh from Rolling Hills**, who was chosen for Northrop Grumman Foundation Teachers Academy.

► **Reports from Student Board Representatives**

- **Samantha Tran** (DNHS) college night, AVID field trip to CSULB, choir requiem performance, basketball best buddies day, Winter Formal to raise money for Make-a-Wish, staff basketball game fundraiser, No Place for Hate (human relations conference and special assembly)
- **Jennifer Welch** (MCHS) Drama getting ready for "Les Miserables" musical, choir requiem and Valentine's Day concert, Band winter concert, nominated for CIS battle of the fans, track season starting
- **Simon Shapiro** (PHS) AVID trip to colleges, Legacy News for broadcast students, Coach Trousdale record win, gearing up for Chelsea's Run, School Musical "Anything Goes"
- **Jalen Rasoul** (RBHS) Winter dance, band all-state honors, spread the word to end the "R" word, career week, No Hate Week
- **Ella Smith** (WHS) fashion show "Time Warp", ASB granting altruistic wishes, National Counselor Appreciation Week, Winter Lights formal, "Into the Woods" production, Water Polo league champions, mock trial and speech and debate state tournaments, recognition of Black History Month

► **New App**

- Christine Paik and Rich Newman presented the new Poway Unified School District App, downloadable free in iTunes store and Google Play. Expect a full-scale district-wide launch after the February break.

► **Initial Proposals for PSEA and SEIU and PFT**

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HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE **FEBRUARY 9, 2016** BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

► **ITEM C – Public Comments**

The Board heard comments from the public regarding:

- AB1266 Transgender student participation based on gender identity
- Friends of the Library
- Dyslexia
- How technology is impacting learning
- Advisor stipend for robotics program

► **Associate Superintendents' Contracts**

- 3 to 2 vote not to approve
- Changes will be submitted to attorney for revision; further discussion in closed session in March

► **Presentation for 2016 Special Tax Bonds Improvement Area C of CFD#15 (Del Sur East)**

► **Future meetings:**

Regular Meeting:

Tuesday, March 8th in the District Office (6 p.m.)

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