

Bard Briefs



HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE MARCH 21, 2017 BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

► Superintendent and Board Recognize School and District

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:

<http://powayusd.com/PUSD/media/Board-Images/BoardAgendas/2017/0-Agenda-3-21-2017-Board-Meeting.pdf>

► Student Work Showcase

Every month, we will showcase a school by bringing students' work, including writing, art, and photography to board meetings. The glass showcase in the District Office lobby currently features some of the award-winning pieces of Aaron Jaffe and Kristine Adam's students at Mt. Carmel High School.

Aaron and his students talked about providing an authentic experience through the arts, including storytelling with photography as well as incorporating their own interpretation into the medium.

► Excellence in Education Video: Studio 701

Watch it here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Hvy-QEchIco>

This month's episode focuses on the student interns behind these monthly videos. Studio 701 is currently recruiting interns for the 2017-18 school year. For more information contact cpaik@powayusd.com

Studio 701 is a PUSD internship for advanced digital media/broadcast students who are producing professional quality videos highlighting the ways the District is supporting its mission of college and career readiness.

► Everyday Heroes Awards

Everyday Heroes honors classified employees who demonstrate excellence in work performance, school and community involvement, and leadership and commitment to our District and students.

- **Kevin Ashwell**, Campus Security Specialist, Westview High School
- **Gale Ching**, Instructional Assistant II Special Education, Abraxas High School
- **Sarah Cockrell**, School Administrative Assistant - Elementary, Midland Elementary School
- **Gabriel Jauregui**, Instructional Assistant I, Special Education, Black Mountain Middle School
- **Carol LeClair**, Instructional Assistant Physical Education, Deer Canyon Elementary School
- **Courtney Davis Martin**, Professional Learning Coordinator, PSEA
- **Alycia Mata**, Instructional Assistant II Special Education, Willow Grow Elementary School
- **Kyle McFarland**, Bus Transportation Aide, Transportation Department
- **Gene Morris**, Campus Security Specialist, Poway High School
- **Wade Morris**, Lead Extended Services Assistant, Sunset Hills Elementary School
- **Karen Richcreek**, Instructional Assistant II Special Education, Mesa Verde Middle School

► TeamPUSD Awards

Team PUSD is designed to recognize an admirable team of employees, who together accomplish an exceptional task or project. The recognition is for two or more classified and/or certificated individuals who have made a significant contribution to the benefit of PUSD, an individual, his or her work site, the community, or other volunteer or service organization.

- **Jeff Walker**, Custodial Supervisor; **Ramon Mahilum**, Custodian; **Noel Lopez**, Custodian; **Paul Sweeney**, Lead Custodian; **Irma Ortiz**, Custodian; **Laura Sweeney**, Substitute Custodian - Oak Valley Middle School
- **Janice Teixeira**, **Joe Ismay**, **Joe Gizzo** - Teachers, Meadowbrook Middle School
- **Marly Ramos**, Parent Liaison, MDES/TPMS; **Rafael Lopez**, Parent Liaison, PHS; **Laura Upson**,

Parent Liaison, Family Learning Center; **Rosario Hansen**, Parent Liaison, PMES; **Margarita Velasquez**, Parent Liaison, MBMS; **Laura Gonzalez-Garcia**, Parent Liaison, VES

- **Robbie Bowers**, Athletic Trainer RBHS; **Christina Scherr**, Athletic Trainer WHS
- **Linda Meloney**, Testing Supervisor; **Pauline Moroz**, Data and Assessment Technician; **Noli Motos**, Data and Assessment Technician; **Michele Crabtree**, Data and Assessment Technician; **Linda Campos**, Data and Assessment Technician; **Zoe Ng**, Senior Information System Support Analyst, Learning Support Services, Testing Department

► **Safe Haven Resolution**

The Board of Education voted to pass the CSBA Safe Haven Resolution which states that the District will provide all children equal access to education regardless of immigration status.

► **ITEM C – PUBLIC COMMENTS**

The Board heard comments from the public regarding:

- Passage of a Safe Haven Resolution
- Concerns over mindfulness movement in schools
- Focus on encouraging more students to attend PUSD
- Upcoming choir and band/orchestra festivals
- Upcoming Bus Driver Appreciation Day breakfast on April 25th

► **School Bus Drivers' Day Resolution**

The Board approved a resolution declaring Tuesday, April 25, 2017, as School Bus Drivers' Day. PUSD bus drivers transport over 3,500 students a day and drive over two million miles annually, in a safe, professional, and competent manner.

► **Future meetings**

Regular Meetings:

Tuesday, April 25, 2017 in the District Office (6 p.m.)

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