

# Bard Briefs



HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE NOVEMBER 9, 2017 BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

► **Moments of Silence for Students**

- For Isabella and Cristos Lopez, Sunset Hills Elementary School
- For Madi Taylor, Poway High School

► **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: <https://powayusd.com/PUSD/media/Board-Images/BoardAgendas/2017/0-11-9-2017-Board-Agenda.pdf>

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

- **Maria Amaya, Administrative Assistant II, Special Education**
- **Michele Cass, Administrative Assistant II, New Directions**
- **Aaron Davis, Lead Custodian, Midland Elementary School**
- **Beth Engstrom, School Administrative Assistant-Elementary, Painted Rock Elementary School**
- **Cheri Gracey, ESS Supervisor, Sunset Hills Elementary**
- **Angela Keirn, Office Specialist, Preschool Department**
- **Myra Prather, ESS Supervisor, Stone Ranch ESS**

► **TEAM PUSD** is designed to recognize an admirable team of employees, who together accomplish an exceptional task or project. The recognition is for a group of two or more classified and/or certificated individuals who have made a significant contribution.

- **Phil Medved, Vehicle Maintenance Supervisor and Kristopher Contino, Assistant Mechanic – Transportation Department**
- **Kimberly Carroll, High School Registrar, Westview; Teresa Small, Attendance Accounting Assistant III, Ranch Bernardo; Nancy Schiffer, School Administrative Assistant, Poway High; Nancy Brundrett, Instructional Assistant II, Highland Ranch; Bonnie Loparo, Instructional Assistant II, Westwood; Robby Boyd, Health Services Technician, Stone Ranch; Heather Barnard, Health Services Technician, Del Sur; Monique Cordeau, School Administrative Assistant, Black Mountain; Shelley Fleming, Library Media Technician, Park Village; Janet Crews, Department Operations Technician, Maintenance and Operations; Cris Rollins, School Administrative Assistant, Valley Elementary School**
- **Hilary Cuevas-Balanon, TOSA, Learning Support Services; Stephanie Martin, TOSA, Learning Support Services; Kristin Thomas, TOSA, Learning Support Services; Vickie Carroll, TOSA, Learning Support Services**

## ► Student Board Representative Reports

For the 2017-18 school year, the six student representatives will alternate months, with three attending each board meeting. This month we heard reports from Abraxas High, Del Norte High, and Mt. Carmel High. The students from Poway High, Rancho Bernardo High, and Westview High will give their next reports at the December 14<sup>th</sup> meeting.

- **Alec Cito** (Abraxas) Introduced himself as a student in the Transition Program, learning important life skills and working at job sites, including Home Goods, Walgreens, Salvation Army, and Armstrong Garden, many students participated in Jack-O-Smash (Transition Program is a beneficiary of Jack-O-Smash); the leadership class hosted its second blood drive, will perform holiday concert at senior apartments, garden has produced 2,500 pounds of food to Friends and Family Community Connections, November 16<sup>th</sup> dedication of fruit tree orchard
- **Jordan Dixon** (Del Norte) College representatives have been visiting campus and seniors working hard on applications, 7 scholar-athletes participated in signing day, students are studying hard for finals next week; new classrooms being built at back of school, DECA attended career development conference, cyber security placed first in nationals, and ASB students attended No Place for Hate conference, Red Ribbon Week, Food Drive, performing arts putting on many successful productions, recognized students as Faces of the Flock instead of traditional homecoming court
- **Alliyah Gardea** (Mt. Carmel) Mt. Carmel hosted all-inclusive homecoming, with highest attendance in last ten years, senior night wrapping up fall sports, hosted over 40 bands at band tournament, Importance of Being Earnest play, Keith Hawkins returned for underclassmen retreat

## ► Public Comments

The Board heard comments from the public regarding:

- PUSD Adopt A Family Program needs help serving 500 families. The program recently lost its largest donor. Contact [pusdadoptfamily@gmail.com](mailto:pusdadoptfamily@gmail.com) to participate.
- Consider later start times for school

## ► Presentation and Public Hearing: To select a map establishing trustee areas

Note: The selected Map will be used only for next two elections: 2018 and 2020, then redrawn after 2020 census

-17 additional maps were submitted since last hearing on October 12<sup>th</sup>

-148 public comments emails received regarding maps

-Criteria to consider: Federal Laws: Equal population, Federal Voting Rights Act, No Racial Gerrymandering and Traditional Criteria: Communities of interest, compact and contiguous, visible boundaries, respect for voters' wishes and continuity

-CA law limits PUSD to elections at large, from area, or by area. Only by-district elections protect the District from a California Voting Rights Act lawsuit

Public Speakers:

-Against Map 112

-Six speakers in favor of Map 121

-Two in favor of 127 and 131

-Two in favor of 109

-In favor of continuity on Board

-One in favor of 130

**Board Voted 3-2 to Adopt Map 131**

**Election Sequencing: Districts A & E in 2020; Districts B, C, D in 2018**

**Next, the map will go to the County Committee on School District Organization for a hearing and vote**

► **California School Dashboard –Local Indicators**

PUSD is meeting each of the four priority areas identified in the Local Control Funding Formula (LCFF): Basic Services, Implementation of State Academic Standards, Parent Engagement, and School Climate. This progress will be reported through the California School Dashboard.

► **Proposed Student District Calendar for 2018-19 Approved**

Members of the District-wide Calendar Committee jointly proposed a calendar for the 2018-19 school year. It will be brought back to the Board for approval at the December meeting.

**Start of School 8/22/18**

**End of School 6/13/19**

For the full calendar, you can view it here, page 83: <https://powayusd.com/PUSD/media/Board-Images/BoardAgendas/currentBoardPacket.pdf>

► **Formation of new Poway Strategic Planning Technology Committee**

The Technology and Innovation Department announces the formation of a new committee that will serve in an advisory capacity to Dr. Phelps by developing the new PUSD Technology Plan for 2018-2020. The committee will meet up to five times this fiscal year. Membership will be comprised of various stakeholder groups. Applications will be accepted in November. The first meeting will take place in December, and the plan will be presented in early Spring 2018.

► **Excellence in Education Video: World Music Program at Highland Ranch Elementary**

**Watch it here:** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ifpvj12ZdBE&t=52s>

This month's episode focuses on the new world music program at Highland Ranch Elementary School, to increase cultural awareness and exposure to music education. These videos are produced by student interns with Studio 701. *Studio 701 is a PUSD internship for advanced digital media/broadcast students who are producing videos highlighting the ways the District is supporting its mission of college and career readiness.*

► **Future meetings**

Regular Meetings:

**Thursday, December 14, 2017** in the District Office (6 p.m.)

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