

Bard Briefs



HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE **JUNE 28, 2018** BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

► **Moment of Silence**

President Zane led a moment of silence in honor of Food & Nutrition worker Elaine Meadows, a member of the Painted Rock Elementary School family, who passed away earlier this month. He shared these words from Principal Denise Davis: “Elaine was a dedicated employee, a hard worker, and deeply cared for the children and staff at Painted Rock. She will be sorely missed by all who knew and loved her.”

► **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](#) (pages 375-379)

- Among those highlighted were: PUSD’s National Merit Scholars, California Honor Roll schools, and Abraxas High’s National Garden Club award
- Mihir Konkapaka, 2nd grader at Morning Creek Elementary School, was presented with the National Thomas Edison Award from AT&T’s Inventors Challenge. His digital checklist invention, the “Checklistinator,” is a device that attaches to a backpack to help students remember everything they need at school. June 27, 2018 was declared Mihir Konkapaka Day in the City of San Diego. You can watch his video entry [here](#).

► **Excellence in Education video**

The final “Excellence in Education” video from our Studio 701 interns gives us a behind-the-scenes look at Northrop Grumman’s partnership with PUSD to bring hands-on learning in STEM fields through their high school internship program. **WATCH =>** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vZKkUzjnQ10&t=52s>
(A big congratulations and thank you to our 2017-18 digital media interns: Noelle Betz, Zach Camerino, Seth Dacio, Sabrina Darian, and Nathan Xia)

► **Student Board Representative Reports**

For the 2017-18 school year, the six representatives alternated months, with the students attending every other board meeting. This month we heard reports from Rancho Bernardo and Westview High Schools.

-Sydney Roberts (Rancho Bernardo HS) RB End-of-Year activities: In May held Staff Appreciation week, prom at Natural History Museum “Night of the Museum” theme, choir performed Broadway and Silver Screen, dance had three nights of shows, Royal Regiment performed at Escondido, Orchestra collaborated with photography students for showcase, variety of awards nights, two weeks of testing, end of year celebration assembly to honor retiring staff and graduating seniors, awarded No Place for Hate banner, 4 out of 8 CIF wins, volleyball competed in state championship, new Bronco ambassadors chosen, registration coming up in August and Freshman Bronco camp, thankful for update to improvement in technology and security cameras

-Adrienne McWilliams (Westview) last months have been very busy and memorable: ASB hosted 2nd annual spring music festival to relax before AP testing, Pacific Paradise themed prom, endless summer pep rally, Beach Boys tribute band, class presidents elected, hosted election fair, student vs. staff volleyball, beginning preparations for next year, all District ASB retreat coming up, band, orchestra and color guard spring show, choir showcase “What if,” dance group “I Am” show, Bollywood themed show, Filipino show, Variety show, and Improv show, football fundraiser

► **Public Comments**

The Board heard comments from the public regarding:

- Parent recognizing various teachers in alternative education pathway and at Poway High and the role they played in her children's success
- Parent's experience enrolling child with the help of Dr. Phelps
- Need for PUSD Safety Committee and need to bring community together on issue of safety
- Progress in advocacy for dyslexia and successful PUSD dyslexia night, need for committee and leadership
- Several speakers (parents, staff, principals, and PFT president) in support for extending Dr. Phelps' contract and thanking her for the change she's enacted in the past year
- Need for teacher and lack of ongoing instruction in home teaching program

► **Approval of the Employment Agreement between PUSD and the Superintendent**

The Board has completed the Superintendent's evaluation for the 2017-18 school year, and she received a rating above satisfactory. The Board voted to extend the Superintendent's contract for an additional year to the term of three years.

► **New District Leadership Approved**

A warm PUSD welcome to the following hires:

Carol Osborne as the new Associate Superintendent of Learning Support Services

Greg Mizel as the new Assistant Superintendent of Student Support Services

Bryan Schultz as the new Principal at Del Norte High School

Brian Morris as the new Director of Human Resources

Trevor Wilson as the new Director of Risk Management

► **Adoption of 2018-19 Proposed Budget**

Total Revenues: \$394,785,897

Total Expenditures: \$393,732,170

Reserve Ending Balance: \$52,010,621

Reserve Level: 12.7%

The Board approved the budget with a positive certification that Poway Unified School District is able to meet its financial obligations for the new fiscal year and subsequent two fiscal years.

► **Approval of Annual Special Taxes (Mello-Roos) for CFDs 1-16**

The Board approved the annual levy of a special tax to pay for the costs and expenses related to each Community Facilities District (CFD) and Improvement Areas (IA) as authorized by the Mello-Roos Act. PUSD property tax information can be found [here](#).

► **Public Hearing & Approval of Increase in Fees on Development Projects**

The Board approved collecting \$3.79 per square foot for residential construction and \$0.61 per square foot for commercial/residential construction. Currently the District collects \$3.48/\$0.56. Implementation will begin no less than 60 days from the date of the resolution or on August 27, 2018 in order to provide notification to appropriate governmental agencies and construction developers.

► **Award of Design Contract for Oak Valley Middle School Classroom Additions and Authorization to issue RFP for Lease-Leaseback Construction Services Proposal**

Enrollment at Oak Valley Middle School currently exceeds the school's optimum facility capacity of 1,354 students. Enrollment is forecasted to peak at 1,547 students in the 2022-23 school year. The Board awarded a design services contract for classroom additions to HMC Architects and authorized the issuance for a request for proposal for lease-leaseback construction services.

► Approval of PUSD Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP) for 2018-19

Based on stakeholder input, PUSD staff developed the District's Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP), supporting PUSD's five goals:

1. Support high-quality teachers in their implementation of an articulated California standards-based curriculum, instruction, and assessment to ensure College and Career Readiness and Citizenship for all students, TK-12.
2. Create systems and structures that provide multiple pathways of learning and engagement to increase College and Career Readiness of our students and close the achievement gaps for all subgroups.
3. Strengthen safe, healthy, positive, and attractive learning environment and experiences for all learners.
4. Increase student and parent engagement in learning through enhanced community involvement, two-way communication, and partnerships with community businesses.
5. Develop, implement, and embed a collaborative learning structure and system for adults and students to increase student achievement.

A copy of the draft LCAP is available for public viewing on the [PUSD website](#) and in the Administration Center.

► School Accountability Report Card (SARC)

All public schools receiving state funding to prepare and distribute a School Accountability Report Card (SARC). Each SARC must be updated annually with data from the previous year. The purpose of the report card is to provide parents and the community with important information about each public school. The SARCs for all PUSD schools can be found [here](#).

► Public Hearing & Approval of the 2018-19 Plan for the Special Education Local Plan Area (SELPA)

The Board approved the annual service plan and annual budget plan to be incorporated in the PUSD's local plan for special education.

► Special Education Community Advisory Committee Annual Report

The committee's purpose is to advise the District on the local plan after reviewing it in the May meeting. Have seen growth in membership and interest in changes coming to special education.

► Designate Garden Road Elementary as Title 1 School

Federal Title 1 provides financial assistance to local educational agencies and schools with high numbers or high percentages of children from low-income families to help ensure that all children meet challenging state academic standards. Beginning July 1, 2018, Title 1 funds will be allocated to Garden Road Elementary, joining Pomerado, Midland, Los Penasquitos, and Valley Elementary Schools as Title 1 schools.

► Student Scholarship Report

PUSD students have competed successfully for dozens of local and national scholarship awards, accepting nearly \$24 million in scholarships. The totals below include military academy scholarships. Scholarship amounts are self-reported by students to school sites and may not include all scholarships. Congratulations to all!

High School	Total Amount Accepted
Abraxas	\$16,650
Del Norte	\$5,871,823
Mt. Carmel	\$2,669,656
Poway	\$2,440,116
Rancho Bernardo	\$5,654,499
Westview	\$7,173,107

► **Final Board Meeting for 2017-18 Student Board Member**

The Board presented outgoing Student Board Member Shaina Mishra with a gift of appreciation and thanked her for her service. Shaina, who graduated from Rancho Bernardo High School in June, will attend UC Santa Cruz as a computer science major.

► **Future meetings**

Regular Meetings:

Thursday, August 9, 2018 in the District Office (6 p.m.)

The following regular board meeting dates were approved for 2019:

Thursday, January 17, 2019

Thursday, February 14, 2019

Thursday, March 14, 2019

Thursday, April 11, 2019

Thursday, May 9, 2019

Thursday, June 6, 2019

Thursday, June 27, 2019

Thursday, August 8, 2019

Thursday, September 12, 2019

Thursday, October 10, 2019

Thursday, November 14, 2019

Thursday, December 12, 2019

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