

Bard Briefs

HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE **SEPTEMBER 13, 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/2018/09-13-2018-Board-Agenda.pdf>

Tonight's meeting highlighted 2018 District Classified Employees of the Year, Teachers of the Year, and Volunteers of the Year, as well as California Distinguished Schools:

- **Shelley Porter** - Library Media Technician at Sunset Hills Elementary School and **Michele Cass** - Alternative Programs Administrative Assistant, were recognized as the two District Classified Employees of the Year for 2018.
- **Ana Collins** – Resource Specialist at Valley Elementary School, **Shantel Raquel** – 2/3 Teacher at Del Sur Elementary School, and **Katie Wu** – English Teacher at Westview High School, were recognized as the three District Teachers of the Year for 2018.
- **Krissa Jensen** – Black Mountain Middle School, **Tom McFadden** – Mt. Carmel High School, and **Andrea & Roger Mitchell** – Canyon View Elementary School, were recognized as the District Volunteers of the Year for 2018.
- **Monterey Ridge, Park Village, and Willow Grove** Elementary Schools were recognized as recipients of the California Distinguished Schools award under the California Department of Education's Distinguished Schools program.

► Student Board Representative Reports

For the 2018-19 school year, the six representatives will alternate months, with the students attending every other board meeting. This month we heard reports from Poway, Rancho Bernardo, and Westview High Schools. The students from Abraxas, Del Norte, and Mt. Carmel High Schools will give their next reports at the October 11th meeting.

- **Sean Fallon** (Poway HS): Sean thanked the former PHS administration for their years of service, and remarked on a positive and supportive vibe with the new administration, teachers' excitement is rubbing off on students, resurgence in school spirit, with over 1,000 students attending lunchtime rally, provided free spirit shirt for every student and staff to unite the campus as Titan Family, thanked PTSA and Foundation for hard work and support, noted Poway Days parade participation including Titan Ambassadors, Emerald Brigade, Dance Team
- **Sydney Roberts** (Rancho Bernardo HS): ASB is focused on Back to School and homecoming, Sept. 22nd annual pancake breakfast, robotics team already won their first competition of the year, successful club rush, held kick-off party for first football game, welcomed seven new teachers, held school wide moment of silence and placed flags around campus for 9/11, back to school night well attended by parents, Bronco beach planned for center of campus, brainstorming mental health awareness events
- **Carter Kane** (Westview HS): New freshman greeted for back to school by LINK crew and Willy Wonka themed rally, welcomed a large number of new staff and faculty, staff will participate in anti-bias training for upcoming staff development day, Westview sending several representatives to No Place for Hate conference, proud of Jake Schwartz, performing arts division in high gear, homecoming theme "Rock Around the Jukebox," offered thanks to Principal Ziegler for her support

► **Public Comments**

The Board heard comments from the public regarding:

- PUSD Safety Committee work and PUSD participation in the Poway Days Parade
- Beginning of year traffic challenges near Poway High and this week is National Arts in Education Week
- Concern over weed control products
- Support for Dyslexia Awareness resolution

► **Dyslexia Awareness Month**

The Board approved a resolution proclaiming October 2018 as Dyslexia Awareness Month, wherein the District commits to providing early assessment and the ongoing interventions needed to support the academic success of all students, including those with Dyslexia.

► **School Bus Replacement Program**

The Board approved a resolution authorizing application to the California Energy Commission's School Bus Replacement Program to replace old diesel buses with electric buses.

► **National School Lunch Week**

The Board approved a resolution acknowledging National School Lunch Week – October 15-19, 2018.

► **Homecoming Fireworks**

The Board approved fireworks displays at high schools for 2018-19 Homecoming events.

► **Character Counts! And Red Ribbon Week**

The Board approved a resolution proclaiming October 22-26, 2018 as Character Counts! And Red Ribbon Week for Alcohol, Tobacco, and Other Drugs Prevention.

► **Future meetings**

Regular Meetings:

Thursday, October 11, 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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