

Bard Briefs

HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE FEBRUARY 13, 2020 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 beginning on page 102 in the agenda packet here:

<https://powayusd.com/PUSD/media/Board-Images/BoardAgendas/2020/02-13-2020-Board-Agenda.pdf>

Among those highlighted:

- Superintendent Phelps recognized Dr. Jennifer Burks, Associate Superintendent of Technology & Innovation and Scott Corso, Black Mountain Principal for being selected as Administrators of the Year by the Association of California School Administrators
- Superintendent Phelps recognized middle and high school students selected for California All State Honor Ensembles and several PUSD music educators who were awarded distinctions from the California Music Educators Association.
- Superintendent Phelps recognized Mt. Carmel teacher Lisa Chohany for being named “Turnaround Teacher” for the inaugural San Diego County Office of Education Equity Awards.

► Excellence in Education Series

For this month’s installment of the 2019-20 Excellence in Education Series, Studio 701 interns gave an inside look into a 2-day smartphone studios workshop for PUSD elementary and middle school students in Balboa Park, hosted by the CTE department, Apple, and “We Make Movies.”

WATCH IT HERE: <https://youtu.be/tkpmXSMg59s>

► Student Board Representative Reports

This school year, PUSD expanded student representative reports to include students not just from high schools, but middle and elementary schools as well. This month, we heard reports from Abraxas, Del Norte, Mt. Carmel High Schools, and Creekside Elementary School.

- **Jeremiah Convery** (Abraxas HS): Abraxas hosted a vendor fair for parents for services available to young adults with special needs, Transition library opening on March 9th, coffee cart business continuing, leadership students volunteering at Pomerado Elementary and Brookview Senior Center, winter harvest was bountiful with 400 pounds of broccoli and cauliflower, Evening with the Arts expo on March 16
- **Alexis Long and Jose Torres** (Del Norte HS): Jose will be taking over ASB president duties, students attended elective and course fair, seniors receiving college acceptances, freshman class planned week-long dodgeball tournament, including a team of teachers, raised money for leukemia lymphoma society in honor of classmate, students pre-registering to vote, See Something Say Something campaign by SAVE Promise Club, effective No Place for Hate Week including cultural club rush, will be raising money for underdeveloped countries, successful Mamma Mia musical theater production
- **Ethan Chen** (Creekside ES): Creekside using Sanford Harmony to build social-emotional skills, including buddy system in classrooms and works well with daily mindful moment, Gecko Run raised over \$45,000, the fastest student ran 3 miles in 20 minutes! A lot of leadership opportunities, including PAL, to help students with schoolwork, student news network, schoolwide science fair coming, in January celebrated the contributions of MLK, Jr., participated in Great Kindness Challenge

- **Sage Brant** (Mt. Carmel HS): musical Westside Story March 5-7 and 12-14, choir performing Valentine's Day concert tonight, flower grams for Valentine's Day, students created posters for , The Red Sea is competing for the Battle of the Fans, winter pep rally, and winter formal, winter sports teams doing well-several teams going to CIF playoffs

► **Public Comments**

The Board heard comments from the public regarding:

- Adobe Bluffs Lunar New Year – Kinder immersion and Mandarin Club students performed in Mandarin
- May 18, 2020 30th Anniversary Celebration Planned for Poway Center for the Performing Arts <https://pcpa30thcelebration.com/>
- Upcoming March 26th film screening and panel on the impact of social media, sponsored by PTA
- Outstanding arts programs and VAPA education in PUSD and future of Poway Center for the Performing Arst

► **Approval of Poway Unified School District Long Range Facilities Master Plan (LRFMP) 2020**

- Staff presented a Facilities Master Plan that identifies facility infrastructure needs at each school site based on the District's educational goals. The FMP will be the basis of prioritization of future facilities improvement decisions and capital upgrades. This follows a year-long process of engaging stakeholders through hundreds of meetings. You can view the plan on our website here: <https://powayusd.com/en-US/Departments/Business-Support/Facilities/Facilities-Master-Planning>

► **Approval of resolution No. 35-2020 acknowledging “National School Breakfast Week”**

- The Board approved a resolution proclaiming March 2-6, 2020 as National School Breakfast Week. It aims to highlight the link between eating a good breakfast and academic achievement.

► **Approval of the PSEA Unit I and II Three-Year Successor Agreement 2019-2022**

- The Board approved the ratification of the agreement, which includes a 3% wage increase: 0.5% effective July 1, 2018, 1.0% effective July 1, 2019, and 1.5% effective January 1, 2020. It also includes an additional paid holiday effective 2020-2021 school year for the day before Thanksgiving. Additional details of the agreement can be viewed on pages 72-94 of the Board agenda: <https://powayusd.com/PUSD/media/Board-Images/BoardAgendas/2020/02-13-2020-Board-Agenda.pdf>

► **Approval of the College and Career Access Pathways (CCAP) Agreement**

- The Board approved the CCAP Agreement between Palomar Community College District and Poway Unified School District, after hearing the first reading at the January 16, 2020 meeting. The agreement will provide dual enrollment opportunities to students, and aims to develop a pathway from high school to community college for career technical education or preparation for transfer.

► **Future meetings: Thursday, March 12, 2020**

The following regular board meeting dates were approved for 2020:

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| Thursday, April 23, 2020 | Thursday, September 10, 2020 |
| Thursday, May 14, 2020 | Thursday, October 15, 2020 |
| Thursday, June 4, 2020 | Thursday, November 12, 2020 |
| Thursday, June 25, 2020 | Thursday, December 17, 2020 |
| Thursday, August 13, 2020 | |

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